



# PSY UGRAD NEWSLETTER

April 8, 2026



## YOU'RE ALMOST THERE! LET'S FINISH STRONG!

**PSY Spartans,**

It's the final stretch of the semester! Don't wait until the last minute to start preparing for final exams and assignments! We recommend creating a finals study plan to break your tasks and materials into manageable chunks over time. This helps to avoid the stress and burnout that comes with cramming. Remember: self-care is part of success! Get started with these templates!

**Need help creating your strategy?** PSY Student Success Mentors - experienced PSY juniors and seniors - are available during Support Hours to help you organize, review, and quiz yourself on your materials. Bring your textbooks, notes, or practice exams and leave with a clear game plan. **Beat cramming and finish strong!** View the Support Hours Schedule here.

## MARCH ADVISING ACCESS CHECK

Between March 1st and 31st, 54 no-shows and 30 last-minute cancellations resulted in 84 lost appointments—totaling **42 hours of advising time**, or the equivalent of over 5 full business days that could not be reallocated to other students. If you can't make your appointment, **canceled with at least 24 hours' notice** helps ensure other PSY students can access advising!

## IMPORTANT DATES

**April 15** First-Gen Stoling ceremony RSVP deadline

**April 17** Registration Deadline for Spring/Summer 26 Commencement Ceremony

**April 26** Spring 2026 Classes End

**April 27-May 1** Final Exams

**May 2** Spring/Summer 2026 Commencement Ceremony




## Meet with an Advisor


Schedule a **30-minute advising appointment**.

**Virtual Drop-In Advising**  
Monday-Friday, 1-3pm EST


## Stay connected

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## ATTENTION, SPRING AND SUMMER GRADUATES!



The CSS **Commencement Ceremony** will be held Saturday, May 2 at 6:30PM at the Breslin Center. Graduates are instructed to start assembling by 5:30PM and should plan to stay for the entire ceremony. The Breslin Center has a strict policy on what's allowed to be brought inside. Don't forget to **update your permanent address** to confirm your diploma is sent to the correct place, you can do so via the SIS portal.

The PSY department is pleased to offer **PSY Activity Graduation Cords** to students who have participated in PSY programs, including internships, research, mentoring, or committee service. **Complete this form to claim your cord** and celebrate your achievements. We appreciate your contributions and hard work during your time in PSY!



Are you a graduating first-generation Spartan? RSVP for the 2nd Annual **First-Generation Stoling Ceremony!**

We invite you to attend with a guest of your choice. They can be a family member, a friend, an advisor, an instructor – anyone who supported you during your time at MSU. They will be presenting you with your stole during the ceremony. Refreshments provided! **Learn more and RSVP by April 15<sup>th</sup> here.**

If you are not able to attend the ceremony, there will be an opportunity to pick up your stole at a later time.

As you prepare to graduate, remember that your career support doesn't end here. You can continue using the Career Services Network for two years post-graduation **for resume** reviews, cover letter feedback, interview preparation, and more. Learn more and stay connected here.

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**Career Services Network**

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR CURRENT AND GRADUATING STUDENTS

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Counseling and Psychiatric Services  
University Health and Wellbeing

### Student Mental Health Ambassador Program

Call for Applications for  
2026-2027

Counseling and Psychiatric Services (CAPS) is now accepting applications for the **Student Mental Health Ambassador (SMHA)** program for the 2026–2027 academic year. This student-led initiative offers hands-on experience in mental health outreach, training on topics like suicide prevention and communication skills, and opportunities to plan and lead campus wellbeing events. Twenty volunteer positions are available, including **SMHA Interns** and **Spartan Peer Counselors**. Applications are due May 1, 2026. Learn more and apply [here](#).

Interested in brain development across the lifespan? NEU 416 covers how the nervous system develops, with a focus on the interaction between genetics and environmental experiences. Students who have completed PSY 209, NEU 300 (IBIO 300), or NEU 302 are eligible to request an override for enrollment restrictions. View a sample syllabus [here](#). Request a course restriction override [here](#).



### FULBRIGHT US STUDENT PROGRAM: TEACH, STUDY OR RESEARCH ABROAD!

Considering an international experience after graduation? Learn more about the Fulbright U.S. Student Program at an upcoming info session, where you'll explore opportunities to **teach, study, or conduct research abroad with funding support**. Sessions will be held on April 9 (in-person with virtual option) and May 8 (virtual), and you only need to attend one. View April 9 session details [here](#), and May 8 session details [here](#).

