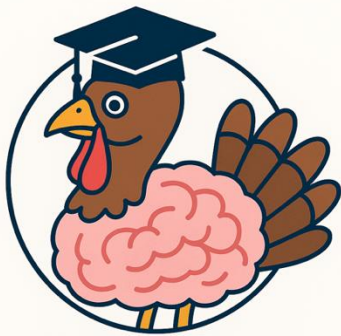




GASP
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Newsletter

November, 2025



Notes from GASP

We're already in November! Did I sleep thru October? I want to let everyone know that GASP now has an active website (still under construction) where we are posting student webpages, and student resources. Check it out!

<https://gasp.unm.edu>

Thanks to Anh Tang and Kamille Koger for working to get the website running and populated!

Also, thanks to everyone for the newsletter submittals! Keep them coming!

If I missed anything – let me know!



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Research Assistance in Aisle 10!

Cassie Boness is looking for 4-8 RAs for her lab. If you know some undergrads who may be interested, contact Kara Link

Colin MaHoney is looking for at least 7 RAs for his lab. If you know some undergrads that want to get some lab under their belt, contact Reagan Fitzke

Department Committees

The Undergraduate Research Committee is looking for a student representative. email Jeremy Hoogeveen or Cassie Bonness if you are interested in helping.

The Diversity Committee is also looking for a student representative. email Steve Verney if interested.

A new listing of Department committees is being developed. We'll get it out to you as soon as we get it. Lots of opportunities to get involved and help out!

Stay Tuned!



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Upcoming Events

Conferences and Societal Meetings

Psychonomics, Nov 20-23, 2025 (Denver, CO) - recognized as the most important international meeting of cognitive psychologists from over 40 countries with over 2300 attendees expected. Questions? Ask Mike Benson or check out this link: <https://www.psychonomic.org/page/2025annualmeeting>

Society for Judgement and Decision Making, Nov 21-24, 2025 in conjunction with Psychonomics in Denver CO - SJDM is an interdisciplinary academic organization dedicated to the study of normative, descriptive, and prescriptive theories of judgments and decisions. <https://sjdm.org> Questions? Ask Mike Benson or Kamille Koger.

2026 Modern Modeling Methods Conference. The Modern Modeling Methods (M3) conference is an interdisciplinary conference designed to showcase the latest modeling methods and to present research related to these methodologies. The 11th M3 conference will be held June 22-24, 2026 at Fordham University Lincoln Center Campus in Manhattan, preceded by an all-day pre-conference workshop (topic and presenter to be announced soon). Keynote speakers for this year's conference include Jennifer Hill, Gregory Hancock, and Patrick Curran. For more information contact Leslie Ann Brick.

The Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) will be holding their annual conference February 26 – 28 in Chicago (brrr!)

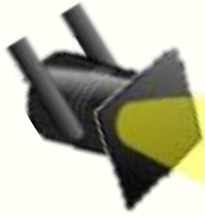
Other happenings

LoboBITES finals are November 13 at 4pm in SUB ballroom C. Come cheer on Psychology finalists Amanda Cipolla and Alex Connolly!

The department **Recognition Dinner** will be held Friday December 5. Keep an eye out for the invite and be sure to vote for your favorite people in the **GASP Awards** when you see that email!



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Lab Spotlight



Advisor: Tania Reynolds

Students: Jegason Diviant & Mikayla Poe

Jegason:

I'm defending my Professional Paper on a ***Survey on Preparedness And Readiness for Technological Advancements in AI (SPARTA AI)***. The objective was to examine how faculty and graduate students in the College of Population Health (COPH) and the Department of Psychology use and perceive generative AI, and how prepared they feel graduate students are to use generative AI technologies, with a focus on understanding AI literacy as an emerging social determinant of health.

Additionally, I'm exploring the intersections between virtual reality, augmented reality, generative AI, and educational technologies through a traditional narrative review and a social science fiction that examines what these intersections might look like ten years in the future. The core feature of the social science fiction showcases a high school student working with artificial general intelligence avatars in a mixed reality environment, generating an interactive astronomy documentary while exploring a digital twin simulation of the universe in real time, while simultaneously composing a musical score to accompany the experience as part of a high school science fair project.

Mikayla:

There is growing evidence that opposite-sex hate is moving away from a traditional sexism and is appearing in modern society as something different. To investigate this, Tania and I have been working on developing a scale to measure opposite-sex distrust/hatred. This will be a scale to measure this phenomenon in both men and women, allowing us to compare attitudes across sexes. In the near future we plan on distributing our refined scale to another sample and investigate the predictors of high opposite-sex distrust/hatred.



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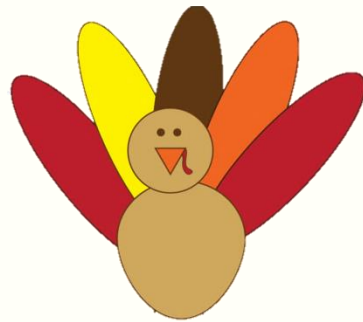
Well Deserved KUDOS!

