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# PGSC BUZZ

## Newsletter



## NEW YEAR, NEW NAMES, NEW GOALS

### PSYCOGS -> PGSC (PSYCHOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL)

A PGSC newsletter is a great way to keep our graduate students, abreast of what's happening at School of Psychology and around Atlanta. We rebranded and changed the name from PSYCOGS (PSYchology Committee Of Graduate Students) to PGSC (Psychology Graduate Student Council) to make it sound more comprehensive to all psychology graduate students. **Here is who we are:**

**President:** Matthew Scalia (EP)

**Vice President:** Jenny Egan (I/O)

**Treasurer:** Jeffrey Yaun (CBS)

**Social Chair:** Emily Gleaton (EP)

**Secretary:** Zhi "Emily" Chai (Quant)

**Faculty Representative:** Lauren Moran (I/O)

**First-Year Mentor:** Lauren Moran (I/O)

**First-Year Representative:** Abigail Neuman (CBS)

**Faculty Advisor:** Scott Moffat, Ph.D.

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi everyone, I hope you're all excited for the beginning of the semester and to hit the ground running! Everyone here on PGSC has been eagerly waiting to share our updates and see everyone at our various events throughout the semester.

Last semester we hosted several social events, helped get our newest cohort acclimated, created t-shirts, and sent out the graduate student survey. While we're glad these items were accomplished, there was a lot happening behind the scenes. The applied speaker series is starting soon, and we are still taking recommendations for speakers (you can submit recommendations in the comment section of the newsletter). We have also been working with SGA to create a budget with the school so we can host better events for everyone next year. Additionally, we have continued to attend faculty meetings and meet with our new chair, Dr. Tansu Celikel. However, our biggest item has been the PSYCOGS rebrand into PGSC. All of us want PGSC to be more involved and have a greater impact with students and the department. We hope that as the semester unfolds and we re-introduce ourselves that everyone can learn who we are, what we do, and become more involved in the department and the greater Georgia Tech and Atlanta community.

Please stay tuned for more updates, read our monthly newsletters, and reach out to us with any questions, comments, or recommendations.

Sincerely,

*Matthew Scullie*



## WHAT'S NEW?

THE NEW CHAIR OF THE SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY: **TANSU CELIKEL, PH.D.**

NEW NAME OF COGNITIVE AGING: **ADULT DEVELOPMENT**

## STUDENT SHOUTOUTS

Clifford Hauenstein & Dr. Susan Embretson published "A Mixture Explanatory IRT Model for Dynamic Processes" (DOI: [10.1080/00273171.2021.2011699](https://doi.org/10.1080/00273171.2021.2011699)) on *Multivariate Behavioral Research*

Have you or another student completed a milestone, published a paper, received a grant, etc.? We'd love to include your accomplishments in the next volume! It's a great way for all of us to cheer on our peers and keep up to date. Submit a shoutout using the link below.

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## UPCOMING PGSC EVENTS

Wed, Jan 19th at 6pm: Social Dinner @ Ray's New York Pizza on Tech Square

**[RSVP HERE](#)**

We'll be adding more events as the semester continues. We hope to see you there!

## ATL HAPPENING

**Sat, Jan. 22nd:** Atlanta Winter Wine Festival. Wine festival at City Winery, with samples of local and American wines, beers and ciders and live music. Ages 21+ only. [More Details](#)

**Jan. 22nd - 30th:** The Atlanta Opera: Pirates of Penzance. [More Details](#)

**Sat, Jan. 29th:** Lanta Gras, Annual musical Mardi Gras parade in Kirkwood to benefit music programs for local children. [More Details](#)

**Feb. 1st - 6th:** Virtual Event Black Film Festival Atlanta. Festival of Black and African diaspora film and filmmakers. [More Details](#)

**Feb. 3rd - 26th:** Shakespeare in the Ponce: Play at the Rolecall Theater, Ponce City Market. [More Details](#)

**Fri, Feb. 4th:** Alzheimer's Music Festival. Music festival at Buckhead Theatre to benefit the Dementia Spotlight Foundation. [More Details](#)

**Sat, Feb. 5th:** Atlanta Winter Beer Fest, Annual beer festival at Atlantic Station, with beers and cider from Atlanta, Georgia and other breweries, and live music. [More Details](#)

**Sat, Feb. 12th:** Uncorked Atlanta Wine Fest, Wine festival at Pullman Yards, with 50+ wine and craft beers, music and other activities. [More Details](#)



## ADDITIONAL EVENTS

Check out this [link](#).



## LEAVE A COMMENT

Have any thoughts about the newsletter? Suggestions or ideas for PGSC? Please let us know!

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