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1992 Grad Returns to Give Annual Alumni Colloquium

Kristina Jackson, Ph.D. returned to the college and the Department of Psychological Sciences in March to give the annual alumni colloquium. She graduated Magna cum Laude in 1992 and did an Honors Thesis with Professor John Nezelek. She went on to earn her M.A. and Ph.D. at Arizona State University and since 2008 she has been on the faculty at the Department of Community Health, Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies at Brown University in Providence, RI, where she is a Professor (Research). The title of her colloquium was *Characteristics and Determinants of Early Adolescent Drinking* where she discussed her research into some of the predictive factors that lead to early adolescent drinking. In addition to the colloquium she also met with undergrads and grad students to discuss how she got her start in the same courses they are taking now and went on to a successful career as a Public Health Researcher.

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A Strong Showing At The Undergraduate Science Research Symposium



Psych undergrads took their place with colleagues from Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Math, Physics, Sociology, and other sciences for another strong showing at the 24th annual Undergraduate Science Symposium, held on Friday, February 23, 2018 in the Sadler Center. Psych presentations included 14 undergrads teaming to produce 10 posters showcasing their research. Among the notable titles were *The Effects of Gender Pairings on the Invisibility Cloak Illusion* by Senior Ashley Forthuber, and *Steaks and Stilettos: Do We Associate Genders to Food?* by Phoebe Mariam. Professor Danielle Dallaire continued to include undergrads in her important research on children of the incarcerated. This included *The Use of Restraints on Pregnant Incarcerated Women: Who is Shackled and What are the Effects?* by Angelique Gordon and Amna Baloul as well as *Regional Challenges and Resources in the Reentry of the Formerly Incarcerated and Mentally Ill* by Alyssa Eversmeyer. Professor Janice Zeman supervised psych undergrads whose presentations included *Psychosocial Outcomes Associated with Cognitive and Emotion Regulation Strategies* by Madeline Belesimo, Kristyn Long and Baldeep Mann. For more on the entire Undergrad Science Research Symposium, including the full list of undergrad presenters from all departments, click [here](#).



Professor Dallaire, Angelique Gordon & Amna Baloul with "The Use of Restraints on Pregnant Incarcerated Women: Who is Shackled and What are the Effects?"



Professor Zeman joins undergrads Mann, Belesimo and Long with "Psychological Outcomes Associated with Cognitive and Emotion Regulation Strategies."

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“Changing the World, One Article at a Time”



An active and ongoing series of research projects supervised by Associate Professors Danielle Dallaire and Cathy Forestell, and conducted by several W&M undergrads and grad students, has resulted in the nomination of an article to the list maintained by Springer Publishers “Change the World, One Article at a Time.” According to Ulrike Graiff, of Springer, “With this initiative, we not only want to support authors who are tackling today’s global challenges to facilitate real change, we also hope to promote a sense of community among our publishing partners and customers, and show that we can make a difference – one article at a time.”

The article to receive this distinction is, *Kelsey, C., Medel, N., Mullins, C., Dallaire, D., & Forestell, C. (2017). An examination of care practices of pregnant women incarcerated in jail facilities in the United States. Maternal and Child Health Journal, 21, 1260-1266.* Over the past 30 years the number of incarcerated women in the US has been increasing and it is estimated that 6-10% are pregnant at the time their incarceration begins. The research included phone and email surveys of 53 jail facilities in the US and found that 37% of facilities tested all women upon entry and that 57% used restraints on women within hours after they delivered their baby.

Here in the Dept of Psychological Sciences, we are proud that this article has been nominated for this prestigious list. The paper will appear with others selected in Springer’s category of Social Sciences, Psychology, Education, and Philosophy.

Caption: This research was one of a series of articles conducted by William & Mary faculty and students. Shown here are Constance Hull, Cierra Williams, Danielle Dallaire, Nickole Medel, Yuning Chen, and Natalie Libster. Not pictured here are article co-authors, Associate Professor Cathy Forestell, Caroline Kelsey (M.A. 2015) and Carson Mullins (B.A. 2016).

