



# Andrews University

## Department of Behavioral Sciences

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### Graduation, 2009

Graduation is always an exciting time, when the campus is in full bloom, the sun is shining, and families are gathered to share in the celebration. This May we had 16 undergrads and 3 graduates, with more to follow in August and December. Again this year, our students have broken new records with research and high scholastic honors.

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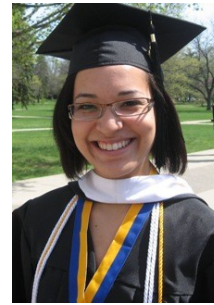
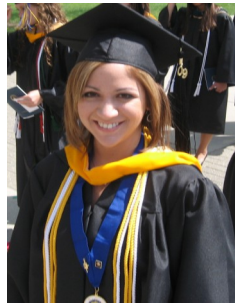
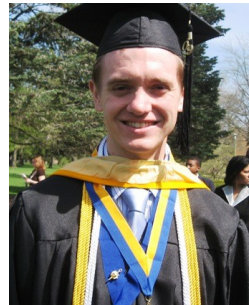
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#### Dr. Derrick Proctor Retires

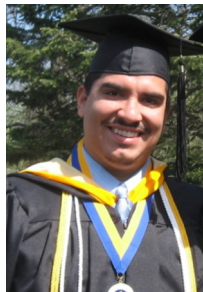
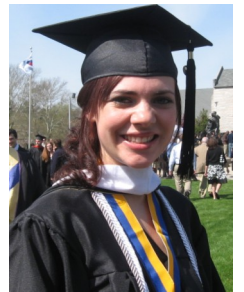
Most of you remember Dr. Proctor as your Intro to Psych professor. After teaching at Andrews for 37+ years, while still looking young and vibrant, Derrick Proctor is retiring from teaching. We plan to honor him on Alumni week-end this Fall. Please stop by for a visit.



#### Summa Cum Laude

(GPA of 3.9 to 4.0)  
(Two have 4.0!!)

Jeff Habenicht  
Eileen Corderra  
Adreanne Cadet



#### Magna Cum Laude

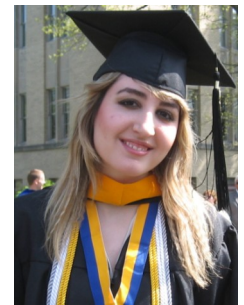
(GPA 3.75-3.89)

Myriam Leclerc  
Nicholas Paniagua

#### Cum Laude

(GPA 3.5-3.74)

Lisa Lien



#### More Graduates we were able to find graduation day



Oladayo Kalejaiye



Karrie Celleste



Andy Gerard

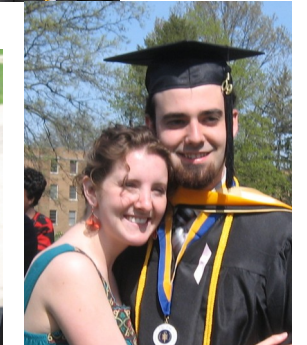


Jessie Lopez

Terry-Ann Adjumel



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Kathy Schwarz & Jordan Nay

### Department of Behavioral Sciences Leads Research on Campus

*Results of that research are posters and publications presented at peer reviewed national or international conferences. Each of the following research posters were mentored by a faculty in Behavioral Sciences, while the faculty themselves were working on their own research projects. See our website for more information on current research, as well as pictures. [www.andrews.edu/cas/behavioral/research/index.html](http://www.andrews.edu/cas/behavioral/research/index.html)*

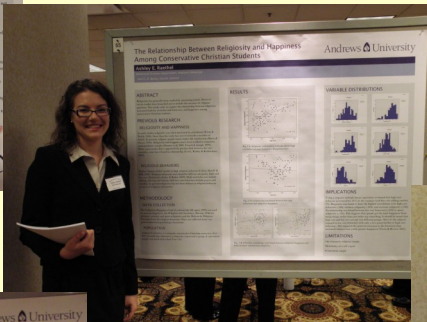
#### MW Psychological Association in Chicago, IL, May, 2009

Jeff Habenicht-Religious Information Processing Bias: A Flicker Design.

