

2020-2021 **Annual Report** We believe in every person's **power to grow.**

PURPOSE

We envision a future with healthy **people**, healthy **relationships**, and healthy **communities**.

VISION

MISSION

Our mission is to educate psychologists today, who will transform our world

VALUES

We respect **every person.**Period.
We value genuine **relationships.**We **practice** what we teach.

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President's Message



Dr. Fran Brown, President

Last year we rode a rollercoaster of emotions as the COVID pandemic raged across the planet. While vaccines gave us hope, the challenge of trying to rein in the virus seemed almost insurmountable. As more people became vaccinated, institutions, businesses and restaurants re-opened; it looked like we were returning to some version of normalcy. Then a surge...and another. The storm clouds returned, as did anxiety, frustration, and even despair.

It's easy to see only the darkness of 2021. Many of us were, and still are, forced to face tremendous loss and grief; there is no denying it. Yet, when we look deeper we can also find light. Communities came

together to support one another. We've seen some progress on the social justice front, and a renewed focus on mental health. Many of us are connecting to the value of family and friends and examining our life priorities.

In this Annual Report you'll see that tenacity, resilience, and the humanistic spirit prevailed as we continued in our mission to educate psychologists today who will change our world tomorrow. Below are highlights of student, faculty and staff accomplishments during one of the most challenging times in our school's history:

- Preserved the health and safety of the MSP community with sound policy-making based on the science of managing COVID risk
- Completed our campus expansion and opened the long-anticipated Michigan School Psychological Clinic in its permanent, on-campus home
- Maintained full enrollment in all academic programs and held meaningful graduation events both online and in-person with social distancing
- Students provided nearly 33,000 hours of client services to the community while completing their clinical training
- Exceeded American Psychological Association (APA) accreditation standards for intern placement in APA accredited sites; 100% of doctoral interns matched in the profession's national internship match process
- Robust faculty and student research collaborations resulted in meaningful contributions to the field of psychology
- Advanced MSP's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) initiatives and published our formal DEI Statement
- Supported the launch of MSP's student-led Environmental Conservation Organization, the mission of which is to bring attention to the climate crisis and its impact on our work as psychologists
- Increased engagement with the APA Commission on Accreditation and the Michigan Licensing Board

I'm proud of the many good things that occurred at MSP during the 2020-2021 Academic Year. Together we upheld an exceptional learning environment without interruption, met academic goals, remained connected in meaningful ways, and continued to serve the community.

In closing I'd like to share the following quote by Mike Norton, award-winning author and military veteran:

"Never say that you can't do something, or that something seems impossible, or that something can't be done, no matter how discouraging or harrowing it may be; human beings are limited only by what we allow ourselves to be limited by: our own minds. We are each the masters of our own reality; when we become self-aware to this: absolutely anything in the world is possible."

I take these words with me into 2022, and wish you peace and success in overcoming whatever unexpected challenges this year brings. May we learn from the darkness, focus on the light, and appreciate all that life continues to offer.

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MSP Campus Expansion:

A Dream Come True!



The Diane S. Blau Building



Lecture Hall



Student Lounge

We are pleased to announce MSP's campus expansion with the completion of the Diane S. Blau Building, named for cofounder and President Emerita Dr. Diane Blau. It was a long road from start to finish, but realizing this long-held dream came from trusting the process – and from the contributions of many!

The building, also known as Building B, is located on land adjacent to our original structure. The former residential building has been renovated to house MSP's long-anticipated psychological clinic and a community event space. Our vision became a reality with the support of MSP's Board of Trustees, Dr. Blau's Foster the Future matching gift campaign, and generous gifts from our donors.

MSP took an outside in approach to construction, with Phase I focusing on site work, paving and landscaping. Phase II began in the Fall of 2019 with building demolition and reconstruction. Even with pandemic delays, construction shutdowns, and supply shortages, our building and facilities team persevered. Interior work, painting, and furniture installation in late 2020 was the final step to opening the building in February 2021.

