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## Symposium

**August 4, 2023**

**107, Brogden Psychology Building**



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## 2023 cohort

10:00 am Welcome - Brad Postle

10:05 **Gabrielle Walker** (Li Lab) Howard University  
*Gene-environment interactions on trajectories of externalizing behaviors in African Americans*

10:20 **Amanda M. Cox** (Gernsbacher/Lupyan Labs) Northeastern Illinois University  
*"Psychopathology" versus "Abnormal": Empirically testing the differences*

10:35 **Obsune Usso** (Niedenthal Lab) Macalester College  
*Due to differences in experiences, do certain groups make their facial expressions more interpretable than others?*

10:50 **Blanca Montoya** (Brauer Lab) California State University, San Bernardino  
*Social Norms, Referent Groups, and Support for Regulating CO<sub>2</sub>*

11:05 **Dalia Marquez** (Saffran Lab) The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*Caregiver factors matter when comparing vocabulary checklists and looking-while-listening*

11:20 **Ashley Briceno** (Alibali Lab) St. Olaf College  
*Investigating children's perception of integer magnitudes: Does a lesson with number lines help?*

11:35 **Alejandra Armaiz Ávila** (Green/Vlach Labs) University of Puerto Rico Río Piedras  
*Does font size play a role in metacognition and memory?*

11:50 **Alina Tran** (Green/Schloss Labs) California State University, Long Beach  
*Perceptual Learning: Dark-is-more Bias and Generalization*

## Alumni Mentors

1:30 pm Welcome - Brad Postle

1:35 **Natalia Husby, MS** (PREP Class of 2016)  
*Business Development Manager*  
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1:45 **Roshni Patel, BS** (PREP Class of 2019)  
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1:55 **Dariana Gil Hernández, BA** (PREP Class of 2020)  
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2:05 **Jordyn Williams, BA** (PREP Class of 2020)  
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2:15 **Ariana Stickel, PhD** (PREP Class of 2011)  
*Assistant Professor*  
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2:25 **Darwin Romulus, PhD** (PREP Class of 2015)  
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2:35 **Amanda Acevedo, PhD** (PREP Class of 2011)  
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2:45 **Roundtable Discussion**