

# **MTPA SPRING MEETING**

**MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY**

**APRIL 16, 2011**

**Keynote Address: Dr. Max Louwerse, University of Memphis**

**The World in Words: Language Encodes Perceptual Experience**

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

**1. Evelyn A. Stewart, Jingsi Li**

William Langston, Faculty Advisor

Middle Tennessee State University

The Connection between Everyday Coincidences, Pattern Seeking, and Belief in the Paranormal

**2. Matthew Williams**

Stephen Schmidt, Faculty Advisor

Middle Tennessee State University

The Effects of Emotional Stimuli on Working Memory

**3. Elizabeth Cummins, Carlos Freeman, Krystel C. Stryczek, Amy L. Hughes, Brian J. Hock, Ph.D**

Brian J. Hock, Faculty Advisor

Austin Peay State University

The Addictive Properties of Soft Drink Consumption Using a CTA Animal Model for Addiction

**4. Tasia Thompson, Ashley Johnson**

Dr. Lara Ault, Faculty Advisor

Tennessee State University

Using the Halo Effect to Predict the Perception of Stigma in a Person Who Has a STD/STI

**5. Lindsay N. Geouque, M.A.<sup>1</sup>, Chad A. Noggle, Ph.D.<sup>2</sup>, James O. Rust, Ph.D.<sup>1</sup>**

James O. Rust, Faculty Advisor

Middle Tennessee State University<sup>1</sup>, Southern Illinois University<sup>2</sup>

Reading Comprehension Performance in Children Exhibiting the Three Subtypes of Attention

Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder

- 6.** Kaela Birge, Adam Hymer  
Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, Should I Drink More Alcohol?
- 7.** Carlos Freeman, Elizabeth Cummins, Catherine Tucker, Jessica Ostland, Brian J. Hock, Ph.D  
Brian J. Hock, Faculty Advisor  
Austin Peay State University  
The Addictive Properties of Sweetener Consumption Using a CTA Animal Model for Addiction
- 8.** Taylor Dove  
Tom Brinthaupt, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Individual Differences in Self-Talk Frequency
- 9.** Sarah Wisner, Tara Tinch  
Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Let's Play Ball: Do Extracurricular Activities Help Us In College?
- 10.** Janee' Crenshaw, Lauren Bowen  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Staring Detection: Are People More Likely to Detect Staring While in Groups?
- 11.** Amanda Fletcher, Natalie Holt  
Dr. Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Open Door Policy for Blondes
- 12.** Wirt Piper, Forrest Metz  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Magical Darts
- 13.** Tyler Hubbard, Emily Shields  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Paranormal State: How Belief and Knowledge Guide Ideomotor Responses to Images Containing Ghosts
- 14.** Mason Holt  
Greg Schmidt, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Physical Activity's Effect on Relationship Satisfaction

**15. Catherine Tucker**  
Dr. Brian Hock, Faculty Advisor  
Austin Peay State University  
Measuring Alcohol Consumption Using a CTA Animal Model for Addiction

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

**Oral Presentations (11:15 AM – 2:00 PM)**

**Room 260**

**11:15:** Laurie A. Burke, Robert A. Neimeyer, Ph.D., R. Magellan Taylor  
Robert A. Neimeyer, Faculty Advisor  
University of Memphis  
Ethnic Comparisons of Complicated Grief and Spiritual Coping In a Diverse Sample of Bereaved Individuals

**11:30:** Gregory Garrett, Mary Ann Sokolowski  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Effects of Personality on Health Behavior Change

**11:45:** Chakita Patterson, Bradlisia Dixon, Katherine Read  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Academic Stress Among African American and Caucasian Students

**Room 262**

**11:15:** Stephanie A. Menser, Destiny Savage, Aaron Dakota Waddell, Mary Hannahan  
Rick Grieve, Faculty Advisor  
Western Kentucky University  
When Fat is Entertainment: Examining the Effects of Obesity in the Media on Bodily Satisfaction as Compared to the Symptomology of Muscle Dysmorphia

**11:30:** Patrick Neal, Kaylei Branch  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Color and Memory Performance

