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Course Goals and Requirements  
Psy 863 is organized around the Distinguished Speakers in Cognitive Science and Cognitive Science Forum talks associated with the MSU Cognitive Science Program. The goal of this seminar is for students to use the speaker series and associated activities to help them become acquainted with some prominent examples of research currently being carried by cognitive scientists from various disciplines. 

Students are required to read the assigned readings associated with each of the talks, attend the pre-talk discussion, attend the distinguished speaker series talk, attend the graduate student lunch, and participate in a final summary discussion at the end of the semester. Please make sure to sign the participation sheet for each required event so that we have a record of your attendance. The schedule of required talks and final discussion for Fall 2017 is listed below.

- **Monday, October 2, 5:30pm – 6:30pm, 118 Psychology**  
  - Pre-talk discussion for Holekamp lecture

- **Monday, October 9, 12:00pm – 1:00pm, 230 Psychology**  
  - Graduate student lunch with Dr. Kay Holekamp

- **Monday, October 9, 5:30pm – 7:30pm, 230 Psychology**  
  - Dr. Kay Holekamp, Cognitive Science Distinguished Speaker Lecture

- **Monday, November 13, 5:30pm – 6:30pm, 118 Psychology**  
  - Pre-talk discussion for Patel lecture

- **Monday, November 20, 12:00pm – 1:00pm, 230 Psychology**  
  - Graduate student lunch with Dr. Aniruddh Patel

- **Monday, November 20, 5:30pm – 7:00pm, 118 Psychology**  
  - Dr. Aniruddh Patel, Cognitive Science Distinguished Speaker Lecture

- **Monday, December 4, 5:30pm – 6:30pm, 287 Psychology**  
  - General discussion

If you are not able one of the graduate student lunches, then you can substitute for this attendance at a cognitive science related talk at MSU; This talk must be from a colloquia series outside your home department and must be preapproved by myself or Kaylin Smith (smit2047@msu.edu). For the talk, you are required to submit, in email, a one-page summary that includes the name of the colloquia series, date of the talk, speaker, title, and a brief summary of the talk that is in your own words (this should not be the abstract of the talk). Each summary must be submitted in email to Kaylin Smith (smit2047@msu.edu) not later than within one week of the talk. You can find a list of cogsci related colloquia series at [http://www.cogsci.msu.edu/seminars.html](http://www.cogsci.msu.edu/seminars.html).