KEYNOTE SPEAKER
"True Negative Psychology"

To read the psychological literature in recent decades is to come away with the impression that people are irremediably confident in their opinions, optimistic about their prospects, and self-assured about their ability to handle life's challenges. To the extent that less sanguine self-assessments are acknowledged, they are explained by "deep" processes like aberrant brain chemistry or unusually damaging past experience. But the people most of us encounter in our daily lives aren't nearly as self-assured as the recent literature suggests—they are plagued by self-doubt, worry frequently about the future, and fear that others are doing much better than they are. In this talk I will explore the origins of this sort of "true negative psychology" in a set of "shallow" psychological processes that influence the assessments of nearly all people, not just the few.

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    Severine Hex ’18 “Life History as a Predictor of Language: Investigating the Driving Factors Behind Convergent Evolution upon a Complex Linguistic System” (College Scholar) H *  
    Sarene Shaked ’18 “Judgments of Moral Willpower: How Self-Control Strategies Reveal Inner Character” (PSYCH) H *  
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    Kimaya Raje ’20 “The Role of the Rodent Medial Prefrontal Cortex in an Odor Categorization Task” (PSYCH)  
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    Rachel Mattessich ’20 “Temporal Relationship between Speech and Gesture” (HD)*  
    Sydney Galindez ’18 “Nonapeptide Receptor Distributions and the Functional Organization of the Hippocampus” (PSYCH)  
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    Daniel Rosenfeld ’18 “Vegetarianism and Beyond: Investigating How People Construe Meat Avoidance” (HD)*  
    Janet Wang ’18 “Can the Involuntary Excluder Effect be Prevented by Informing People about it?” (PSYCH) H * |
| 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM | KEYNOTE SPEAKER: PROF. GILOVICH  |                                                                            |

Key: H = Psychology Honors Student *=presenting both a talk and a poster