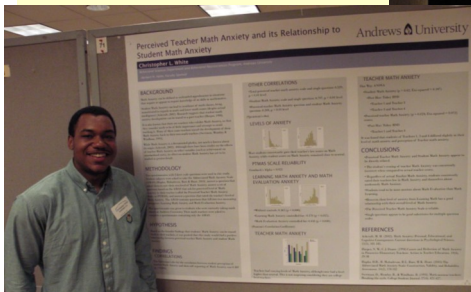
**Jeff is our 4th Regional Psi Chi Award winner in three years!!**



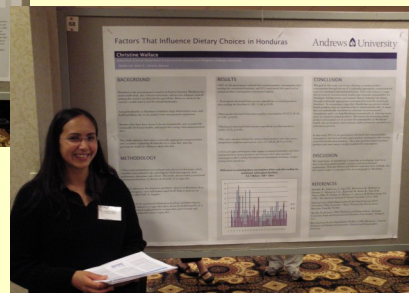
Jessie Lopez-Factor Structure of the Beck Depression Inventory II in a University Sample



Ashley Raethel- Religiosity and Happiness among Conservative Christian Students.

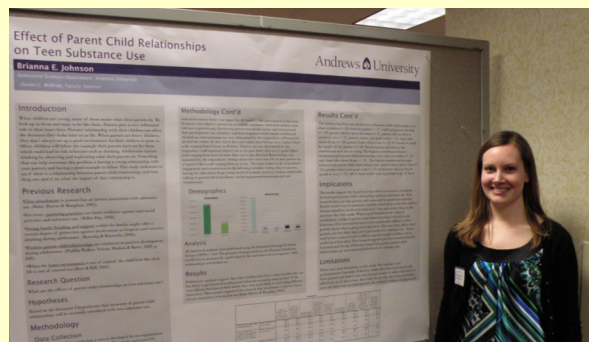


Christopher White.-Perceived Teacher Math Anxiety And its Relationship to Student Math Anxiety.



Christina Wallace—Factors that Influence Dietary Choices in Honduras.

Brianna Johnson-Effect of Parent-Child Relationships on Teen Substance Abuse.



#### Central States Anthropological Society meeting in Urbana, IL. April, 2009

Ehren Lichtenwalter. In the Middle of Nowhere and at the Crossroads of Everywhere: Abatement and Change at Hellenistic Hisban, 332-63 BCE"



## Community & International Development

Our Graduate program continues to grow and improve under the leadership of Dr. Mioara Diaconu. She works energetically to raise the bar of expectations of students in what they can do to improve the world they live.

This summer eight students went with Dr. Diaconu to Thailand on a study tour, visiting and conducting a Community Needs Assessment at the Karen Refugee camp in order to be able to design and later implement relevant community projects. They also visited Mission College in Bangkok, and networked with various humanitarian organizations. **Go to our webpage for more details and pictures of the trip.**

Another group will be attending the Interaction Forum in Arlington, VA in July. Participants will share how the next 25 years will offer new opportunities for collaboration among nonprofits, corporations, government and foundations.

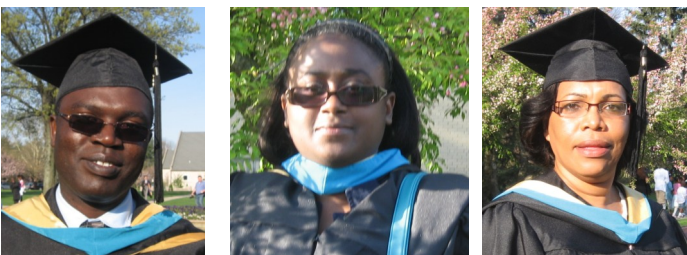
Raphael Nawrotzki is our first graduate student to get research published. The first was "Ways to Approach Climate Change in Developing Countries." Global Studies Journal, 1(4). His second lead author published article is entitled: "Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies for U.S. Agricultural Businesses to Climate Change." It is published in the latest issue of the International Journal of Climate Change. The article focuses on agricultural strategies to respond to climate change.

