Welcome New Faculty - Dr. Henrike Moll

Having studied psychology and philosophy in Marburg, Paris, Konstance, and Leipzig, I earned my PhD in 2006 working with Michael Tomasello at the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology. In my dissertation, I investigated gaze following in infants and their abilities to disambiguate others’ references and attentional foci on the basis of previous interactions.

In my present research, I explore the ontogenetic roots and early forms of perspective-taking. How do infants and young children come to understand different points of view and what are the cognitive prerequisites for this ability? My long-term research goal here at USC is to construct a developmental model of the early stages of children's understanding of perspectives in various domains, such as perceptual, epistemic and affective perspective-taking. A central idea that I want to argue for and test empirically is that perspective-taking emerges out of the skill to engage in joint attention with others—which is already present by around 1 year of age in humans, but seems to be absent in any other species.

Did You Know?

- Dr. Wendy Wood has received the Journal of Consumer Psychology best paper of the year award for her article “The Habitual Consumer.”

- Daryaneh Badaly (Advisor, Dr. David Schwartz) has received an APSSC student grant award.

- Dr. JoAnn Farver has received the 2012 USC Associates Award for Creativity in Teaching.

- Dr. Antonio Damasio has received the 2012 USC Associates Award for Creativity in Research and Scholarship.

- Dr. Irving Biederman’s "Source of Key Brain Function Located: How to Comprehend a Scene in Less than a Second" was featured on Science and Technology Updates.com, based on a Journal of Neuroscience paper by Jiye G. Kim and Irving Biederman (Kim, Biederman, & Juan, 2011). Also included is an interview with Irving Biederman Link: http://www.scientechupdates.com/2011/06/source-of-key-brain-function-located.html#.TvoCVpibD0c

- Dr. Mary Helen Immordino-Yang received a commendation from the County of Los Angeles for service to the education community.

- Dr. Wendy Wood and Dr. David Neal were recently interviewed on NPR, link: WAITING ON DAMON DUNBAR to give me a link: http://capture.usc.edu/mediasite/Viewer/?peid=0529a8ccedce49488130c9608847124f1d

- Dr. Rand Wilcox’s third edition of his book Introduction to Robust Estimation and Hypothesis Testing was published this month.

- SGM 631 Computer Lab now has comprehensive meta analysis software installed on computer # 22. Please check the front desk for room availability and contact Sandy if you need a omni lock code for SGM 631.
Have You Read Anything Good Lately?

- Kim, J., Biederman, I., & Juan, C-H. (2011). The benefit of object interactions arises in the lateral occipital cortex independent of attentional modulation from the intraparietal sulcus: a TMS study. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 31(22), 8320-8324


---

**Psychology Department**  
**Wednesday Morning**  
**Coffee Room SGM 501**

**Please Drop By**  
**9:30 AM - 10:30 AM**

**February 1 - Coffee Guest, Dr. Henrique Moll**

***9:00 am - 9:45 am***  
("""Dr Moll teaches at 10:00 am so we will have early coffee time!""")

**February 15 - Coffee Guest, Dr. Yaling Yang**

9:30 am - 10:30 am

*Articles are posted outside SGM 538*
Department of Psychology
~~~Colloquium Series Spring 2012~~~

- **January 31**
  Dr. Katie McLaughlin - *Harvard Medical School*
  *HNB 100 - 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm*

- **February 21**
  Dr. Gregory Quirk - *University of Puerto Rico- School of Medicine*
  *Keck Distinguished Lecture Series in Biological and Psychological Sciences*
  *HNB 100 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*

- **March 21**
  Dr. Kevin Ochsner - *Columbia University*
  *HNB 100 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*

- **May 8**
  Dr. Sheri Mizumori - *University of Washington*
  *Keck Distinguished Lecture Series in Biological and Psychological Sciences*
  *HNB 100 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*

**Lunch Series - Preparing Future Faculty - GASP**

- **February 14**
  USC Graduates in Academic Jobs
  *Dr. Jaclyn Ronquillo, Dr. Joseph La Brie, Dr. Chandra Reynolds, Dr. Sherry Span*
  *SGM 414 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*

- **March 20**
  Networking at Professional Conferences
  *SGM 414 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*

- **April 10**
  Writing a Research Statement
  *SGM 414 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*

**GASP NEWS**

- **February 2**
  *GASP MEETING* - SGM 901 - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

- **February 9**
  *GASP Happy Hour & USC Basketball Game*
  USC vs CAL
  Happy Hour at The Lab - 6:00 pm

- **February 23**
  *GASP Movie Night* - Time and Place TBA

*Have an idea for GASP event or program? Contact Susan Geffen - sgeffen@usc.edu*

REMEMBER to Check the Department Website Calendar for more details
http://dornsife.usc.edu/psych/around_the_department/departmental-calendar.cfm