

MTPA SPRING MEETING

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

APRIL 27, 2013

**Keynote Address: Dr. John Pennington,
Middle Tennessee State University**

**Tricks the Mind Plays on the Tongue: How
Expectations Alter Our Perception of Taste**

Poster Session 1 (Second Floor South Lobby, 9:00 – 9:45 AM)

**OR Lab Tours and Study Participation (meet First Floor South Lobby, tour departs
9:00 AM)**

1. DJ Steffensen

Dr. Glenn Littlepage, Faculty Advisor

Middle Tennessee State University

Validation of a Situational Judgment Test Measuring Team Processes

2. Erin Brosey

Paul Turner, Faculty Advisor

Lipscomb University

The Benefits of Trust in Relation to College Adjustment

3. Kayleigh McKenna, Wendy Carballo

Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor

Middle Tennessee State University

The Effectiveness and Compliance of the Middle Tennessee Smoking Ban

4. Mason Goff, William Barr, Luke Ridings

Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor

Middle Tennessee State University

Brain Food: Nutritional Knowledge and Eating Behavior

5. Renchel Davis, Dominique Braden
Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
GPA and Happiness: Enemies or Friends?

6. Heather Bay, Elizabeth Serfass, Janet Moor
Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Women Shop, Men Buy

7. Austin Riley Finch, Stephen Schmidt, Ph.D.
Stephen Schmidt, Ph.D., Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Word Recall Disrupted by Emotional Carryover Effect

8. Melissa Millikan, Jonathan Driver, Jillian Hughes, Stephen Schmidt, Ph.D.
Stephen Schmidt, Ph.D., Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Working Memory Capacity and Inattentive Blindness in Individuals With and Without
ADD/ADHD

9. Andrew Hunt, Stephen Schmidt, Ph.D.
Stephen Schmidt, Ph.D., Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Memory for Unusual Events

10. Jessica Stidham, Caitlin Orman, Teresa Davis, Mary Ellen Fromuth
Teresa Davis, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Benefits, Drawbacks, and Faculty Perceptions of Custom Textbooks in General
Psychology Classes

11. Diamond Tucker, Mindy Buchanan, Morgan Bivins
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Possible Correlation Between Musical Preferences and Grades

Keynote Address (State Farm Room, 10:00 – 11:00 AM)

Oral Presentations (11:15 AM – 12:30 PM)

Room 260

11:15 Scott Benson, Tyler Strachan, Jonathan Driver, Dr. Thomas Brinthaupt
Dr. Thomas Brinthaupt, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
The Mediating Effects of Abstract Reasoning Ability on Mathematics Anxiety when
Measuring Mathematical Performance

11:30 Teresa S. Cunningham, Charles Grah
Charles Grah, Faculty Advisor
Austin Peay State University
The Relationship Between Optimism and Confidence Levels

11:45 Amanda Mills, Clint Chapman, Philip Crowder, Carly Vallentine
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Apples to Apples: Defining the Boundaries of Social Conformity

12:00 Amy Lambert, Danielle Horn, Mary Beth Gore, Craig Garrison
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Do Barnum Effects Influence Astrological Profiles?

Room 270

11:15 Brandon Hazlett, Colton Durham
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Does Gender Play a Role in Superstitious Behavior?

11:30 Holly Allen, Kristy Baleka, Michael Hatton
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Students and Pre-Exam Rituals

11:45 Elizabeth McInerney, Jessica Hatz
Jessica Hatz, Faculty Advisor
Austin Peay State University
Attitudes Towards Individuals with Mental Illnesses: A Survey of College Students

12:00 Emily Roddy, Kristan Moffitt
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Ideomotor Effects

12:15 Alyssa Gilbert, Amber Pogacsnik
Thomas Brinthaup, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
An Investigation of Formal Dance Training and its Effect on Emotional Intelligence and Non-Verbal Communication Accuracy

Room 272

11:15 Alesia Porter, Lauren Baskin, Kassidy Kominos
Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Sexual Behaviors and The Double Standard That Follows

11:30 Christine Elliott, Seth J. Marshall, Kari D. Harris, Patricia E. Steelman
Seth J. Marshall, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Relationship Between Nutrition and Executive Functioning Among College Students

11:45 Carolyn Brewer, Ellen Lovell, Kimah Beach
Thomas Brinthaup, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Peer-Mediated Intervention Effects on the Social Behavior of Toddlers with Developmental Delays

12:00 Holly Bryant, Megan Cariker, Bridget Snell, Mykesha Allen
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
The Staring Effect: Can You Feel It?

12:15 Austin Lewis, Bianca Tate, Marvin Hodge, Kara Wilson
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Metaphysical Correlations: Personality and Paranormal Belief

**Poster Session 2 (Second Floor South Lobby, 12:45 – 1:30 PM)
OR Interactive Psychology Education Advice (Room 272, 12:45 – 1:30 PM)**

- 1.** Jaymes Durriseau, Cyrille Magne
Cyrille Magne, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Electrophysiological Study of the Impact of Presentation Mode on Recall of Written Pseudowords
- 2.** Michael Pridmore¹, Cyrille Magne¹, Alexandra Key², Reyna Gordon², Miriam Lense²,
Elisabeth Dykens²
Cyrille Magne, Faculty Advisor
¹Middle Tennessee State University, ²Vanderbilt University
Neural Markers of Emotional Processing in Language and Music
- 3.** Nicole Brunas, Hannah Robertson, Michael Pridmore
Cyrille Magne, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Relationship Between Word Stress Sensitivity and Reading: An Electrophysiological Investigation
- 4.** Angela S Bowman
Dana Fuller, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
The Psychometric Properties of the Five-Facet Mindfulness Questionnaire in a Non-Clinical Population
- 5.** Amanda Mayo, Candace Cline, Libby Byers
Libby Byers, Faculty Advisor
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
A Mental Health Needs Assessment of the Homeless in Middle and East Tennessee
- 6.** Kacy Herald, Jessica Royster, Kayte Holden
Thomas Brinthaup, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Attitudes of Criminal Justice and Non-Criminal Justice Majors
- 7.** Sara Brown, Karla Jones
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Are Some People Unwilling to Tempt Fate?

8. Kendra Taylor, Omar McLendon
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Detecting Lies Within Handwriting

9. Jesus A. Garcia Francisco, Frank Badou, Christian D. Lenoir
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
The horoscope GOSPEL

10. Kirstin Tretter
William Langston, Faculty Advisor
Middle Tennessee State University
Ideomotor Action and Absorption: Relating the Tellegen Absorption Scale to Ideomotor
Tasks

Business Meeting (First Floor South Lobby, 1:30 – 1:45 PM)

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