The Interdisciplinary Major in Neuroscience

Bridging the fields of Biology, Psychology, Chemistry, and Philosophy



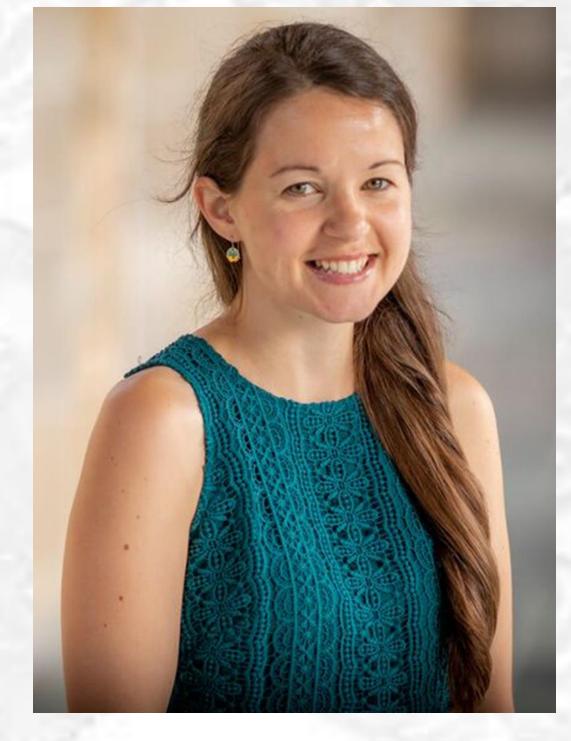
Dr. Tanushree Pandit examines signaling mechanisms contributing to neural fate patterning and neural circuit formation during embryonic development.



Dr. Kelly Dougherty investigates the biophysical mechanisms of antiepileptic drug (AED) action. She uses electrophysiological techniques to understand how AEDs directly influence the ionic currents flowing across the neuronal membrane.



Dr. Cameron Ogg uses in vivo imaging techniques to explore the effects of neuromodulation (cholinergic, noradrenergic) on flexibility in the brain and behavior



Dr. Laura Shanahan studies the neuroscience of sleep and its behavioral consequences. She examines the reciprocal connections between sleep and sensory processing in humans.



Dr. Jason Haberman studies visual cognition and uses psychophysics to explore how the brain represents crowds of objects, such as faces. The visual system uses averages to derive information about the natural world.



Dr. Jared Milson investigates the nature of inquiry & includes investigating the nature of the norms governing psychological attitudes & speech acts associated with inquiry, developing formal & logical techniques for modeling these norms, & examining how the demands of inquiry shape the nature of scientific representation & explanation.

Neuroscience majors also get to learn with faculty who primarily teach in other departments, such as Chemistry, Philosophy, and Psychology:



Dr. Larryn Peterson



Dr. Katie White

Core Requirements (take all)

Foundations of Chemistry & Lab Chem 120&125L

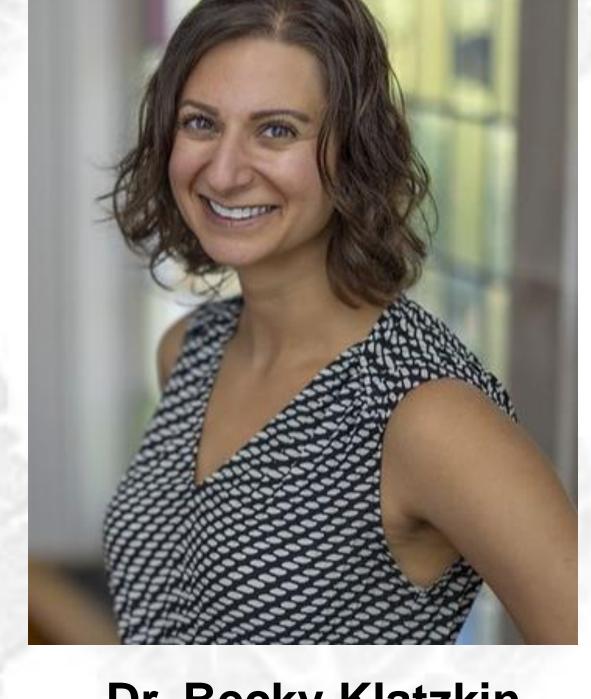
Biology I & Lab Biol 130&131L Biology II & Lab Biol 140&141L

Psyc 150 Introduction to Psychological Science

Psyc 211 or Math 211 Statistical Methods

Neuroscience (prereq: Biol 130/40, or Psyc 150) Neur 270

Neur 485 or 486 Senior Seminar



Dr. Becky Klatzkin examines the physiological and psychological mechanisms underlying stress-induced eating to understand why some people eat more and some people eat less when stressed.

Depth Requirements (take two from different categories)

Biology (prereq: Biol 130 and 140) Neuroscience (prereq: Psyc 150, Biol 130, Biol 140)

Neur 300 + Lab Topics in Neuroscience Biol 376+Lab Molecular/Cellular Neuroscience Neur 319 + Lab Sensory Neurobiology Biol 377+Lab Developmental Neuroscience

Psychology (prereq: Psyc 150)

Neur 344+Lab Neuroscience of Sleep Neur 345+Lab Cognitive Neuroscience

Breadth Requirements (take two, or one plus a third depth)

Medicinal/Computational Chemistry (must choose Neuroscience-related independent project) Chem 411+Lab

Topics in Neuroscience Neur 299

Neur 451/452 Independent Research in Neuroscience (4 total credits required)

Neur 318 Clinical Neuroscience (prerequisite: Neur 270)

Foundations of Artificial Intelligence Phil 219 Philosophy of the Cognitive Sciences Phil 312

Pharmacology

Psychopathology & the Brain (prerequisite: Psyc 200) Psyc 317

Psyc 216 Perception

Chem 416

Psyc 327 Cognitive Processes (prerequisite: Psyc 150 and Psyc 211)

Memory and Memory Disorders Psyc2xx

Electives (take two, or substitute with extra depth or breadth courses)

Computer Science I or II Animal Development (w/ lab) Comp 141/142 Biol 355 Animal Behavior (w/ lab, F11 course) Psychology of Addiction **Biol 321** Psyc 218 Psychology of Health Biol 303 or 304 Genetics (304 is w/lab) Psyc 220 **Biol 307** Cell Biology Psyc 224 Psychological Disorders Psychology of Aging Molecular Biology (w/ lab) Biol 325 Psyc 231 Independent Research (4 credits of research Animal Physiology (w/ lab) Xxxx 451/452 Biol 340 Biochemistry Chem 315

in another department/program as approved by the Neuroscience committee)



For more information, see the Rhodes College Neuroscience website here

