



TCU'S EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGIST

Faculty Thoughts: Uma Tauber



We are almost finished! As the term comes to a close, it's great if you finish the year strong, but it is also ok if you feel like you're dragging yourself across the finish line or if you're sprinting to the line just to get to summer. To help manage the stress of finals, do your best to care for yourself – eat well, get plenty of sleep, and exercise. Those are easy suggestions to make, but they can be challenging to achieve. I also recommend using evidence-based strategies to enhance your learning and make the most of your time. Test yourself (try flashcards or Quizlet), revisit material multiple times on different days, generate new examples or apply concepts to your life, and/or study in a group. As important, reach out to your teachers when you need help – we're here to support you!

Publications

- Cox, C.R., Swets, J.A., Gully, B., Xiao, J., & Yraguen, M. (2021). Death concerns, benefit-finding, and well-being during COVID-19. *Frontiers in Psychology*. Advance online publication. <https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fpsyg.2021.648609/abstract>
- Hunsley, J., Ekas, N.V., & Crawley, R. (2021). An exploratory study of the impact of adoption on adoptive siblings. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*, 30, 311-324. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10826-020-01873-4>
- Knight, D., Becan, J., Olson, D., Davis, N.P., Jones, J., Wiese, A., Carey, P., Howell, D., & Knight, K. (2021). Justice community opioid Innovation network (JCOIN): The TCU research hub. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, 1-5. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jsat.2021.108290>
- Thompson, J.B., Conrad, S.E., Peterman, J.L., & Papini, M.R. (2021). Reinforcing properties of alcohol in rats: Progressive ratio licking performance reinforced with 66% alcohol. *Physiology & Behavior*, 235, 113393. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physbeh.2021.113393>

Faculty Promotions

Dr. Casey Call promoted to Associate Professor of Professional Practice
Dr. Danica Knight promoted to Professor

Faculty and Student Awards

Dr. Sarah Hill is a recipient of the 2021 Deans' Award for Research and Creativity.

Paige Northern is the recipient of the 2021 College of Science & Engineering Dean's Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award.

Quynh Nguyen has been named the 2021 Steven G. Cole Scholar in Experimental Psychology.

SRS Psychology Undergraduate winning poster:

Nynguyen, Q., Guarino, S., Hagen, C., & Papini, M.R. (2021). *Effects of neural manipulation of the nucleus accumbens in reward loss.*

SRS Psychology Graduate winning poster:

Northern, P.E., Babineau, A.L., & Tauber, S.K. (2021). *Lecture fluency impacts instructors' ratings of other instructors' teaching.*

Phi Beta Kappa 2021 Initiates:

Allie Benson
Gia "Zaa" Dao
Christian Hernandez
Linh Tran
Ashley Travis