

Online MS Psych Newsletter

From the Director's Desk

Spring 2022

Greetings!

I am thrilled to be the new director of this fabulous, Online MS in Psychology program. There are two very exciting opportunities on the horizon I would like to share with you. First, the research track that was piloted this past fall was a resounding success and, as a result, in the upcoming fall we will select a second research track cohort. Students invited to participate will engage in advanced coursework leading up to the culminating research experience in the 2023 Spring-B Session. Invitations won't go out until August, but if you think you might be interested, we recommend that you enroll in PSY 515 as an elective during the Summer-B Session.

Second, for the first time we will be offering a scholarship to one Online MS in Psychology student! The stipend-only scholarship will coincide with a 20-hour per week position as a Graduate Student Assistant (GSA) during the 2022-2023 academic year. Be on the lookout for more details and information on how to apply.

I hope this past year has been less challenging for you in terms of navigating the pandemic, and that 2022 has brought a more optimistic outlook as we begin to return to normalcy. The faculty and I continue to be inspired by the dedication to the program and motivation to excel you have demonstrated, even in the most difficult of times. Keep up the great work, stay strong, and be well.



Karen J. Weston
Director, Psychology Digital
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Alumni Spotlight: Adel Geow



Adel Geow is a recent alumni of the Online MS Psych program. Her desire to help people motivated her to pursue a master's degree in psychology. Her current research focuses on mental health outcomes of social media users, cyberbullying, and mental health stigma. The Online MS Psych program helped her acquire more statistical knowledge and hands-on training that is fundamental to her research.

When Adele is not focused on her research, she enjoys reading and taking her dogs on hikes. She hopes that in the future, she can be a researcher in the social sector in Singapore and pursue research in the realm of education.

Psychology Colloquium Series

The spring psychology colloquium talks can be viewed at <https://newcollege.asu.edu/advising/graduate/psychology-masters-degree-online>

Dr. Monica Miller | U Nevada-Reno

Science of jury decisions: An inter-disciplinary approach to an everyday phenomenon

Dr. Brian Nosek | Center for Open Science

Culture change toward more open, rigorous, and reproducible research

Dr. Terri Orbuch | Oakland University

Science of healthy relationships over time

Faculty Spotlight: Dr. Taleen Der-Ghazarian

As a master's student in experimental psychology, Dr. Taleen Der-Ghazarian studied psychobiology, psychopharmacology, and neuroanatomy, which sparked her interest in neuroscience. Since earning her Ph.D. in Neuroscience on ASU's Tempe campus, she has been an online faculty member in the BA/BS and MS Online Psych Programs. She teaches statistics and research methods courses, along with several electives. What Dr. Der-Ghazarian likes most about ASU is the institution's pursuit of utilizing innovative tools and continuously striving to improve student success.



Outside of academia, she enjoys living peacefully on nearly 20 acres of land in Oregon and riding quads on the sand dunes at the Oregon coast.