



Second Year Clinical Students:

Front Row: Matt Marggraf, Danielle Montoney, Tabitha Mpamira, Mindy Scheithauer, Dee Anna Runnels

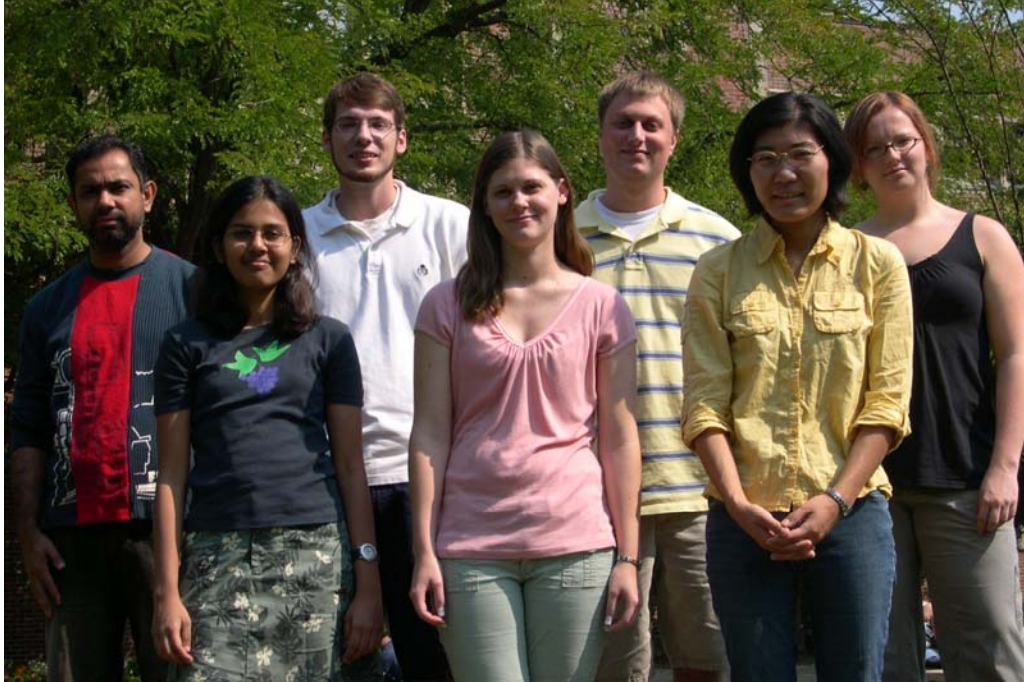
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First Year Clinical Students:

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Second Year Cog/social students:

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David Markham, Michelle Zerbi, Maria Piteros, Kelly Barnes, Wesley Stoller, Josh Staller.

Student Biographies

Ashley Arnott, clinical student

Hi, I am from Ohio. I graduated with a BA in psychology and a minor in sociology from Ohio State University. There I participated in research involving depression and anxiety. I also worked in the cognitive development lab for a year. My main interests lie in abnormal psychology. I am a graduate assistant for Mr. Truelove and Dr. Perkins. After completing my degree at Ball State, I plan to pursue a PhD. in clinical psychology.

Celia Atkinson,

I was born and raised in Chicago and received my B.S. in psych from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. My research interests involve gender and the military and vicarious traumatization in primary caregivers for Iraq war veterans. I am pursuing licensure in the state of Illinois, upon completion of which I hope to work at a V.A. hospital in Chicago. After working for a few years, I plan to attend a Ph.D. program in Chicago. I enjoy running, Bells (specifically Oberon and Hopslam), and dancing with my girls.

Kelly Barnes,

Hi, my name is Kelly Barnes and I am a first year student in the Cognitive and Social Processes program. I am from Northwest Indiana, "The Region," and did my undergrad at Trinity Christian College in the south suburbs of Chicago. At Trinity, I majored in psychology with minors in business and theology. I also had the opportunity to be part of a research team at DePaul University where I studied procrastination and regret. After my time at BSU, I plan on pursuing my PhD in Social Psychology in the hopes of becoming a professor at a small liberal arts college. My research interests include stereotyping, prejudice, and discrimination, especially as they relate to the concept of nationalism.

