

# PSYCH!

Psychology Alumni Newsletter



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## Debut of “PSYCH!” The new Psychology Newsletter for Alumni

The goal of this newsletter is to keep in touch with our Alumni! Our current psychology students have been working hard to put together tons of information for our former students! We hope you find this interesting and helpful! Enjoy!

Sincerely,  
The PSYCH! Staff

### Alumni Spotlight: Durrell Eason

Major: Psychology

Minor: Urban Youth and Communities

1. **When did you graduate?** December 2014

2. **What are you doing now?**

I currently work for a company by the name of Inreach. I work with a team of motivators that allows individuals with developmental disabilities to reach their dreams and goals.

3. **How did your Psychology Degree help you?**

My degree allows me to effectively interact with individuals as well as help me learn how to better understand how to identify different associations to the way people feel, think, and react.

4. **Do you have suggestions for Psych students?**

My advice is to go after your dreams no matter what trials that may come. Choosing Psychology as your field of study clearly says that you have a passion for people and understanding them. The best experience you will ever get from your studies is actually interacting with more people. You will start to identify how amazing your major truly is.



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### Do you want to be featured in our Alumni Spotlight?

- If so, please send an email to Dr. Kat West ([kpotte10@uncc.edu](mailto:kpotte10@uncc.edu))
- Know someone you would like to see featured? Send the name to us!

# RESOURCES FOR YOU!

**Did you know that as an Alumni, UNC Charlotte has the following resources available???**

- **[Via the UNC Charlotte Career Center:](#)**
  - Career Events
  - Career Advising
  - Job Postings (see HIREANINER below!)
  - Virtual Career Center



**Did you know that you still have access??**

## **Hire-A-Niner Features**

- Easy access to jobs, internships, and co-ops
- Built-in resume creator
- Employer directory
- Ability to report that you've been hired

All UNC Charlotte alumni since 1988 have accounts in this system. You will login with your 800# and a temporary password that you can retrieve by going to <https://www.myinterfase.com/uncc/alumni>. **(If you graduated before 1988, contact [career@uncc.edu](mailto:career@uncc.edu) to request an account.)**

# This past year, we said farewell...

The department of psychology has been honored to have worked with the following individuals. We are sad to see them go, but wish them all the best in their retirement!

- **William Siegfried**, associate professor of psychology, who started at UNC Charlotte in 1976
- **William Scott Terry**, professor of psychology, who started at UNC Charlotte in 1976
- **Lawrence Calhoun Jr.**, professor of psychology, who started at UNC Charlotte in 1973
- **David Gilmore**, professor of psychology, who started at UNC Charlotte in 1975
- **Arnie Cann**, professor of psychology, who started at UNC Charlotte in 1975



Dr. Siegfried (left) and Dr. Terry at the annual reception to honor retiring faculty.

# We also welcomed new faculty!

**Dr. Andrew Case** (top) received his doctorate in Clinical and Community Psychology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, completed a pre-doctoral fellowship in prevention and community research at The Consultation Center at Yale University, and was a post-doctoral fellow in the Duke Global Health Institute at Duke University. He recently was awarded the Society for Community Research and Action Emory L. Cowen Dissertation Award for the Promotion of Wellness and the American Orthopsychiatric Association's Vera Paster Award.



**Dr. Victoria Scott** (bottom) earned her Ph.D. in Clinical-Community Psychology and M.B.A. from the University of South



Carolina (USC). Her research focuses on interdisciplinary approaches to improve healthcare systems and community organizations. She is particularly interested in promoting breastfeeding through community, healthcare, and workplace interventions; building organizational readiness for integrated behavioral health and primary care; and the science and art of quality improvement. In 2015, Dr. Scott received the *Society for Community Research and Action Early Career Award*. She also received the *Don Klein Publication Award to Advance Community Psychology Practice* for her co-edited book: *Community Psychology: Foundations for Practice*, which aims to further the competencies of professionals who work in community settings.

# Dr. Bennett is the best!

This year, Dr. Jeanette M. Bennett was named one of the 10 “Must Take Psychology Professors” in Charlotte by the online site Careers in Psychology. “Educating the next generation of leaders and scientists has always been one of my primary goals,” Bennett says. “My classroom provides an environment that is open to questions and a safe place to process new student ideas.”





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***Want to help the department  
reach some AWESOME  
goals!?***

*Our current goals:*

1.) *Developing undergraduate scholarships such as the I/O Founders Scholarship in the names Dave Gilmore, Bill Siegfried, Kim Buch, and Joann Lee.*

2.) *Aid in helping undergraduate students pay for study abroad opportunities and/or to travel to professional conferences.*

3.) *Sponsor an end of the year annual reception for alumni and students receiving awards or scholarships.*

***Stay tuned!***

***Our next issue of PSYCH! will have information about how YOU can help.***

***Thank you, and Go Niners!***

## **Niner Connection**

The UNC Charlotte Alumni Association invites you to stay connected with Niner Connection. You can create an online profile which will allow you to network with other alumni and keep up with events and news. It will also allow you to find out more information about the Alumni Perks program!

For more details, check out the [UNCC Alumni website](https://uncc.edu/alumni).

**Get  
connected  
today with  
Niner  
Connection!**