# RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES



Dr. Heather Butler hbutler@csudh.edu Phone: 310-243-3462 Office SBS G-303 Lab: SBS A-240

#### Areas of Research:

Research interests include human cognition, critical thinking, and psychology-law. Dr. Butler's previous work focused on the development an educational game that teaches scientific reasoning. She also does evaluation research aimed at assessing critical thinking and helping students prepare for life after college. Dr. Butler's work in psychology-law has emphasized the prevention of wrongful convictions, especially those resulting from improper or un-validated forensic evidence. For more information, please visit www.drheatherbutler.com



Dr. Giacomo Bono gbono@csudh.edu Phone: 310-243-3511 Office: SBS G-307 Lab: EAC 605

# Areas of Research:

General research focus is on how qualities of social relationships contribute to mental health, quality of life, and social development. As director of the Youth Gratitude Project (a research program that has received approx. \$2.5 million in grant funding since 2011), Dr. Bono's current focus is on creating 2 measures of gratitude for children, examining the development of gratitude, and testing the effects of promoting gratitude and purpose on students through a curriculum targeting preschools and grades 4-12. Dr. Bono is also interested in exploring the topics of positive parenting and other factors related to positive youth development and achievement, such as materialism, intrinsic motivation, and quality of social relationships, resilience and grit. Therefore, research is both basic and applied.



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#### **Areas of Research:**

Applied cognitive psychology and technology Cultural effects on thinking



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#### Areas of Research:

Interpersonal interactions and intimacy Cognitive dimensions of interpersonal interactions



Dr. Ashley Membere amembere@csudh.edu Phone: 310-243-3572 Office: SBS G-310 Lab: SAC 2123

# **Areas of Research:**

Research interests include the study of diversity and inclusion in the workplace with an emphasis on how individuals with multiple identities navigate the workplace, creation of interventions meant to promote inclusive and safe work environments, and employee well-being.



Dr. Erin Merz emerz@csudh.edu Phone: 310-243-3512 Office: SBS A-333 Lab: SAC 2152

#### **Areas of Research:**

Research interests include: psychological adjustment, coping, and quality of life in the context of health-related adversity and chronic illness; social and cultural determinants of health; the operationalization and measurement of psychosocial constructs related to health across language and culture.

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http://www2.csudh.edu/emerz/welcome.html



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#### Areas of Research:

Research interests include the examination of factors associated with addictive behaviors. Factors specifically targeted in Dr. Montes' research program include the role that identity, expectancies, motives, social norms, and negative affect pay in the initiation, maintenance, and cessation of addictive behaviors. Addictive behaviors of interest include alcohol, marijuana, and tobacco use (in addition to gambling). Dr. Montes' program of research aims to develop more efficacious interventions to reduce the risks associated with substance use and behavior addictions.



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#### Areas of Research:

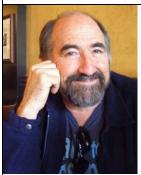
Areas of research include cultural and developmental influences on adolescents' college planning behaviors, mothers' childcare practices, and ethnic health psychology. Dr. Hurtado is currently the co-Principal Investigator of a National Institute of Health funded project concerning Latinos at risk for Type-2 diabetes.



Dr. Keisha Paxton kpaxton@csudh.edu Phone: 310-243-3411 Office: SBS A-330 Lab: SBS B-232B

# **Areas of Research:**

Research interests include sexual risk behavior among African American youth and women, health promotion intervention development, minority and women's mental health.



Dr. Larry Rosen lrosen@csudh.edu Phone: 310-243-3427 Office: SBS G-311 Lab: SBS B-241A

#### **Areas of Research:**

Psychological impact of technology: focusing on social networking activities, parenting, generational differences in values and media use, media multitasking and task switching in the classroom, video game playing, and the impact of electronic communication.



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#### Areas of Research:

Research interests include the study of health (physiological and psychological) and culture as well as issues related to ethnic identity and psychological and academic adjustments. Dr. Santos is currently the co-Principal Investigator of a National Institute of Health funded project concerning Latinos at risk for Type-2 diabetes.



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#### Areas of Research:

Work in adolescent health behavior Mental health for child and adolescent populations



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# **Areas of Research:**

Multicultural neuropsychology; The development and use of performance validity indicators; Impact of early life experiences on neurocognitive development and emotion regulation.



Dr. Philip Vieira pvieira@csudh.edu Phone: 310-243-3271 Office: SBS A-341 Lab: NSM C101

# **Areas of Research:**

Research projects include drug biosensor development for use in the central nervous system; individual difference in drug pharmacokinetics; sex-related differences in drug reward preference; epigenetics of drug addiction.