Raphael has been accepted in a PhD program in Sociology with a focus on international development at the University of Colorado, Boulder. He graduates in August from Andrews and is already at the University of Colorado steeling in to his new program .



For more information on our graduate program, contact Dr. Diaconu at mioard@andrews.edu or 269-471-3152

Masters students who graduated in May are Stephen Akeyo, Carine Phillippeaux and Anna Inniss



On Friday June 5 , Dorica Kafunya will be presenting a paper entitled "Membership in the World Trade Organization and Gross Domestic Product", at the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations (ISCSC). This paper is an excellent examination of data on WTO involvement and its possible impact on GDP. Dorica has also been asked by the conference organizers to Chair a session.



During the same session another paper is being presented by Polina Kadatska and is entitled "How Education Leads to Peace". This paper focuses on the breadth and understanding a national education system can provide that leads to tolerance and understanding of diversity and lead to peaceful solutions to issues.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING ALUMNI WEEK-END?

**Come help us honor Dr. Proctor in his retirement. Time and place to be announced.**

### Where are they going ??

- Jackie Shotwell is going to LLU graduate school
- Jillian Jones is going to Loma Linda OT program
- Derek Bacchus is graduating from LLU with a PHD in Psychology. He will be a staff psychologist at a VA clinic in Wytheville, VA.
- Terry-Ann Adjumel, Myriam Leclerc, & Lisa Lien expect to be student missionaries this next year.
- Eileen Correderra— beginning the CIDP program here at Andrews.
- Jeff Habenicht—waiting to see which prestigious graduate program wants him.

Are you an alumni that would like to let us know where you are and what you are doing?

Send your info to:  
bpeck@andrews.edu



# Student Testimonials

Lisa Lien, May 2009 Graduate



It is a great honor to be a psychology graduate student from the Andrews University Behavioral Science Department. I would like to thank you and to share my utmost appreciation for the past few years I have spent under your excellent guidance and care.

I thank you for the many valuable experiences I have gained by being afforded the privilege of working with your exceptional faculty members and staff. Each one of you are individuals that I admire and aspire to become like, not only because of your superior knowledge and skill, but because of the type of exemplary people you are to your very core. It was truly encouraging to be treated as an astute colleague rather than a simple subordinate. Your ability to foster a warm and open environment and a strong sense of belonging made my time with you genuine and filled with fond reminiscences.

You are highly praised for your unfailing concern, devotion, and support for each student's individual success. I am forever indebted to the invaluable research opportunities and matchless unique experiences I have graciously received.

Now as a new chapter in my life is opening, I leave Andrews University holding my head up high with confidence and pride; where I believe my deepest understanding, my greatest interest, and my most unquenchable passion for psychology was born.

Thank you, and may you be richly blessed for all that you have done and all that you will continue to do.

Brad Boivin, May 2008 Graduate



Things are going great here in Chicago. I'm nearly finished with my first year of graduate studies and am quite pleased with the experience. I was matched for a diagnostic practicum at Hartgrove Hospital which begins this summer. This is a very competitive process so I am fortunate in that I received a site on the first round of the application process. Also, I am being exposed to the research and theories of some prominent psychologists; mainly the client-centered therapists I am working with regarding my client-centered minor focus. In fact, one of

my professors has had direct interaction with Rogers and is very influential in her writings on Difficult Process; working with severe psychotic disorders from a Client-Centered approach. Of course, being in Chicago has made the experience even more amazing with its variety of restaurants and stores. Also, as I've stated before, the Behavioral Sciences department at Andrews more than prepared more for my graduate school experience. Thank you!

## **Ilean Ulloa, May 2008 Graduate**

Well, as I was warned repeatedly by all of you....grad school is no joke. I thought I would take a short break from this craziness to briefly thank you all for a job well done. I can't imagine what grad school would be like if I hadn't taken all those research courses at Andrews! The teachers here assume that I already have all the skills needed to complete assignments and my poor fellow classmates assume the teachers are going to teach them any skills they are lacking in.....I don't know how to break it to any of them that I am very lucky to have gone to undergrad where and when I did.

