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## DEPARTMENTAL

### CHAIR'S CONGRATULATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS & "IN THE NEWS":

*PROFESSOR DOUG CRAWFORD* - Canada Research Chair in Visuomotor Neuroscience, is the coordinator of the new diploma program in neuroscience. "York launches a graduate diploma program in neuroscience - .... Neuroscientists in York's Centre for Vision Research are studying visual perception – for example, how we process faces and scenes in our brains, and where this occurs – as well as visual-motor control such as eye-hand coordination. Researchers at York are also probing cognition and neuropsychology, examining the neural mechanisms underlying schizophrenia, or how bilingualism affects cognitive development and scholastic performance. Some York psychologists are studying topics such as the neural basis of empathy and personality, part of the new field of social cognitive neuroscience. Students in the new diploma program will also learn about the myriad of diseases that affect the brain and nervous system. "There are more than one billion people in the world with problems with the central nervous system, including Parkinson's disease, dementia, developmental disorders, autism, cerebral palsy, stroke, schizophrenia and many others," says Professor [Doug Crawford](#), Canada Research Chair in Visuomotor Neuroscience and coordinator of the program."

Full Y-File story: <http://www.yorku.ca/yfile/archive/index.asp?Article=10606>

*LEAH SHAPIRA* - Myriam Mongrain's graduate student (MA2) has won the Canadian Council of Departments of Psychology (CCDP) Teaching Assistant Award.

*JENNIFER STEELE* – "York prof researches the role of facial features in discrimination Jennifer Steele, a social psychology professor, is looking into how racial stereotyping develops in school-aged kids... "<http://www.yorku.ca/yfile/archive/index.asp?Article=10580>>

*JENNIFER STEEVES & RICHARD MURRAY* – "Vision science program lures top science students to York University Twenty-five students from Canada and around the world will attend a week-long vision science program this week at York University... "<http://www.yorku.ca/yfile/archive/index.asp?Article=10598>>

*PROF. MARTY STEINBACH* – "has just been named as the 2009 Kupfer Awardee by the Association for Research in Vision & Ophthalmology (ARVO). The award honours those who "have demonstrated distinguished public service on behalf of eye and vision research" (from the ARVO website). It is named for Carl Kupfer who served as the Director of the National Eye Institute of the US NIH, for 30 years. It will be presented to him at the ARVO meeting next May in Ft. Lauderdale. – Chair, L. Harris

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COLLOQUIA:

◆ Departmental Colloquia:

*CVR SEMINAR SCHEDULE* - 2pm Fridays - CSEB 3033 unless otherwise indicated:

- Friday June 13 - Eliana Klier (Washington Univ) / VISUOSPATIAL UPDATING AFTER ROTATIONS AND TRANSLATIONS IN THREE-DIMENSIONAL SPACE

- **Thursday June 19** - (NOTE THAT THERE ARE TWO SEMINARS THIS WEEK) - 2pm CSEB 3033

David Whitney (Center for Mind and Brain, and Dept of Psychology, UC Davis) / Coding and perceiving the positions of objects

- Friday June 20 - 2 pm CSEB 3033. Mike Langer (McGill Univ) / Title: "On surface visibilities in 3D cluttered scenes"

- Friday June 27 - 2 pm room TBA. Benjamin Backus (SUNY-Optometry) / Title: "Cue recruitment in visual perception"

ORAL DEFENCE:

*ALBA AGOSTINO (PhD)* - will defend her PhD dissertation on, June 19, 2008, 10:00 am, 014A BSB, entitled: "The Development of Mathematical Reasoning: Role of M-Capacity, inhibition, updating, and shifting" Examining Committee: E. Bialystok, J. Johnson, J. Pascual-Leone, W. Whiteley, M. Toplak, J. LeFevre.

*MARK STEVEN WATSON (PhD)* - will defend his PhD dissertation on, June 20, 2008, 10:00 am, 014A BSB, entitled: "The Prediction and Classification of Risk for Future Violence: An Exploratory Study of New Predictive and Typological Aggression Models Using the Violence Eliciting Inventory With a Forensic Sample" Examining Committee: D. Wiesenthal, G. Flett, D. Nussbaum, L. Visano, J. Goldberg, W. DeKeseredy.

*KIMBERLY WATSON (PhD)* - will defend her PhD dissertation on, July 3, 2008, 1:00 pm, 278 York Lanes, entitled: "Mobilizing Personal Agency Through Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction: A Qualitative Inquiry" Examining Committee: J. Katz, J. Eastwood, D. Rennie, L. Visano, H. Westra, L. McMullen.

COLLOQUIA/SEMINARS/  
PRESENTATIONS:

*VARIOUS LOCAL TALKS BY LEADING EDGE SEMINARS* - Full details see: see:  
[www.leadingedgeseminars.org](http://www.leadingedgeseminars.org)

-“[Essential Skills of Supervision](#)” - Lawrence Shulman, MSW, EdD. Date: Friday, June 6. Location: Metro-Central YMCA (20 Grosvenor St., Toronto)

-“[Grieving Hand in Hand: Helping Adults and Their Children When Grief is Shared](#)” - Robert Zucker, LCSW, FT. Dates: Monday, June 9, and Tuesday, June 10. Location: Metro-Central YMCA (20 Grosvenor St., Toronto)

-“[User-Friendly Cognitive Behavioural Therapy for OCD and Anxiety in Children and Adolescents](#)” - Aureen Wagner, PhD. Dates: Thursday, June 12, and Friday, June 13. Location: Metro-Central YMCA (20 Grosvenor St., Toronto)