At slightly over 6000 square feet, The Blau Building houses a lecture hall that holds close to 100 people, meeting and conference rooms, a student lounge area and individual offices. The Michigan School Psychological Clinic is housed on the first floor, with a private entrance, waiting room, therapy offices, and an Applied Behavior Analysis treatment room used to treat children diagnosed on the autism spectrum.

Many contributed to this success – donors, the Board of Trustees, Shaw Construction, S3 Architecture, and MSP's leadership, facilities, and information technology personnel. Generous donors named waiting and conference rooms, the ABA Treatment room, and a water feature that adds to the ambiance of the student lounge area. Others named benches, trees, and gardens that beautifully surround the new building,

A formal opening and welcome to the new building has been delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. "We're very proud and can't wait to share our new space and clinic with the larger community," states MSP President Dr. Fran Brown. "We're hoping to hold an open house and 40-year anniversary in the spring of 2022. Be sure to check our social media for updates."

The MSP Psychological Clinic:

Making a Real Difference in the Mental Health of the Community

The MSP Clinic, which originally opened in rented space, is now in its second full year of operation. In February 2021, the clinic moved to its permanent home in Building B, and is serving an ever-expanding client base:

- To date, more than 140 clients have taken advantage of the opportunity to receive high-quality, low cost mental health services delivered by MSP student trainees.
- In 2020-2021, the number of clients went from 5 in September to 70 by the end of the practicum year.
- Almost 1200 therapy sessions and 20 psychological assessments were conducted last year, and the ABA treatment room opened its doors to two preschool children.

Our clients primarily reside in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, and come from a variety of racial and cultural backgrounds including Black or African American, White, Asian, Middle Eastern/Arab American, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Hispanic, Latino, Latinx, and Spanish origin.

Clinic staff and students successfully adjusted to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic by offering therapy sessions via telehealth, and by following health and safety protocols that allowed for in-person psychological assessments and ABA services. According to Dr. Jim Maher, Director of MSP's Psychological Clinic, "In 2021-2022, we plan to offer in-person services to vaccinated clients 12 and older and maintain telehealth services as well," states Dr. Maher. "We hope to see revenue and donation increases that will allow us to provide even more low-cost services delivered within the culture of humanistic principles that has been established in the Clinic."

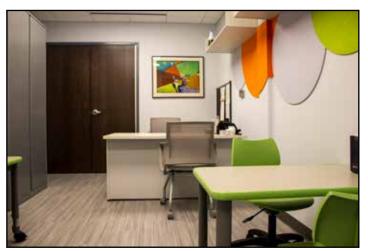


Dr. Jim Maher, Clinic Director

More information on MSP's Clinic Compassion Fund may be found here.



Clinic Entrance



ABA Treatment Room

Scholarship Awards

Scholarships are privately funded by alumni, employees, and friends and directly touch the lives of students. These awards recognize excellence in scholarship, support students from economically and ethnically diverse backgrounds, and honor those who demonstrate commitment and dedication to humanistic psychology. We are proud to showcase MSP's scholarship recipients for the 2020-2021 academic year.

The **Cereta Perry Scholarship** honors MSP's co-founder for her distinctive contribution to the institution and to the field of psychology. The award was established for the purpose of recruiting diverse students who have traditionally been underrepresented in the psychology profession. This year's recipients were Courney Cabell and Bettie Williams.



Doctoral Program: Bettie Williams



Master's Program: Courtney Cabell



Sierra Gillis

The **Jill Benton Humanistic Psychology Scholarship** honors Jill Benton, former MSP librarian and alumna, for her dedication to humanistic psychology. The JBHPS supports a PsyD student who is committed to advancing the science and practice of humanistic psychology as demonstrated by excellence in scholarship. This year's recipient was Sierra Gillis.

The Marjorie Scott Scholarship for Excellence was created in honor of faculty member Dr. Majorie Scott's endless commitment to excellence. This award is presented to a graduating student in each academic program who is selected for excellence in research, academics and clinical work. This year's recipients were George Chapp and Evan MacAdams.



