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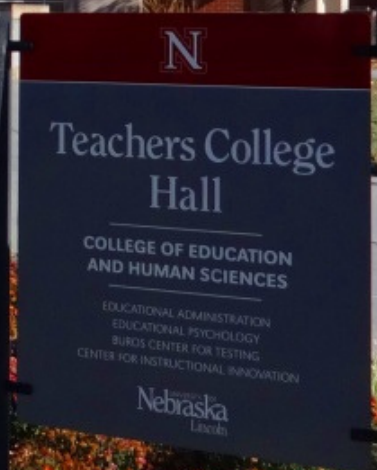
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Weekly Wednesday

Department of Educational Psychology

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HEADS UP!

Zee will be out of office starting next week. She will return in January.

While Zee is out of the office, please submit your room reservation requests at the link below.

Please note: plan ahead! Many rooms have already been booked through the end of the semester. Don't delay requesting your room reservation!

[HTTPS://UNLSCHEDULING.NEBRASKA.EDU](https://unlscheduling.nebraska.edu)



HAPPY INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK!

International Education Week is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. A joint initiative of NAFA: Association of International Educators, The Forum on Education Abroad, and the Association of International Education Administrators, it showcases programs that prepare students and communities to study, learn and exchange global perspectives. The annual event also highlights and promotes the opportunity to experience new cultures.



CHECK OUT THE FULL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AT:
<https://global.unl.edu/international-education-week/>

NEXT WEEK IS THANKSGIVING BREAK!

Students and faculty have Thanksgiving break next week, from Wednesday through Friday.

ENJOY YOUR TIME OFF!



Unable to be home for the upcoming holiday?

Are you unable to be home for Thanksgiving but are still looking to celebrate? There are many spots around Lincoln that are hosting dinners that welcome everyone!

Visit the link below to learn more:
<https://newsroom.unl.edu/announce/gsc/19498/104582>





Get to know your GAB/SOS Board Members! Introducing... **Taylyn Petsche**

Taylyn represents School Psychology on the Graduate Advisory Board, as well as the Student Outreach and Support group. She is also currently a GRA in CYFS!

tpetsche3@huskers.unl.edu

If you could only eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

Potatoes! Assuming I could prepare the food in a variety of ways (although this may be considered cheating), I think I could get creative with potatoes and never grow tired of eating them. I love the versatility of a potato!

Exemplary vegetable!



In terms of student support, what are your specialties or areas of interest in which you can provide support to students in EDPS?

I was born and raised in Lincoln, so I would love to help you find things to do, offer food recs, make connections, etc. I can also provide support to students navigating mental health struggles in graduate school. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you ever need anything!!

Where is your favorite place you've ever travelled? (Or lived?)

I lived and worked in Madrid for a summer, so I would have to say that! I love the architecture, culture, parks, shopping, and, most importantly, the food. Here's a picture of me at my internship at the Hospital Nacional de Paraplégicos, where we explored the relationship between various individual factors and one's pain inhibitory system.



What are some things you love about EDPS?

The people! The students, staff, and faculty are the best of the best. I am constantly in awe of other students and their ability to thrive in academia, work, and pursue interests outside of school, all while supporting others and being a friend to all. You all truly inspire me to be the best version of myself.

The Counseling and School Psychology Clinic and BRAVE Lab participated in the Park Middle School Resource Fair last week!

The event includes dozens of local agencies who share about their services to families during parent-teacher conferences. We talked with parents about our clinic and BRAVE Lab services, including the clinic for ADHD/SLD/ASD evaluations and online support group for middle school students who have been bullied. We also talked with other local agencies to refer their clients to our services. It was a great community-building event!



Way to go!



Oolong, farewell... Honoring Dr. Beth Doll

You are invited to join us for an afternoon of celebrating the accomplishments of Dr. Beth Doll during her time at UNL. Stop by for tea and light refreshments, and wish Beth a happy retirement!



Wednesday
December 10

3:00-
5:00pm

227
CPEH

Join the Department
of Educational
Psychology in
celebrating Dr. Beth
Doll, who will be
retiring in December.

Tea will be available at the event, as
well as a spattering of finger foods!

Wed. Dec. 10th
CPEH 227
3-5pm



THE ANNUAL EDPS GINGERBREAD DECORATING CONTEST IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!!

SUE WILL BE BRINGING IN THE GINGERBREAD KITS THIS WEEK.
YOUR PROGRAM GAB/SOS REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE REACHING
OUT ABOUT SCHEDULING A TIME TO COMPLETE YOUR BUILD!

ALL GINGERBREAD HOUSES WILL BE DISPLAYED IN TEAC 114. THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT WILL VOTE FOR THEIR FAVORITE.
THE WINNING PROGRAM GETS A PRIZE!