Congratulations to all the clinical students who've wrapped up their internship applications — that's no small feat. We know how much time and effort goes into this process, and you've earned a moment to breathe. As interview season begins, let's all send them some good vibes and encouragement.

Congrats to **Alexis Burks**, who rocked her presentation at the National Academy of Neuropsychology conference!

Congrats to **Katie Edwards** who passed her comprehensive exam on Nov 5!

Congratulations to **Amanda Cipolla** and **Alex Connolly**. They are two of twelve finalists in the LoboBITES competition. LoboBITES are three-minute, one-slide presentations on research, presented in an approachable, non-academic manner. The finals are November 13 at 4pm in SUB ballroom C. They are competing for \$1000 scholarships and a chance to compete in regional competition.



Om Mani-Pedi Hum

In case it slipped your mind - a weekly mindfulness meditation group for the Psychology community is re-starting and will meet weekly on Fridays from 8:30-9:00am in Logan Hall B14, beginning on 10/17. We will meet for about 20-30 minutes and do a brief mindfulness practice together. This is open to all psychology graduate students, staff, and faculty.

No experience or weekly commitment needed. Please feel welcome to come as you are and drop by whenever you can join.

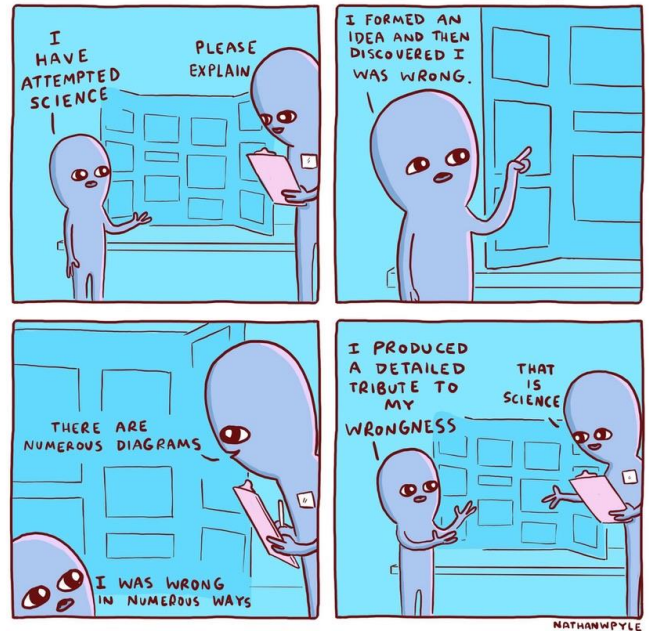
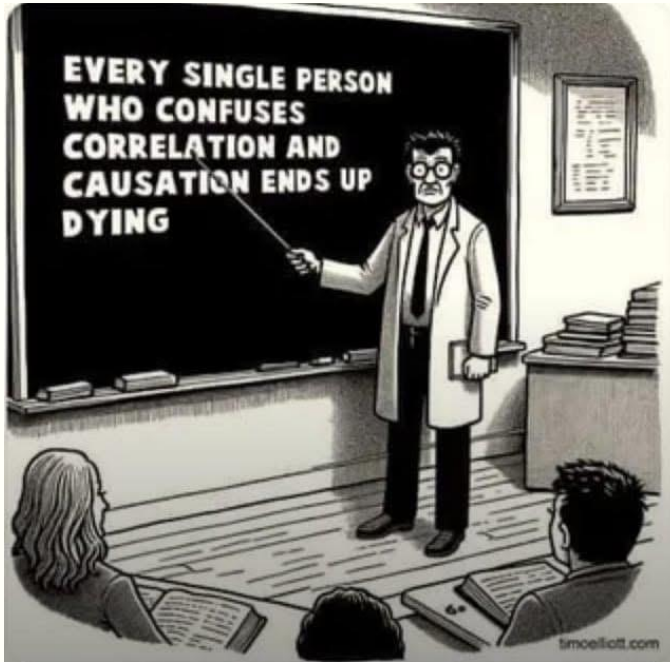
If you have any questions, please feel welcome to reach out to Ikela Moniz-Lewis or Katie Witkiewitz.



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Fun Page! (although its all fun)



Logan Hall Goings On

DO's November Undergraduate Mentorship Hours will be on Friday, Nov. 14th from 12:30-4:30. This is a great opportunity for undergraduate students (like our RAs) to get advice on how to get into graduate school or a psychology related profession, and more importantly – how to succeed. Please spread the word to anyone who might be interested (like all of your labs RAs).

Fun Stuff!