Master's Program: Geroge Chapp



Doctoral Program: Evan MacAdams

Research at MSP: Bridging Theory & Practice

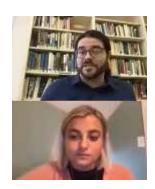
At the Michigan School, research is a fundamental pathway for the study of human experience. Students develop a lifelong appreciation and commitment to scholarship, and become critical consumers of scientific research.

Research bridges theory and practice. MSP's academic programs prepare students for evidence-based clinical interventions by focusing on the practical skill application, conducting empirical research, and developing an appreciation for lifelong learning. Through their research, students build collaborative relationships with colleagues and faculty, further develop their writing and presentation skills, and enhance their effectiveness as clinicians.

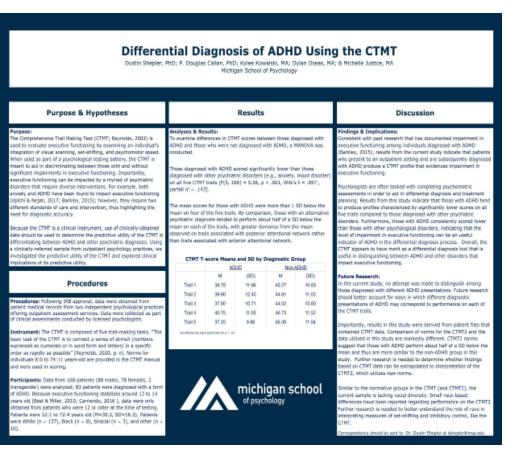


MSP is committed to the exploration of human development and behavior through application of qualitative, quantitative, and mixed method research. Faculty serve as mentors by creating faculty-student research teams that conduct and publish clinically purposeful studies, and together present their research at professional conferences alongside noted scholars and practitioners in the field.

During the 2020-21 academic year, MSP students and faculty published several peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters, and newsletter contributions. Several presented their research at conferences, contributed to the public discourse via blog posts and web site articles, and served on editorial review boards of peer-reviewed journals. As part of their degree requirements, doctoral students completed dissertations on an extensive range of psychological topics such as suicidality, chronic pain, teaching in the age of school shootings, and more.



Dylan Oseas (above) & Kylee Kowalski (below) presenting for Midwestern Psychological Association.



Library Expands Online Resource Collection and Virtual Services

The mission of MSP's Moustakas Johnson Library has always been to provide personalized service that ensures students and faculty have the academic, research, and clinical resources they need. That can be tough in a pandemic, but with perseverance, our library staff provided the excellent resources and service our library users have come to expect.

To support the all-virtual curriculum during COVID-19, the library pivoted to online service delivery and expanded and streamlined access to its extensive online collection of literature databases, e-books, and streaming videos. MSP librarians prioritized availability of electronic resources that can be accessed from anywhere at any time,

provided a large streaming video collection, and implemented an online testing and assessment platform for assessment courses. Scholarly databases we added and additional e-books were purchased. To help students and faculty access these electronic resources securely and seamlessly, a remote authentication system was implemented and MSP Gmail addresses provide a passport to all online library content. Zoom is now a feature of library service, with librarians offering individual virtual consultations.

The most challenging of times can present opportunities to reimagine that which has become routine. Thanks to the creativity of our library staff, these improvements to both library access and service are now embedded in the way the library does business – and the MSP community is better for it!



MSP Library Staff: Stephanie Swanberg (forefront), Jana Thompkins, Mike Diegel

Psi Chi International Honor Society

In academic year 2020-2021, MSP's chapter was once again named a Model Chapter by the International Honor Society in Psychology (Psi Chi). This is the fourth time MSP has received this honor, which is bestowed annually to only 50 chapters worldwide.

Psi Chi was founded in 1929 with the mission to encourage excellence in scholarship and advance the science of psychology (https://www.psichi.org/). In support of this purpose, MSP's chapter hosted a number of scholarly workshops and events, including: 1) the 7th Annual Research Symposium that featured the work of students, faculty, and professionals in the field; 2) a series about mental health in law enforcement; and 3) the launch of PsychTalk, the chapter's new podcast. The first episode centered on substance abuse disorder and featured core faculty member Dr. Ryan Blackstock, and Andre Johnson, PsyD student and Detroit Recovery Project CEO.