Sucharita Belavadi, cognitive and social processes student

Hello everyone, I am a second year student in the Cognitive and Social Processes program. I come from the bustling and colorful city of Mumbai in India. I obtained my Undergraduate degree in psychology from Mumbai University. My research interests include stereotypes, prejudice and discrimination, gender issues, attitudes related to poverty and the area of HIV/AIDS. I have worked as a research assistant at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai. The study explored the stigma and discrimination, among the general population and the health care setting, towards people living with HIV and AIDS. In the future, I plan to get a PhD and work in India.

Laura Brodhun,

I am a first year student in the clinical psychology program and originally from Minnesota. I received my bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Stout with a major in Psychology and minor in foundations of Neuropsychology. After I finish my master's degree I hope to go into Neuropsychological assessment. My interests outside of school include working with refugees and learning about middle eastern culture.

Kevin Cappaert, cognitive and social processes student

I am a second year cognitive and social processes student. I earned a double major in Psychology and Sociology at The University of Wisconsin – Whitewater. I am originally from Green Bay, Wisconsin and am a huge Packer fan. My main research interests are social psychological in nature; they include gender, dominance, stereotyping and status. I am currently assisting Dr. Holtgraves with research in the psychology department. After completing my master's degree, I plan on attending a Ph.D. program in social psychology with the goal of becoming a professor.

Angela Dortch, cognitive and social processes student

Angela Dortch earned bachelor's and Master's degrees at Indiana State University before coming to BSU. Her research interests include employee motivation, decision making, and problem solving.

Leah Dunleavy,

Hi Everyone! I am a 21 year-old, first-year clinical student. I am originally from South Florida and received my BA at Florida International University in Miami, FL. My undergraduate research focused on whether adolescents with Asperger's Syndrome experience tip-of-the-tongue, which is correlated with theory of mind. I also worked at a school for students with neuropsychological disorders. My research interests include assessing the social skills and academic deficits of children with autism; also, I am very interested in how the brain's activity affects human behavior. Currently, I am the graduate assistant for Dr. Whitely and Dr. Adams. I plan on

pursuing my PhD in clinical psychology, then doing a neuropsychology post-doctoral internship. My final goal is to become a pediatric neuropsychologist.

Leslie Faulkner,

Howdy, ya'll! I was born and raised in Houston, Texas. I got my Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Texas Tech University. I'm currently working with Dr. Gaither and Dr. Ritchey as a research assistant. I like to make pictures that I refer to as art, for lack of a better term. My research interests include adolescent socialization, romantic relationships, and human sexuality. After this program, I think I'll either get my doctorate in clinical psychology or fight crime. It's a toss up right now.

Andy Fedor,

Hi my name is Andy Fedor. I am a first year clinical student. I was born in PA, and moved around a lot before my family settled in Grand Rapids, MI, where they currently reside. I completed my undergrad education at Kent State University in Kent, OH with a B.A. in psychology and a justice studies minor. My areas of interest include assessment using the MMPI-2, and substance use/abuse. My long term goal is to obtain a PhD in clinical psychology.

Nathan Felt, clinical student

It all started in Toledo, Ohio, my place of birth. Not long after that I was whisked away to Bedford, Michigan. There I was raised a University of Michigan Fan (Go Blue). I went to Indiana Wesleyan University for my undergrad and got a B.A. in both Psychology and Communications. It was my internship with Dr. Mike Boivin that led me on to BSU's Clinical Psychology program. Through assisting his Cerebral Malaria research in Uganda, my loathing for research changed into a fondness. I have a number of topics that I would like to study. These include, but are not limited to sexual behavior, social justice, addiction, gender, and cultural psychology. After I graduate from the program, I intend to pursue my doctorate overseas in either clinical or counseling psychology.