Interested in cold case investigation and hands-on experience with law enforcement? Apply for the Fall 2026–Spring 2027 **Cold Case Unit Internship**, a unique partnership with the Michigan State Police, Lansing Police Department, and MSU's School of Criminal Justice. Selected seniors will work directly with detectives to organize case files, support investigations, and gain insight into real-world criminology practices. Applications are open March 25–April 8. Learn more and apply [here](#).



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Graduates! Help Michigan high school students achieve their college dreams! Join Michigan State University **College Advising Corps (MSUCAC)** as a **College Adviser**, mentor first-generation students, guide them through applications and financial aid, and earn a \$31,000 stipend plus a \$7,395 education award. Full-time positions available for August 2026 – June 2027. Learn more and apply [here](#).

The School of Human Resources and Labor relations are hosting a Master of HRLR information session on Zoom, April 10 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. ET

If you have any interest in possibly pursuing this graduate degree – make every effort to attend this virtual session!

Don't forget to [RSVP](#)



**Ignite minds.  
Build skills.  
Lead change.**

Join us live to learn about TFA Ignite!

**April 22, 2026  
8:00pm ET**

Register here:  
[engagetfa.org/ignite42226](https://engagetfa.org/ignite42226)

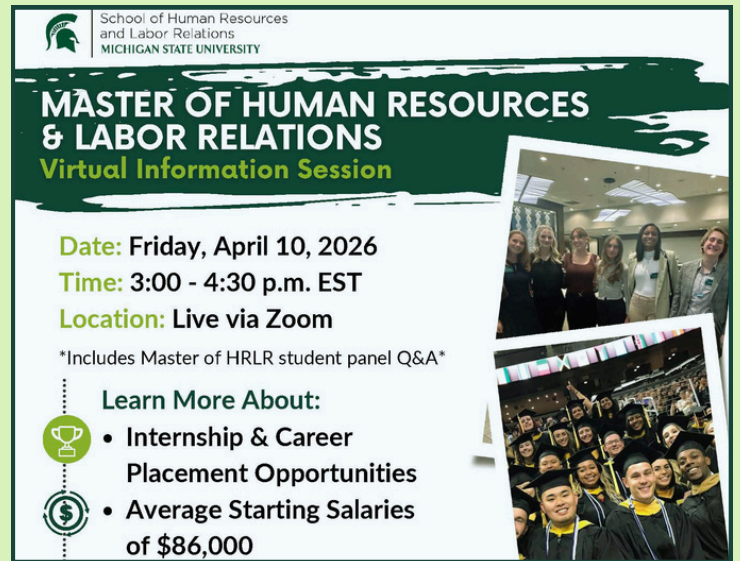
Dr. McAuley's TAP Lab is looking to recruit a handful of **undergraduate research assistants** for the Spring and Fall 2026 semesters. Learn more and apply [here](#).



**ADJust Lab**

Adolescent Development and the Justice System

Gain professional experience while supporting Lansing's Eastside community this Fall 2026! The **Allen Neighborhood Center** is hiring Fellows in **Community Farming, Engagement & Advocacy, Veggie Box CSA, Food Pantry & Farmers Market, and Youth Programs**. Each fellowship is 15 hours/week and compensated either via work-study (\$13.73/hour) or a \$650 stipend. Fellows assist with program management, community outreach, and event support. Applications are due **July 12**. Details and applications can be found on [Handshake](#).



School of Human Resources and Labor Relations  
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**MASTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES & LABOR RELATIONS**  
Virtual Information Session

**Date:** Friday, April 10, 2026  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. EST  
**Location:** Live via Zoom

\*Includes Master of HRLR student panel Q&A\*

**Learn More About:**

- Internship & Career Placement Opportunities
- Average Starting Salaries of \$86,000



Interested in building transferable skills while doing work that matters? Join [Teach For America](#) to learn about TFA Ignite, a paid, virtual opportunity to tutor K-12 students starting this fall!

Our Ignite team is hosting a virtual information session on April, 22, 8:00PM ET.

Remember to [register](#) to attend the session.

## **Join the Timing Attention & Perception (TAP) Lab!**

The ADJust Lab is looking to recruit **undergraduate research assistants** for a project involving **youth and the juvenile justice system**. Learn more and apply [here](#).



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