Philanthropy is an important component of psychological wellbeing, and our Psi Chi chapter modeled how to promote the welfare of others by addressing social issues. The chapter awarded funds to students in financial difficulty due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and four students received professional development grants. Psi Chi also partnered with the larger institution to raise money for the Michigan School Psychological Clinic Compassion Fund, which subsidizes payment for clients who struggle to meet even sliding scale fees. Finally, MSP's chapter collected items for The Foster Closet, a 501c3 organization that supports children in the local foster care system who often join their new foster families with little to no possessions. The Foster Closet provides items free of charge to help make the children's transitions less traumatic, and allow them to arrive at their new homes with a few items to call their own.

Community and Campus Engagement



Given the challenges of the past several months, MSP's vision of a future with healthy people, healthy relationships and healthy communities could not be more relevant. As the nation and world focus on individual and societal health, many relationships are suffering as a result of conflicting views and social isolation. Our institution's grounding in humanistic psychology, and focus on the importance of healthy relationships to the healing process, continues to guide us as we work toward making our vision a reality.

The increased challenge of building and maintaining relationships over the past academic year was met with commensurate determination and commitment. Students, faculty, and staff participated in online community

events, conferences, presentations, and study sessions. To combat social isolation, event programming included virtual yoga workshops, a running/walking initiative, self-care email campaign, trivia nights, photo contests, and incentives to get outdoors.

"The 2020-21 academic year brought unique challenges as we virtually welcomed a new cohort of students that had never stepped on campus. We wanted to create the supportive and nurturing environment that MSP is known for, even while being online," said Carrie Pyeatt, MSP's Coordinator of Admissions and Student Engagement. "We strengthened our cohort bonding activities, set up Zoom study sessions, and let students know they were not alone."

Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity Alliance

MSP's Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity Alliance (IDEA) is committed to facilitating ongoing discussions of multicultural issues related to professional psychology. The Alliance monitors public discourse on local, state, and national levels and explores how topics of diversity impact, and are impacted by, clinical practice and training. IDEA regularly welcomes presenters, including MSP alumni, to speak on social justice topics, including multicultural competency and working with marginalized populations.

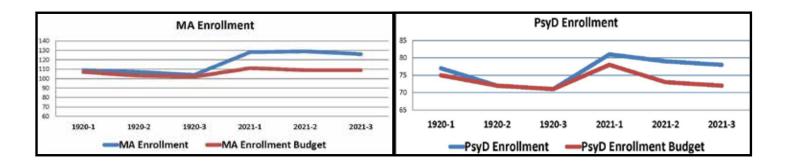
During a year of continued societal/racial unrest, IDEA's focus remained on raising awareness of social justice issues and advocating for change. Jasmine Perin, IDEA's 2019-20 President stated, "IDEA members recognized 2020 as a significantly challenging year and hosted an open dialogue for the MSP community to facilitate connection and healing." Twelve IDEA events were held in 9 months including, but not limited to, 10 Days of Advocacy programming, multiple email campaigns aimed at increasing activism, and participation in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive for Freedom, Justice, and Equity Parade. A presentation by Dr. Temple Grandin, prominent author and expert on both autism and animal behavior, provided insight about the challenges of navigating life with autism spectrum disorder. IDEA also helped increase awareness of accommodations needed for students celebrating Ramadan.

"Taking on multicultural issues head on is what I have always loved about IDEA; even when times are dark or hard, IDEA has been a consistent force," said Dr. Danielle Balaghi, Faculty Advisor to IDEA. "IDEA was impressively active this past year with many powerful programming events, such as hosting renowned professor Dr. Temple Grandin, and honoring the Transgender Day of Remembrance. It's always inspiring to work with students who yearn to make our community and field a better, more inclusive, space."

