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TRISTEN INAGAKI

Dr. Tristen Inagaki received her Ph.D. in 2014 from the University of California, Los Angeles. She started her career as an assistant professor at the University of Pittsburgh. After 5 years, she transferred her lab to San Diego State University, where she is now an Assistant Professor. She is a social neuroscientist studying why humans need close social connections and the neurobiological and psychological pathways that link experiences of social connection and disconnection with health. She has over 40 publications. Many of her publications are co-authored with undergraduate and graduate students. They appear in such prestigious journals as Psychological Science, PNAS, Social Cognitive & Affective Neuroscience (SCAN), Emotion, and Psychosomatic Medicine. She has given 22 invited talks and authored 50 posters/papers/symposiums. She received the prestigious NARSAD Young Investigator Award research grant and a nearly $3,000,000 R01 award from NIDA to explore the opioid-based mechanism that may underlie experiences of social connection. She received the Association for Psychological Science (APS) Rising Star award in 2017.

Dr. Inagaki serves as an associate editor for Affective Science and as a standing member of the editorial board of SCAN. She has mentored students at all levels. With pleasure and pride, we honor her with the WPA Early Career Research Award.
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MATTHEW YALCH

Dr. Matthew Yalch received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Michigan State University in 2016, completed his clinical internship and postdoctoral fellowship at the San Francisco VA, and has been an assistant professor at Palo Alto University since 2018. His work has focused on the intersection of personality and trauma, with the overall goal of developing ways to use personality assessment as a therapeutic intervention for survivors of psychological trauma who struggle with PTSD and co-occurring problems like substance abuse. Dr. Yalch has published over 50 journal articles, 13 book chapters, and one book. He has over 100 professional presentations of his work and since becoming a faculty member, almost all have been co-authored with his students. Dr. Yalch’s work has contributed to several psychotherapy applications, including group therapy for PTSD, CBT for substance use disorders, and smoking cessation, among others.

WPA is proud to honor him with Enrico E. Jones Award for Research in Psychotherapy and Clinical Psychology.
Dr. Alyson Burns-Glover is a sociocultural psychologist who has been teaching at Pacific University, Oregon, a small liberal arts college, since 1989. As a first-generation college student and a daughter of immigrants, she is committed to “giving psychology away” in the classroom and in the community. She developed community outreach courses for “Lifeguides” in elementary school classrooms, collaborated with Adelante Chicas to assess how their program affected Latinx girls' academic achievement, and collaborated with Native Hawaiian students to design and deliver a course in Native Hawaiian Psychology.

Dr. Burns-Glover’s collaborations with Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander students and communities have profoundly informed her work. She has published her work on teaching, and she consistently engages in collaborative research with students. She is committed to cultivating deep and rich connections with students, starting in the classroom and extending throughout their college lives and beyond. She has received several awards, including the S.S. Johnson Award for Excellence in Teaching, Charles Trombley Professor Award, Carnegie Professor for the Year Award Nominee, and Pacific University’s Diversity and Social Justice Award. She has served on many committees for WPA and APA. It is with pleasure and pride that we honor her with the WPA Outstanding Teaching Award.
Dr. Susan Kapitanoff is a Professor Emerita of Psychology. She was chair of the Department of Psychology and former Dean of Student and Undergraduate Affairs at American Jewish University. She received her doctorate from the University of California, Irvine in the Department of Social Ecology. Her research interests focus on stress, student achievement, and prejudice and prejudice reduction. She has taught many classes on prejudice and civil rights. Most recently, she has researched approaches to increasing student success and reducing anxiety in statistics education.

For twenty years, she was the director of the Psychology Department’s annual Prejudice Awareness Summit for middle school students, in which several thousand students have participated. Dr. Kapitanoff focused on ways to help students reduce prejudice, increase inclusive interactions between themselves and others by developing empathy towards each other, and learn how to deal with bullying. She also trained university students to be facilitators for the Summit, helping them learn how to facilitate small group dialogues and be effective change agents. In addition, she developed her university’s Service-Learning Program, with a goal of expanding students’ understanding of social issues. For almost two decades, she served on the board of the Valley Women’s Center, an organization dedicated to helping women receive treatment for substance abuse and domestic violence. Dr. Kapitanoff has been active in WPA for three decades.

It is with pleasure and pride that we honor her with the WPA Social Responsibility Award.
WPA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
JERRY RUDMANN

Dr. Jerry Rudmann received his Ph.D. in Educational Psychology and Research from the University of Southern California. He was a professor of psychology at Irvine Valley College from 1977 to 2007. He has received several awards, including the California Community College Research and Planning Group’s Lifetime Achievement Award, Irvine Valley College President’s Award for his “Outstanding faculty leadership on student learning outcomes, and the Wayne Weiten Teaching Excellence Award from the Society for Teaching of Psychology at the American Psychological Association. Since 2005 he has served as the Executive Director of Psi Beta National Honor Society in Psychology. In this role, he has worked to increase the opportunities for community college students to conduct and present their research at WPA. He has worked with the Western Psychological Association to fulfill our mission of stimulating the exchange of scientific and professional ideas and, in so doing, enhancing interest in the processes of research and scholarship. WPA is proud to acknowledge his outstanding contributions to the mission and goals of the Western Psychological Association.
Dr. Jodie B. Ullman earned her Ph.D. in measurement and psychometrics from UCLA. She has been a professor of psychology at California State University, San Bernardino, for 26 years. She is an applied quantitative psychologist who specializes in applications of multivariate statistics to psychology. Her specific areas of expertise are structural equation modeling (SEM) and multilevel models. She has served as the statistician on many grants and written several book chapters on SEM for the leading graduate textbooks in psychology. Jodie is published widely applying applications of structural equation modeling to areas of substance use prevention as well as serious mental health issues. She has held leadership positions at her university, including serving as a Special Assistant to the Provost and Chair of the Faculty Senate. She has also served and chaired several committees for the American Psychological Association. Jodie has been dedicated to WPA. She was the program chair for the 2006 WPA convention and then served as the coordinator for our statistics workshops for six years. She then was then treasurer and then president of WPA. She is now the Executive Director of WPA. We are proud to honor her with the WPA Lifetime Achievement award.