

The Summer Research Institute at the
Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute

Scholar Research Day

August 4, 2015 – 1:00pm
Westside Conference Center, Room E



Sponsored by:

Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute

College of Behavioral and Community Sciences, and

National Institute of Mental Health

Program

12:30pm – Introduction and Welcome

12:40pm – Panel #1

Annika Olson, Decision making after foster care

Jenny Echevarria, How I cope with depression: The voices of youth

Sarah Geary, Rape myth acceptance among college students: Examining how gender and previous sex education influence students' views

Aliyah James, Findings from a study on MHFA with college students

1:20pm – Questions for Panel #1

1:30pm – Panel #2

Michael Young, Cholinergic approaches for neurodegenerative diseases: improving motor function

Rachel Schroeder, Current status of cholinergic interventions in cognitive impairment

Javier Alfredo Arroyo-Plaza, Facilitators of and barriers to school psychological delivery

Ricardo Romeu-Kelly, An exploration of clinical judgment and differential diagnosis

2:10pm – Questions for Panel #2 and Break

2:30pm – Panel #3

Mariah Corey, The relationship between insurance type and quality of care for people with bipolar disorder

Kayla Bjorlie, Examining preliminary outcomes of mental health and substance abuse in Hillsborough Family Dependency Treatment Court (FDTC)

Carly Truett, MDMA use and risky sexual behaviors among heterosexual Blacks/African-Americans

Patrick McGonigal, YouCan! A preliminary evaluation of a drug court model applied to young adults

3:10pm – Questions for Panel #3

3:20pm – Farewell Reception

Please join us in the Atrium Lobby for a farewell and awards reception immediately following the program.

2015 Summer Research Institute Scholars

Javier Alfredo Arroyo-Plaza

Mentor: Jose Castillo
Home School: University of Puerto Rico at
Mayagüez

Patrick McGonigal

Mentors: Scott Young, Kathleen Moore
Home School: University of Massachusetts -
Amherst

Kayla Bjorlie

Mentors: Kathleen Moore, Scott Young,
Melissa Barongi
Home School: North Dakota State University

Annika Olson

Mentor: Patty Schrock
Home School: University of Massachusetts -
Amherst

Mariah Corey

Mentors: Roger Boothroyd, Paul Stiles
Home School: Kennesaw State University

Ricardo Romeu-Kelly

Mentors: Paul Stiles, Roger Boothroyd
Home School: University of South Florida

Jenny Echevarria

Mentor: Mary Armstrong
Home School: University of South Florida

Rachel Schroeder

Mentors: Rex Philpot, Lynn Wecker
Home School: Iowa State University

Sarah Geary

Mentors: Colleen Clark, Jessica Mitchell
Home School: Cornell University

Carly Truett

Mentor: Khary Rigg
Home School: University of South Florida

Aliyah James

Mentor: Catherine Batsche
Home School: Pennsylvania State University

Michael Young

Mentors: Lynn Wecker, Rex Philpot
Home School: University of Connecticut

The Summer Research Institute at the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute (SRI@FMHI)

Behavioral health disorders, including mental and addictive disorders, are among the leading causes of disability world-wide. The Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI) conducts research on mental illness, substance abuse, health care financing, disability law, juvenile justice, involuntary commitment, child abuse, developmental disabilities, and other pressing social issues. FMHI has established the Summer Research Institute as a Research Experience for High School and Undergraduates to provide an intensive research experience for student-scholars interested in conducting research and to help them prepare for college (high school students) or graduate school, medical school, law school or Senior Thesis (undergraduate students). Although geared toward behavioral health issues, the research methodologies studied apply to a wide range of social science disciplines.

Program Structure: The undergraduate SRI is funded by the National Institute of Mental Health. This year's SRI began in late May 2015 and culminates with today's Research Day after 10 weeks of intense work. Each scholar was matched with a faculty mentor with whom he or she conducted his or her research study. In addition, scholars participated in a variety of activities coordinated by the SRI core faculty: a substantive seminar series on research design, methods and process; a proseminar series on ethics, graduate schools and funding/publication; a skills workshop series exploring areas such as analytic tools, speaking/presentation skills and writing; and finally a broad array of community field experiences. In addition to the presentations offered today, each scholar has written a research report describing his or her work and is encouraged to submit the completed paper for consideration at an Undergraduate Research Symposium as well as regional and national conferences. Many papers will also be redrafted for submission to scholarly research journals.

Summer Research Institute Core Faculty

Catherine Batsche ♦ Roger Boothroyd ♦ Kathleen Moore
Paul Stiles ♦ Lynn Wecker ♦ Monica Landers