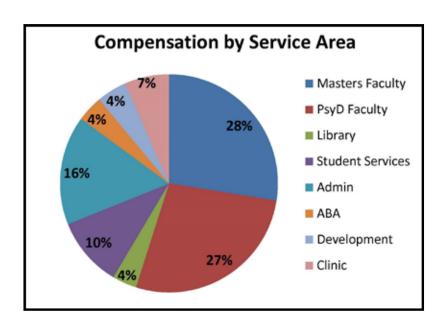
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Fiscal Year 2021 (September 2020 - August 2021)

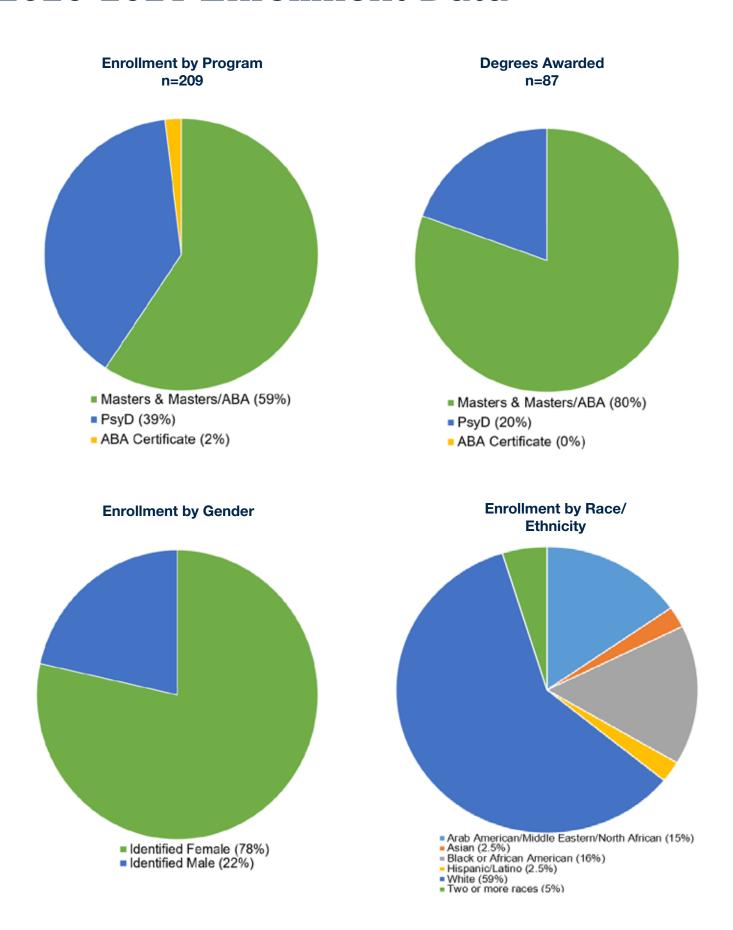
Tuition and Related Fees Trend Analysis					
	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual	
	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021	
Tuition and Related Fees	4,092,754	4,568,520	5,210,604	5,676,058	
Employee Wages and Fringe	2,873,817	3,086,033	3,397,095	3,774,756	
Percentage of Tuition and Related Fees	70%	68%	65%	67%	



Financial Position Fiscal Year End August 2021					
Cash					
Savings	2,044,519				
Checking accounts	242,817				
	2,287,336				
Investment	3,035,514				
Debt					
Current	160,646				
Long term	2,834,592				
	2,995,238				



2020-2021 Enrollment Data



With Gratitude to our Donors

September 2020 - August 2021

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MSP's PsyD program in clinical psychology is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the American Psychological Association (APA).

Questions related to the program's accredited status should be directed to the Office of Program Consultation and Accreditation:

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MSP's ABA courses are designated by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB) as an approved course sequence, and the BACB has verified that MSP's ABA coursework sequence meets the academic requirements for students intending to sit for examination to become Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs).



Graduates of this certificate program are eligible to sit for the international exam to become a Board Certified Behavior Analyst upon independently attaining the required supervised experience in ABA.

Non-Discrimination Policy

MSP does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, culture, religion, sex, age, gender identity, socio-economic status, national origin, language, sexual orientation, veteran status, genetic information or ability status in recruiting and admitting students, hiring employees, or in operating any of its programs.

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