Tail-gate party! Last year, Ikela and Alex organized a tailgate before one of the football games. This year they are looking at the November 15th game vs Colorado State Rams. Game time is 1:00. Everyone is invited but to get specific details (meetup location & time) reach out to Alex (aconnolly1@unm.edu). As we get closer it would be nice to have a rough headcount just so we know for food and space, but for now just wanted to put the date out there. Hope to see you all there!



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GASP Events!

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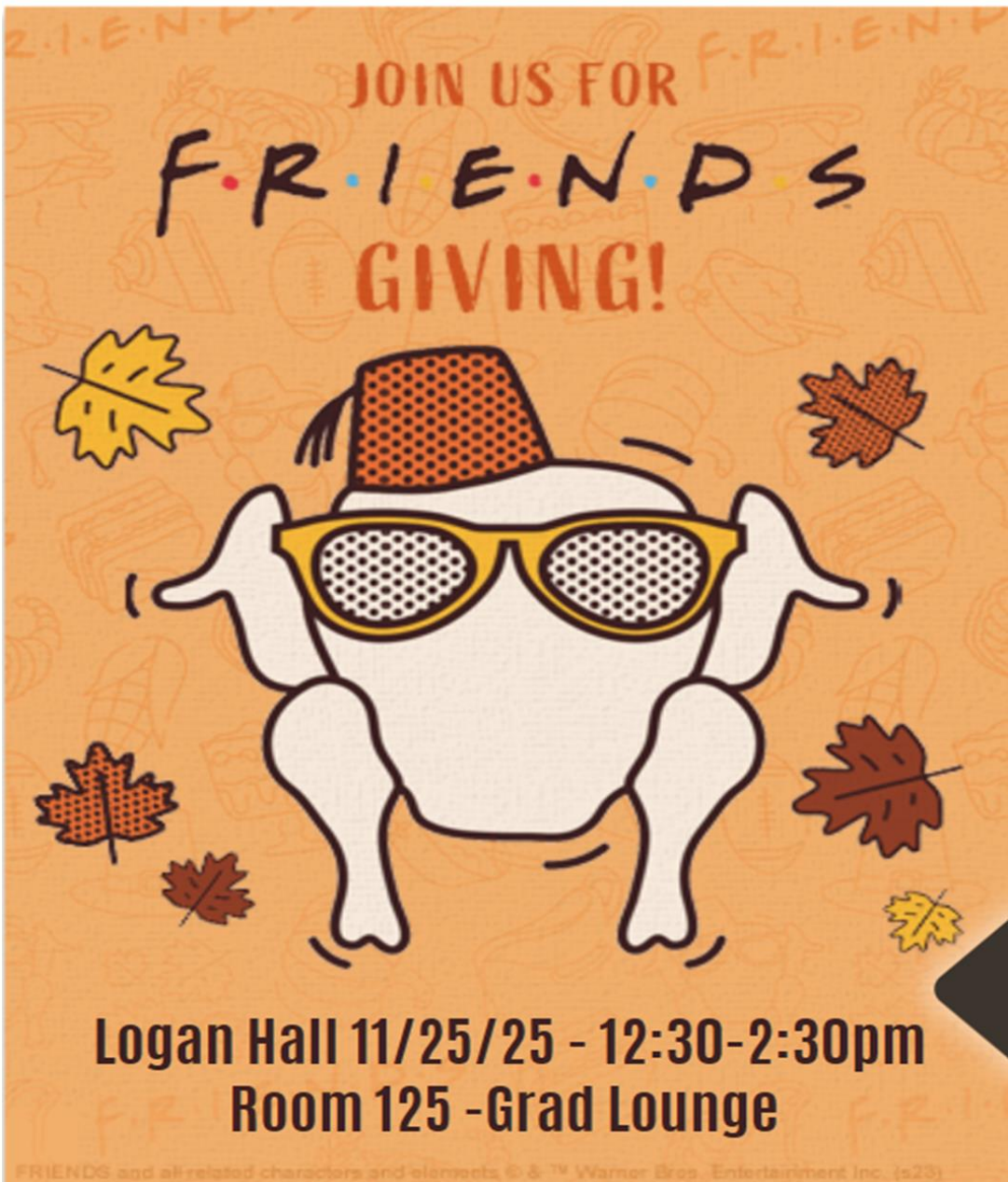


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Our friendly (and helpful) department staff is continuing the tradition and hosting a pot-luck Thanksgiving lunch on November 15 from 12:30 to 2:30 (ish).

A sign-up sheet for things to bring is in the department office.

Fez's optional



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If you are missing food storage containers...

GASP has found several containers, soaking in the sink, getting moldy and smelly. They were washed and left in the drying rack. They were not picked up by whomever left them there, so they were given a good home.

If you would like them back, they will be returned, unharmed (but slightly more used) and clean

BUT

you must promise not to leave dirty dishes in the graduate lounge in the future!

email gasp@unm.edu to identify and claim

Missing!!!