**11:45:** Andrew Jones, Debra Jordan, Elizabeth Efird, Tyler Hubbard  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Individual Differences in Embodiment

**Room 264**

**11:15:** Benjamin Gibson, Yasmin Stoss, Heather Jackson, Russell Fox  
Dr. Chris S. Dula, Faculty Advisor  
East Tennessee State University  
Turn that Thing Off! Examining Relationships between Media Consumption, Extracurricular Activities,  
& Academic Achievement

**11:30:** Richard Tillman  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Mind Your Language! A Cross-Cultural Linguistic Analysis of the Attribution of Responsibility for  
Spanish and English Speakers (and the Glorious Pitfalls of “Real-World” Data Collection)

### **Room 270**

**11:15:** Sam Hamilton, Karen Risinger  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
The Effect of Sexual Orientation Disclosure on Job Satisfaction

**11:30:** Matthew Bennett, Aaron Clements, Courtnei Patton  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Examining the Relationship between Academic Performance and Health Risk Behavior in College  
Students

**11:45:** Mary Hanahan, Morgan Lee, Nicole Nason, Stephanie Menser  
Rick Grieve, Faculty Advisor  
Western Kentucky University  
Evaluating the Validity of the Muscle Dysmorphia Questionnaire

### **Room 272**

**11:15:** Deanna Jordan  
Cyrille Magne, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Influence of Musical Ability on Linguistic Stress Perception: An EEG Study

**11:30:** Bobby Ray, Kyle C. Thorne  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
The Yerkes-Dodson Law and Task Performance: Methodological Findings

**11:45:** Tiffany Best, Corey Brawner, Amanda Neibel, Carrie Speer, Holly Stevens  
Jinni Leigh Blalack, Faculty Advisor  
Union University

Academic Satisfaction and Performance as Functions of Optimism, Sleep, and Perceived Stress

**Poster Session 2 (Second Floor South Lobby, 12:15 – 1:00 PM)**

- 1.** Constance Vermillion, Danyel Royal  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Getting More Donations by Getting People Emotionally Involved
- 2.** Ryne Druery, Heather Jackson, Russell Fox  
Chris Dula, Faculty Advisor  
East Tennessee State University  
Marriage, Mood, and Mental Health: How Does Marital Status Associate With Mood Notations in Medical Charts?
- 3.** Emma Fredrick, Stephen Turner  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Horoscopes and You: A Look at Perceptions of the Self
- 4.** Ashley Payne  
Dr. Kim Ujcich-Ward, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Eating Disorder Behaviors in African American and Caucasian American High School Athletes
- 5.** Paris Brown, Christina Watkins  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Staring: Do Males or Females Notice More?
- 6.** Heather Jackson, Ben Gibson, Russell Fox  
Dr. Chris Dula, Faculty Advisor  
East Tennessee State University  
The Effect of Parental Education on Family Conflict, Academic Self-Efficacy, and Academic Achievement
- 7.** Whitney Johnson, Samantha Cuff  
Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Music Preferences and Aggressive Tendencies
- 8.** Courtney Bottoms, Vallecia Deshields  
William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Cognitive Bias: Distinguishing between Self-Serving Bias and the Forer Effect

**9. Robert Baudo**

Stephen R. Schmidt, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Cognitive Carry Over Effect with Varying Stimuli

**10. Alisha Adams, Melanie Spicer**

William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
How Personality Traits Affect Reading Ability

**11. Ben Conrad, Amirah Mieres**

Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Does Internet Usage Influence Life Satisfaction?

**12. Shanon Pennington**

Kimberly Ujcich Ward, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Infant Sign Language Training: Do Age and Method Matter?

**13. Emily Tew, Lindsay Mayeur**

William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
The Paranormal Personality

**14. Dallas Swindell, Tyler Hubbard, Andrew Jones, Ashley Young, Clayton Thomas**

William Langston, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Methodological Influences on Implied Movement Interference Effects

**15. Christian Couch, Kelly Mendez, Maranda Kraft**

Sharon Guttman, Faculty Advisor  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Blonde vs. Brunette: A Common Misconception?

**Business Meeting (First Floor South Lobby, 1:00 – 1:30 PM)**