Kevin Francies,

Hi, my name is Kevin Francies and I am a first-year clinical student from Oxford, MI (a little town in the northern suburbs of Detroit) and I graduated from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. I work as a graduate assistant for both Dr. Kerri Pickel and Dr. Lucinda Woodward, and my personal interests in psychology focus primarily on anxiety disorders and specifically phobic disorders. Once I have completed my time at Ball State, I plan to pursue my PhD at another university.

Benjamin Glad, clinical student

Hi, my name is Benjamin Glad and I'm a first year clinical student. I am from Westfield, Indiana but was born in Pittsburgh, PA (Go Steelers and Panthers!). I graduated from Indiana University with a B.S. in Psychology and as an undergraduate did research in probability learning as well as self/body image. While I'm not completely certain where research will lead me, my main interests are cognitive-behavioral therapy vs. medicinal therapy, child and adolescent psychology, and self-image. After I receive my master's I plan on attending medical school for psychiatry. In my spare time I like to cycle (including road racing) and am a local hip-hop DJ.

Peyton Groff, clinical student

I am a second year clinical student, originally from Noblesville, IN. I completed my undergraduate studies at Indiana University in psychology with another focus in film studies (an odd combination huh?). My experience and interest thus far are very diverse, as I work with the mentally challenged as a Special Olympics coach and also the highly intelligent with the department of Gifted Studies and Talent Development at Ball State. I also have a research background in early emotional development and language process. The long term goal is to obtain a Ph.D in counseling or school psychology.

Ben Houchen, clinical student

This is Ben and I'm a second year Clinical student. This year I am assisting Mr. Truelove with Psyc 100 and Dr. Gaither with his research. I am currently coding and analyzing a study I did in West Africa over the summer examining cultural orientation and right wing authoritarianism. Hopefully I'll be able to return there this year, too. After graduation I plan on getting my Ph.D. and working as a Marriage and Family Therapist as well as a Clinical

Neuropsychologist. I have a lot of studying left to do! In my limited free time I coach a high school speech and debate team in Fishers, and watch Wipeout on ABC. Nothing can take the stress away like seeing someone get punched in the face by a wall of boxing gloves and then falling into a mud pit. I'd like to give a shout out to TD! Obruni & Obibini for life!

Ryan Johnson, cognitive and social processes student

My name is Ryan Johnson. I am originally from Columbus, Indiana. I earned my bachelor's degree from Indiana University. I am in the Cognitive and Social Processes program. My research interests include decision making in the workplace. After I earn my Masters, I hope to get into a field related to Industrial Psychology.

Trisha Makovsky,

Hello! I am a first year clinical student from Bethlehem, PA. I received my bachelor's degree in Psychology from Shippensburg University, which is also in PA. My research interests include severe mental disorders (especially schizophrenia), cross-cultural studies, and personality. After I graduate, I would like to get into a PhD program in clinical or counseling psychology.

Matt Marggraf, clinical student

I am a second year student in the Clinical Psychology program. I come from Minnes-oh-tah and attended the University of Minnesota - Morris, a small liberal arts college in the prairie. I received a BA in psychology and a minor in statistics at UMM. My research interests include assessment and anxiety disorders, among others. After I receive my Master's, I hope to earn a PhD in clinical psychology.

David Markham,

I am a first year student in the Cognitive/Social program. I earned a B.S. in Psychology at Colorado State University, where I did work in the field of memetics. Currently I am working on diversifying my research interests in both cognitive and social psychology.

Sam Miadich,

I am a first year student in the Clinical program from Cleveland, OH. I received my B.A. in psychology with minors in biology and sociology from the University of Dayton- Go Dayton Flyers!! I worked on research on injury prevention among adolescents involving skateboarding while at Dayton. I have a wide range of interests, but one area is depression and suicide. After this program I hope to continue on to a Ph.D. program in clinical psychology.

