



**GEORGE M. HASLERUD
UNDERGRADUATE
RESEARCH CONFERENCE**

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George Haslerud (1906-1990) began his career in psychology with a Bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota in 1930. After completing his dissertation on creative transfer in 1934, he took a position at the Institute of Human Relations at Yale University where he pursued an interest in primate behavior. In 1936 he became an assistant professor at the University of Tennessee where he married Ethlyn Hurd and began a family. In 1945, they moved to New Hampshire where Haslerud joined the Psychology Department.

Both George and Ethlyn were founding members of the New Hampshire Psychological Association. Haslerud made many contributions to the Department of Psychology here at UNH. He was a general psychologist who spent a great deal of time mentoring students and teaching a range of courses, sending many of his students on to graduate schools and careers in psychology. Haslerud also brought with him an important global perspective, twice receiving Fulbright Fellowships for study abroad. He maintained an interest in department and university activities until his death in 1990. It is in honor of this important UNH educator that we acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of current UNH undergraduates today.

PROGRAM

1:00pm OPENING REMARKS

SERGIOS CHARNTIKOV

Associate Professor of Psychology

MICHELE DILLON

Dean of the College of Liberal Arts

1:30pm RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS, McConnell, Room 220

VIRGINIA ELIZABETH SCHWARZ

Examining Curiosity and Explanatory Evaluations Across
Religious and Non-Religious People

Faculty Advisor: Emily Grace Liquin

KARA ELIZABETH DUDLEY

AI and the Illusion of Knowledge? How AI-Assisted
Searching Affects Confidence and Curiosity

Faculty Advisor: Emily Grace Liquin

RYAN ELIZABETH MORAN

Hey, Siri: How Companionate AI Usage Affects Social
Satisfaction and Personal Intelligence

Faculty Advisor: John D. Mayer

CAROLINE MARTHA STACK

After the Impact: Balance Function in Women with
Repeated Concussions

Faculty Advisors: Daniel Seichepine, Brett Gibson

ROWAN ALEXANDRA ANDERSON

Leaving Religion, Leaving Bias: Religious
Deidentification and Transprejudice

Faculty Advisor: Marah Al-Kire

1:30pm RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS, McConnell, Room 245

RICHARD IAN GULBANKIAN

The Relationship Between Trauma Impact and Alcohol Demand and the Role of Human Resilience

Faculty Advisor: Sergios Charntikov

KALEIGH SHAE DOONEY

Age of Awareness of Caregiver, Sibling, or Peer Substance Misuse in Relation to Self-Reliance

Faculty Advisor: Kimberly Jeanne Mitchell

MARISSA MONTAGNA

Rule Breaking in Corporations: Does Leadership and Seriousness Make a Difference?

Faculty Advisor: Ellen S. Cohn

MIA NAVARRO RYDER

Screen Time vs. Green Time: How Does Media and Nature Exposure Impact Next-Generational Social Interaction?

Faculty Advisor: Lisa Jones

3:00pm RECEPTION, McConnell, Room 456

Refreshments

Thank you for sharing in this event!

Your participation has helped make it a success!