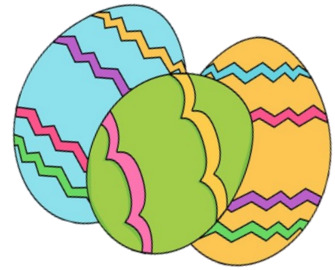




April 2022 Newsletter



CBS Professional Speaker Series

Thanks to everyone who attended the second session of the Professional Speaker Series on *Wednesday, March 23rd, 2022*. It was an excellent opportunity to learn how these three professionals built their careers in the field of behavioural science. We heard from three inspirational speakers: Scott Bark (Director of Autism Services, Kinark Child & Family Services), Gerry Bernicky (Director TRE-ADD, SSP, and Urgent Response Services, Surrey Place Centre), and Laura Cavanagh (Coordinator of the Behavioural Sciences program at Seneca College).

Highlights for Students

- Networking is essential! Make connections and communicate with those in your field. Remember, you never know who you may run into again in the future.
- How can I be successful in an interview? Prepare for your interview by researching the organization. Also, stand out! Don't be afraid to sell yourself and all of the qualities you have that would make you an excellent candidate for the position.
- Not sure what your future career will be? That is okay! There are lots of different paths and opportunities that will come up throughout your time in the field, just keep an open mind!

Thank You Cadence Cairns

Cadence, a graduate of our B Psych Program, worked with CBS as a Facilitator for 6 months and has recently moved on to other opportunities. Cadence contributed to several Faculty Research projects, assisted in updating our CBS website and developed materials for groups to be offered. Cadence took the lead in developing our monthly Newsletter and assisted in planning and delivering our Speaker Series. We wish Cadence well in her future work!

Student & Faculty Research: Interprofessional Collaboration

Research has indicated that working across disciplines allows professionals to provide the highest quality of services, improves client outcomes, enhances work life, optimizes costs, allows professionals to tackle complex situations, increases knowledge, skills, creativity, and innovation.

- Despite its well documented importance, there is little quantifiable research to support the most effective strategy to teach this skill.

To expand this area of research, Professor **Pamela Shea**, **Dr. Rajni Dogra** and **Dr. Kaela Shea** are conducting a study on interprofessional collaboration. The objective of this study is to explore the effectiveness of two interprofessional collaborative skill training projects, provided to students working within interdisciplinary teams.



These projects are being co-facilitated by interdisciplinary faculty within the fields of Behavioural Psychology, Business, and Engineering.

- Study one includes a simulation with teams from engineering students from the University of Toronto and Behavioural Psychology students from St. Lawrence College.
- Study two consists of an experiential learning project with students from Business and Behavioural Psychology from St. Lawrence College. The research will determine if the implementation of interprofessional education (IPE) will increase the interprofessional collaborative competency as well as create innovation and creative solutions for solving the complex problems.



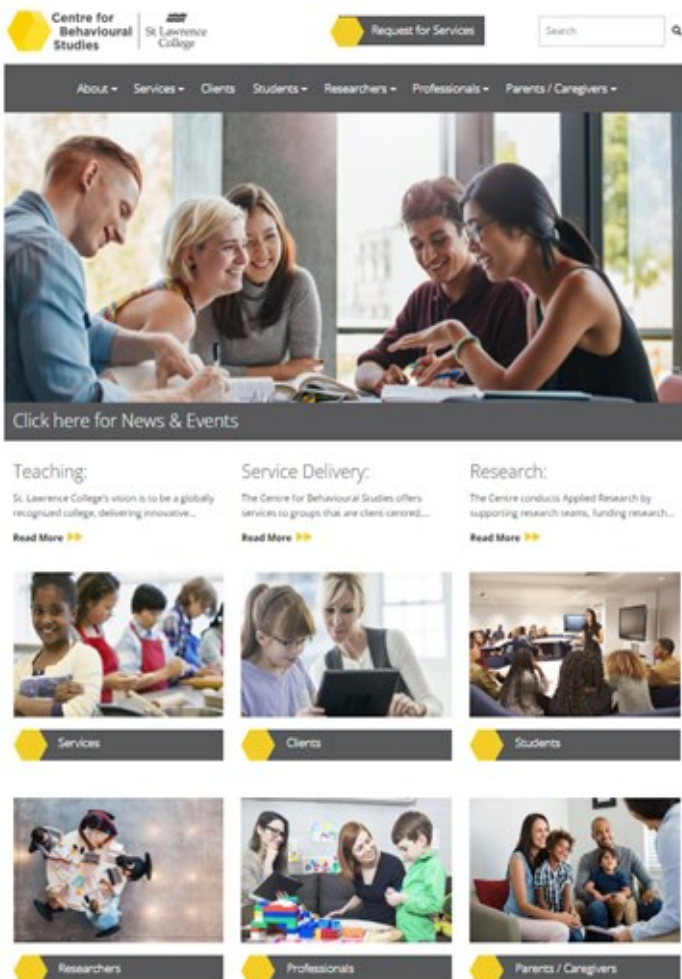
Stay tuned for the results!

Did you know about Behavioural Gerontology?

“Behavioral gerontology is the application of behavior analysis to age-related issues. Behavior analysts can work directly with seniors or with care staff to implement sustainable, non-pharmacological supports to enhance quality of life and care services, decrease challenging behaviors, maintain daily life skills, implement memory and language programs, preserve medication adherence, and prolong independence for medical conditions related to aging.”

Source: https://www.bacb.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Executive-Summary_220106.pdf

*Stay tuned for future
research on Behavioural
Science & Gerontology!*



Check Out Our Updated CBS Website!

We are happy to announce that our website is now updated! We have revised our CBS website to ensure it reflects our current goals, visions, and opportunities at CBS. We encourage you to check out our website to learn more about CBS and explore the opportunities and services we offer for students, faculty, and the community.



Click [here](#) to view the updated website & be sure to look at the [News and Events!](#)