Danielle Montoney, clinical student

Hi! My name is Danielle Montoney and I'm a second year clinical student from Crawfordsville, IN. I completed a B.A. in Psychology and also in Spanish at Purdue University. Here at Ball State I am Graduate Assistant for the undergraduate Research Methods course. After I graduate I plan on entering a doctoral program in Clinical Psychology. When I finish my degree I hope to practice somewhere that my language skills will be needed.

Tabitha Mpamira, clinical student

I am a second year in the Clinical program. I graduated with a B.S in Psychology and a minor in Sociology from Western Michigan University. My goal is to get a Ph.D. in clinical psychology, and either practice or do research in the field of trauma and anxiety I am especially interested in sexual victimization and PTSD. I am looking forward to the good times here at BSU.

Angela Norris,

Hi, my name is Angie Norris and I am a first year clinical psychology student. I earned my BS in psychology here at Ball State. My future plans include becoming a counselor for at risk youth. I am also interested in the foster care population and forensic psychology. My assistantship with Guardian Scholars allows me the opportunity to work with Ball State and Ivy Tech students who have aged out of foster care or lost their primary care provider. My research interests include same-sex adoption, discrimination, and recidivism rates from juvenile offenders to adult offenders. When I am not busy with school or my assistantship, I enjoy spending time with my husband, three children, and grandson.

Jolene Pastir, cognitive and social processes student

Hi, I'm Jolene Pastir and I am a second year graduate student in the Cognitive/Social Program. I am originally from Loogootee, IN, a very small town 3.5 hours south of Muncie. However, I have called Muncie home for the past 5 years. I received my Bachelor's degree from BSU in Psychology, with minors in human development and interpersonal relations. I am currently a graduate assistant in the Advising and Resource center, a TA for PSYSC 295 (Orientation to the Psychology Major), and an assistant for Dr. Deckers. My research interests include decision making, reading/linguistics, and personality (although that's not where they end). After I graduate I plan on going to get my Ph.D. and doing research as a professor one day. In my free time (if I have any) I enjoy scrapbooking, playing tennis, shopping, and going to concerts.

Maria Piteros,

I am a first year student in Cognitive and Social Processes but am also currently enrolled in the Institutional Research Certificate program. I am from Milwaukee, WI where I obtained a Bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee. As a senior I worked in an auditory perception laboratory assisting a professor with conducting experiments. My current research interests include birth order, language processing and memory retention. I haven't yet decided if I want to continue on for a PhD when I graduate.

Pam Rumsey,

I am a first year clinical psychology student from the middle of nowhere Ohio. I lived in the same house all my life before heading to undergrad at Indiana Wesleyan University where I received my BA in Psychology and Chemistry. I didn't add psychology until the second half of my junior year but soon found it was where my passion was. While working with Dr. Tim Steenbergh I soon developed a love for psychological research and found I wanted to continue in this direction. He was able to connect me with a former grad of BSU who helped fuel my interest in trauma related research. It is a passion of mine to assist those who have been through traumatic experiences including anything from domestic violence to war related situations. After finishing my degree here I plan on pursuing my doctorate most likely in child clinical psychology.

Dee Anna Runnels, clinical student

Hey!! I am a second-year clinical psychology student from Hazlehurst, Mississippi. I attended the University of Southern Mississippi (Go Golden Eagles!!) in Hattiesburg to receive my undergraduate Bachelor's of Science in Psychology. I am interested in a lot of areas of research in psychology, but mainly alcohol and drug addiction, depression, eating disorders, anxiety, and testing and assessment. After graduating from Ball State, I plan to go on to a Ph.D. program in clinical psychology. I hope to later work in alcohol and drug rehabilitation. Ball State has already been a great experience for me, and I am looking forward to an exciting two years here.