It's sad to say that there are many times when I look more prepared than other students who came in with past graduate work. I think I'm the only one in my class who has been to a conference much less presented a poster. Although I am working on my PsyD and not my PhD, I am still very fortunate to have been exposed to so many different opportunities. I still try not to laugh when they look so impressed that we went to Peru on a study tour. (I can't help but remember llamas and funny stories) This does not speak to my ability but it speaks to the instruction and training I received while I was there at AU.



I will owe money for a long time for all the student loans I took out for Andrews but I can say that every penny was worth it!! I miss Andrews but I will never miss the snow. I must say that the weather in Florida was a wonderful trade off. I wish I could say more but I have so much to do that I won't even be able to revise this letter.

Dr. Helm: Thanks for laughing with your students and being so thorough in your lectures. Every class I took with you was helpful and relevant. Thanks for keeping me alive in Peru. SPSS is like rocket science around here and thanks to you it's a piece of cake for me...(well at least up to this point..I'm not even that good at it.

Dr. McBride: you were more than right about grad school having "self-proclaimed gate-keepers" They are the most annoying people on planet earth but thanks to the laws of "office politics" I am coping just fine with my new stressors. The thought of a Chair interacting with his students is unheard of here!

Dr. Proctor: Thanks for the APA dictionary! It de-jargonizes everything for me and its something that would have taken me a long time to purchase on my own. :)

Dr. Bailey: Thanks for showing us how to efficiently read an article to save time and get something out of it. I am doing a concentration on Neuropsychology that would not be possible without the background I got in your class ....I still remember things from that giant Pre-frontal cortex paper I wrote J You were so right about everyone in the field is drinking life away. I'm the only person in the program who does not drink alcohol. And thank you for repeatedly saying that keeping the Sabbath is a must and that work will get accomplished anyways. My work gets done, classes are taken care of, and my Sabbath is kept.

Dr. LaBianca: your worldview opens everyone's eyes to look beyond what we are told. There are so many splits in the field about so many things that I can't even begin to imagine how to solve all the problems. Knowing that alone helps me see my teachers' biases whether cultural and societal and allows me to choose whether to adopt or not.

Dr. Kendall: the only woman teaching while I was there. What a trooper! Now that I am surrounded by women, I'm not sure that its healthy ahhaha. Thanks for all the encouragement throughout the application process. It was scary, expensive, time consuming, and annoying. You always had a positive attitude and were willing to answer questions. (Continued on next page)

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Professor Ulery: You always promote service and you know how much I love it so that was easy for me to get involved with while I was here. I learned a lot from those projects and presentations but what has really been beneficial is that stress management class I took from you. Oh boy!! I have never had my buttons pushed before like I do now BUT I was prepared to handle it and cope with it accordingly- in a healthy way.

## Letter from the Chair

Dear Alumni and Friends,

This has been a very exciting year for our Department. The hard work and success of our students continues to amaze us. We had three student led publications in peer reviewed journals this year plus a number of students presented papers at professional conferences. In addition, many students and alumni were co-authors on faculty presentations and publications. The Behavioral Sciences Department continues to lead the University in scholarly productivity and the integration of teaching and faculty/student research as well as the integration of learning and civic engagement the integration of learning and civic engagement. We have also seen our department grow in the number of undergraduates as well as in our Masters in Community and International Development. The list of presentations and publication as well as papers is posted on our website.

In recognition of our leadership in scholarship and research, the Behavioral Sciences Department has been given space in a new classroom building to be built near Nethery Hall. We will be getting the second floor of the new building. To facilitate our research work, we will have a research hub that will integrate faculty and study survey research, behavioral neuroscience research using our eye tracker equipment as well as containing artifacts and research material for our anthropology/archeology students. We feel that this integrated lab will play a major role in our research work with students. As is noted in the enclosed letter, we are asking our alumni to help us reach our goal of \$10,000 to develop our research hub.

We are superficially asking for funds to buy computers, eye trackers and desks. These funds will be used as a match to the funds provided by the University for this Research Hub.

*Duane McBride, Chair*