GOOD LUCK
& HAVE FUN!!!



Data Port Audits

FYI – Jules will be in and out of
faculty & student offices over the
next couple of weeks to complete
an audit on our data ports!



They promise to keep their visit as short and non-
invasive as possible! No action is needed on your part,
just know that Jules may be knocking on your office
door and popping in over the next couple of weeks. If
you have any questions, please email Jules!





The Nebraska Academy for Early Childhood Research (NAECR) invites students across the University of Nebraska system to join the NAECR student researcher group – a community of emerging scholars who are interested in early childhood research. Members gain access to resources, tools, and events, as well as announcements related to student-focused funding and research opportunities.

If you are interested in joining the NAECR student researcher group, contact project manager Sommer Fousek at sfousek2@unl.edu to learn more.

2025-26 Methodology Applications Series

THE MAP ACADEMY INVITES YOU TO THE FIRST PRESENTATION OF THE 2025-26 METHODOLOGY APPLICATIONS SERIES

THE POWER OF PLACE: UNDERSTANDING LOCAL CONTEXTS TO SHAPE RESEARCH

GIS: Case Studies for Winning Grants, Changing Lives, & Empowering Communities

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) are often seen as technical tools for mapping and data visualization. Yet when applied strategically, GIS can transform communities, influence funding priorities and empower decision-makers.

This presentation will show how GIS can uncover disparities, shape compelling narratives for funding agencies and support sustainable solutions. It will outline how GIS is a catalyst for change, providing evidence that transforms proposals into funded initiatives, and data into community empowerment.

Discussed case studies will include workforce analysis, community health assessments and behavioral health program evaluations, showing how GIS not only visualizes problems but also identifies pathways to solutions and action. Attendees will learn how GIS tools can be tailored to highlight local challenges, demonstrate impact and strengthen competitive funding applications.

Nov. 21st | 12-1:30pm **Free to attend!**
Jackie Gaughan Multicultural Center, Room 202



FEATURING JUAN-PAULO RAMÍREZ
FOUNDER, GIS AND HUMAN
DIMENSIONS, LLC

Research Opportunity!

Ken Bigba, a DLS student, is conducting a study exploring how parental involvement influences the academic and personal development of African international students. They are especially interested in how parental values, cultural expectations, and communication styles contribute to the identity development and educational experiences.

Ken is currently seeking:

- Participants between the ages of 19 and 35 who are African international students currently enrolled at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and fluent in English.
- Willing to complete a one-on-one semi-structured interview conducted either via Zoom as well as a follow-up interview lasting 20-30 minutes.

These procedures will take approximately 1 hour 5 minutes to 1 hour 30 minutes in total.

Interested in participating?
Contact Ken Bigba at
kenanile@huskers.unl.edu

ADVANCING NEUROPSYCHIATRIC CARE: CONNECTING BRAIN INJURY TREATMENT TO BETTER OUTCOMES

PART 4: STRUCTURING ENVIRONMENTS FOR SAFE, THERAPEUTIC MANAGEMENT OF BRAIN INJURIES AND SEMINAR SERIES RECAP AND WRAP-UP

FREE WEBINAR SERIES

Brain injuries are a significant yet often overlooked contributor to neuropsychiatric symptoms (NPS), such as depression, anxiety, cognitive decline, and agitation. These symptoms can develop regardless of the injury's severity and frequently persist over time. This seminar series will focus on the following topics: recognizing behavioral, emotional, and cognitive symptoms in patients with brain injury; prescribing medications for brain injury-related symptoms; providing supportive psychotherapy and cognitive-behavioral therapy; educating and supporting families of patients with brain injury.

THURSDAY, DEC. 4
11AM-1PM CENTRAL
[GO.UNL.EDU/REG_TBIPART4](https://go.unl.edu/REG_TBIPART4)



Upcoming Office Hours

November 20-26, 2025

Thurs. Nov. 20: 11am-12pm

Fri. Nov. 21: 10-11am (via Zoom)

Mon. Nov. 24: Via Zoom

Email sswearer@unl.edu to set up an appointment

Tues. Nov. 25: Via Zoom

Email sswearer@unl.edu to set up an appointment

Wed. Nov. 26: No Office Hours

Happy Thanksgiving Break!

Susan Swearer, Ph.D., LP

Chairperson

Department of Educational Psychology
University of Nebraska-Lincoln



NEED TO MEET W/ JULES?

If you would like to meet with Jules, you must send them an email to set up an appointment.

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

*Note: Jules is unable to meet on Wednesdays

EMAIL JULES
✉ [JMEYERS19@UNL.EDU](mailto:jmeyers19@unl.edu)

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need to request materials from CSPC?



Microsoft Form Link: <https://go.unl.edu/cspcmaterials>