Mindy Scheithauer, clinical student

Hi! I am a second year student in the clinical program. I completed my undergraduate degree in psychology from Ohio University in Athens Ohio. I'm from Lorain Ohio, which is really close to Cleveland. I'm currently interested in research involving children with disabilities. After completing this program I hope to get a PhD in either clinical or educational psychology.

Bryan Schmitt, clinical student

Hi, my name is Bryan Schmitt. I am from Middleofnowhere, PA. While studying Psychology as an undergraduate at York College of Pennsylvania, I got an internship at NHS Human Services Crisis Diversionary Residence. After completing my internship, I was offered a job at NHS's Extended Acute Care unit, where I worked during my senior year and the following summer until leaving for Ball State. I am now a second year student in the M.A. Clinical Psychology program. My research interests include, but are not limited to, the effect of attraction bias on personal judgment, adulthood ADHD, the developmental course of ADHD, and depression. I plan to pursue my Ph. D. in Clinical Psychology.

Josh Staller,

Hey, I'm Josh Staller and I'm a first year grad student in the Cognitive/Social Program. I'm originally from Fort Wayne, IN and I completed my B.A. in Psychology at IPFW. While completing my undergraduate degree, I spent a semester as both a teaching assistant and a research assistant. I also spent two semesters tutor students in Psychology. At Ball State, I am currently working with Dr. Butler on research and spending part of my time working in the Psychology Advising and Resource Center. After I graduate, I plan on getting into a Ph. D. program in Social Psychology.

Wesley Stoller,

I am a first year student at BSU. I grew up on a farm in the Willamette Valley of Oregon. I love being outside, especially when it's rainy. I completed my BS in Psychology at Western Oregon University. My most current psychology related interests include: memory encoding, decision making, psychopharmacology, neuroscience, etc... I plan on having a better idea of what I want to do after graduation, sometime early next year.

Meg Terranova,

Hi, my name is Meg Terranova and I am a first year student in the clinical psychology program. I am originally from St. Louis Missouri, and I graduated from Truman State with a degree in Psychology. Right now, I have a diverse set of research interests and hopefully my time here at Ball State will help me narrow down my focus. My research interests are PTSD, autism, adolescent psychopathology, and evaluating methods of clinical intervention. After graduating from Ball State, I plan to pursue a PhD in clinical psychology. Eventually, I would love to have my own practice where I am able to work with a variety of populations.

Joe Waters, clinical student

I had spent five years at Ball State to complete a double major in Psychology and Business Administration. Since I liked Ball State so much, I decided to come back for a couple more years. I spent the last three years working at the Youth Opportunity Center here in Muncie. I worked directly with the kids and then later in management. I was able to experience interactions with the kids, parents, placing agents, law enforcement, etc. to get a pretty good idea of the system in place that is meant to help these kids. After completing the masters program, I would like to move on to complete a PhD in clinical psychology. After that, I see therapy and research on the road, but I might be receiving rather than providing therapy by that time.

Rory Wendt, clinical student

I am a second year clinical student from Okemos, Michigan. In may of 2007 I received a B.A. from Michigan State University with a major in Psychology. Before attending M.S.U. I earned a B.S. from Central Michigan University, majoring in Business Administration, and worked for several years in Logistics. After finishing my M.A. at Ball State I plan to apply to clinical PhD programs. Eventually, I would like to work in evaluating criminal defendants regarding mental health issues that may influence the legal proceedings against them, including competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility (insanity).

Michelle Zerbi,

Hi, I am in my first year in the Cognitive Social Program. I am from the Kalamazoo area in Michigan. I attended Northern Michigan University and Western Michigan University for my undergraduate work. My research interests are group dynamics, specifically intergroup and intragroup processes. I would like to conduct research to find ways that groups can work more efficiently and peacefully within each other and also with other groups. After I complete my degree at Ball State, I would like to enter a PhD program somewhere tropical. In my free time, I enjoy dancing around my apartment and sitting in the woods.