-“[New Developments in Mindfulness Practice for Professionals](#)” - Michael Stone, MA. Dates: Friday, June 13, and Saturday, June 14. Location: Jim Robillard Union Centre (1505 Carling Ave., Ottawa)

CONFERENCES:

*SERVICES AND ADVOCACY FOR GLBT ELDERS (SAGE)* - is holding its Fourth National Conference on LGBT Aging, entitled “It’s About Time: LGBT Aging in a Changing World.” The Conference, sponsored by AARP, will be held October 12-14, 2008 at the Marriott New York at the Brooklyn Bridge. The Conference will offer information, research, best practices, and skills-building for professionals interested in aging in the LGBT community. For more information and to register, please visit [www.sageusa.org/nationalconference](http://www.sageusa.org/nationalconference)

## POSITIONS:

### *ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA –*

#### **Position:** Lecturer in Psychology

The department of Military Psychology and Leadership is looking for someone with a Masters Degree in Psychology who can teach in French. We are prepared to offer a 10-month contract, starting August 05 2008, with a salary range of \$45,000-\$55,000, depending on qualifications. The lecturer will teach six courses in French to small classes (maximum 25), which may include "Introduction à la psychologie", "Méthodes de recherche en psychologie (I)", et "Statistiques (I)", but courses are negotiable. There will be some opportunity to continue research work during this time.

For more information or if interested, please contact Dr Danielle Charbonneau, Acting Head, [charbonneau-d@rmc.ca](mailto:charbonneau-d@rmc.ca), (613-541-6000, ext. 6635).

### *PEEL CHILDREN'S CENTRE ,CLINICAL RESEARCH PROJECT COORDINATOR - 2 Year*

Contract (37.5 hrs/wk). File #08-030. We are seeking a Clinical Research Project Coordinator for an innovative study on identification of autism in infants receiving community-based early intervention services. The successful candidate will oversee and coordinate the clinical research project, reporting directly to the Principal Investigator. We are actively engaged in building a more diverse workforce and encourage all qualified candidates to apply no later than **June 16th, 2008**. For full add see:

<http://www.peelcc.org/join/64-clinical-research-project-coordinator>

### *PSYCHOMETRICIAN POSITION ON VANCOUVER ISLAND - West Coast Psychological Services*

#### **Position:**

- Psychometrician for our outreach assessments clinics on Vancouver Island
- Test administration and scoring for psychovocational, neuropsychological, and psychoeducational assessments

- Communicate and consult with psychologists, post-doctoral interns, other psychometricians, and head office staff
- Report to our Clinical Director (Joseph Klancnik, PhD, RPsych) at our Vancouver head office
- 30 to 40 hours per week
- \$25 to \$35/hr (depending on experience)
- Position is available immediately but the start date is negotiable

#### **Qualifications:**

- Minimum of Master's degree in psychology (or other relevant field)
- Minimum 2 years of recent work experience administering and scoring psychological tests (e.g., WAIS-III, WMS-III) -- or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience
- Able to work very independently
- Able to plan, prioritize, and multi-task
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills (both verbal and written)
- Reliable, professional, organized, & detail oriented
- Comfortable using computers, fax machines, and photocopiers
- Valid driver's license and access to vehicle

**Deadline:** June 30, 2008

Please email a resume and cover letter to [dawnb@alumni.yorku.ca](mailto:dawnb@alumni.yorku.ca)

### *NEVADA STATE COLLEGE (NEVADA) -*

Psychology Instructor (date posted: 6/5/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000562364-01&pg=e>

### *SABA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (ST. KITTS/NEVIS) -*

Medical School Teaching Faculty (date posted: 6/5/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000562387-01&pg=e>

### *UNIVERSITY OF BAHRAIN (BAHRAIN) -*

Faculty Appointments date posted: 6/5/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000562311-01&pg=e>

### *GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY (GEORGIA) -*

Clinical Psychologist date posted: 6/5/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000562369-01&pg=e>

*SKAGIT VALLEY COLLEGE (WASHINGTON)* -  
Two Positions in Early Childhood Education  
(3038 and 3040) (date posted: 6/5/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000562295-01&pg=e>

*RIDER UNIVERSITY (NEW JERSEY)* - Assistant  
or Associate Professor, Counseling Services  
(date posted: 6/3/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000562046-01&pg=e>

*UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA AT RENO (NEVADA)* -  
Clinical Psychologist (date posted: 6/3/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000561985-01&pg=e>

*OKLAHOMA CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
(OKLAHOMA)* - Coordinator of Developmental  
Mathematics (date posted: 6/3/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000561999-01&pg=e>

*ARGOSY UNIVERSITY AT HONOLULU (HAWAII)*  
- Academic Chair, Counseling Psychology  
(date posted: 5/30/2008)

<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000561654-01&pg=e>

*CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK GRADUATE  
CENTER (NEW YORK)* - Postdoctoral Fellow - 2  
positions (date posted: 5/30/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000561770-01&pg=e>

*CHAFFEY COLLEGE (CALIFORNIA)*-  
Counselor, EOPS/Care Specialist (date  
posted: 5/30/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000561693-01&pg=e>

*VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY (TENNESSEE)* -  
Clinical Assistant Professor/ Associate Director  
of Clinical Training, Department of Psychology  
and Human Development (date posted:  
6/2/2008)  
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/id.php?id=0000561360-01&pg=e>

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