MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Substance Abuse Research Center
at the University of Michigan

Date:

Name: [Blank]

Degree: [Blank]

Rank and/or Title: [Blank]

Department and Discipline (Primary Appointment): [Blank]

School/College/Unit: [Blank]

Other Appointments: [Blank]

Campus Address: [Blank]

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Unique Name and E-mail Address: [Blank]

Please provide the following information that will be included in the membership directory to inform other members of your experience and interest.

1. A brief description of your current work (e.g. ongoing research, teaching activities, job description, clinical role, student major, career plans). Please check here if you are interested in affiliate membership only. Affiliate (non-voting) membership is available to any individual who does not wish to be active in the Center but wish to be kept informed of the Center activities. Affiliates will receive information about Center events.

2. A brief summary of your previous experience or background in the area of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs that is not covered in item #1.

3. Two to three phrases or sentences describing your areas of interest in the substance abuse field that are not covered in item #1, including (where relevant) research, teaching, clinical, counseling, policy, service delivery, etc.

4. Key words that could be used in electronic searches to identify your work.

The success and vitality of UMSARC depends on individual member participation in some fashion. The following is a listing of the types of participation possible. Please indicate which activities would be of most interest to you.

- Governance (Executive or Other Committee)
- Teaching/Training Students & Fellows
- Identifying a Center-Based Project
- Seminar Participation
- Research
- Training
- Other (Please Specify): [Blank]
- Counseling
- Clinical/Service Delivery
- Other (Please Specify): [Blank]
- Proposal Writing
- Collaborating on a Project
- Other (Please Specify): [Blank]

Please return this application with a copy of your curriculum vitae (you are also invited to provide 2-3 articles which reflect your work) to:

Substance Abuse Research Center, 475 Market Place, Suite D; Ann Arbor, MI 48108-1649. Application also available on our website: www.umich.edu/~umsarc.

Substance Abuse Research Center (UMSARC)

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This application is one of many that have been received by the Membership Office of the University of Michigan (UM) for UMSARC. We will review the application(s) and forward them to UMSARC for consideration. All applicants will be notified of the status of their application(s) in a timely manner.

Inside This Issue:

It's Coming: The 2003 Student Life Survey

UMSARC will be launching the 2003 Student Life Survey: Beliefs, Behaviors and Substance Use in March, 2003. The year’s survey will be conducted entirely over the internet (web) and will build upon past studies conducted at the University of Michigan in 1993, 1999 and 2001.

The 2001 Student Life Survey revealed several advantages of using a web-based approach over a more traditional U.S. mail-based approach for collecting data among undergraduate students including a higher response rate, lower cost and faster turnaround time (McCabe et al., 2002). For instance, in 2001, over 50% of our web sample had completed the survey within a few days of receiving the e-mail invitation. Additionally, the survey has already been programmed on the web and this will reduce costs substantially for this year's project.

The 2003 Student Life Survey is expected to produce the largest sample ever collected at an individual college or university in the United States. Most importantly, the study will provide valuable information to the university community such as the current prevalence of alcohol and other drug use among undergraduate students, the identification of subgroups at greatest risk for serious consequences associated with substance use, and the data necessary to evaluate ongoing prevention and intervention efforts.

UMSARC researchers have taken tremendous measures to ensure privacy to student participants and confidentiality for data so please encourage undergraduate students to participate in the Student Life Survey this spring.


For more information on the Student Life Survey please go to our website or contact either of the Principal Investigators:

Sean Ezrinan McCabe, Ph.D. (plus@umich.edu) or Carol J. Boyd, Ph.D. (carolboyd@umich.edu).

Controlled Substances Act Summary

On October 14th and 15th 2002, UMSARC sponsored the Controlled Substances Act (CSA). Our guests included, Drs. David Courtwright, William McAllister and Joseph Spillane.

On October 14th, Drs. Courtwright, McAllister, and Spillane presented their respective papers to an audience of 55.

* Dr. Joseph Spillane, Associate Professor, Criminology and History, Center for Studies in Criminology and Law, University of Florida. Presented on "The Origins of the CSA: What Was It Intended to Do?"

On October 15th, a 4 hour, working Roundtable included many of UMSARC’s trainees and faculty.

Attendees were enthusiastic about the event and many of UMSARC’s faculty intends to continue discussions about the CSA.
Research Focuses on Alcohol and Sleep Problems

In research funded by NIAAA and the National Institute of Health, Dr. Kirk Brower, Principal Investigator with the University of Michigan Addiction Research (UMARC), is examining whether gabapentin can improve sleep during early recovery from alcohol dependence. Insomnia is common among individuals with alcoholism, and is a robust predictor for relapse. Traditional alcohol treatment programs seldom address sleep problems. This may be due, in part, to the fact that certain medications used to promote sleep carry their own risks for addiction and are, therefore, contraindicated in substance-abusing populations. If gabapentin helps to improve sleep, then sobriety and its benefits may be easier to achieve. For more information about this study or to refer a potential subject, call Stacy Bitterburg, Research Assistant, at (734) 930-2021, ext. 236, or contact her via e-mail: stacyb@med.umich.edu.

Independent Scientist Award

The National Institute on Drug Abuse announced this fall that Susan Murphy is the recipient of an Independent Scientist Award (K02). Susan will use her award to further her work on individually tailored treatments in substance abuse. This newly developing area holds long-term promise in increasing the efficacy of psychosocial and drug treatment strategies for chronic and relapsing disorders such as addictions and mental illness. Tailored treatments resemble clinical practice in that does and treatment type is assigned according to the time-varying need of the client. The career award is an honor in itself, but doubly so for Susan, who is the first statistician over to receive such an award from NIDA.

Myth of the Month

The new year brings new initiatives from HPCR, including our Myth of the Month program. Some of you will remember the SAPAC Myth of the Month program from many years ago. This media campaign is a take-off on that and is designed to bust commonly held myths related to alcohol and other drugs. The ultimate goal, in combination with other initiatives, is to reduce alcohol and other drug-related harm to alcohol and other drugs. The ultimate goal, in combination with other initiatives, is to reduce alcohol and other drug-related harm.

New Paths to Recovery Program

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) are bringing their national education program to Detroit on February 3, 2003 to spread the word to physicians and patients alike about a new office-based treatment option for opioid addiction. The community education campaign, called “New Paths to Recovery,” will raise the public’s awareness about buprenorphine, and inform doctors of the qualifications necessary to administer the medication from their offices. One of those qualifications includes participating in an approved training session, which will be held in Detroit later this year. Details on this training session will be posted at www.buprenorphine.samhsa.gov as they become available.

The New Paths to Recovery community education forum will be held Monday, February 3, 2003 from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 13th Floor Auditorium. Woodward Avenue and will feature speakers: U.S. Senator Carol Levin; H. Westley Clark, M.D., The director of CSAT; and Charles Schuster, Ph.D. (Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neuroscience, Wayne State University - School of Medicine), who has conducted a number of clinical research projects demonstrating the efficacy of buprenorphine for the treatment of opioid addiction.

You may register to attend the community education forum by calling (877) 752-5671.

Toast to a Healthy Heart?

A new study published in the New England Journal of Medicine by UMSARC member Dr. James Weber and colleagues reports that patients presenting to the hospital with chest pain are at low-risk for heart attack or death provided there is no evidence of arterial blockages or other cardiovascular problems after a 12 hour observation period. Study data show that in the 30 days following hospital admission for cocaine-associated chest pain, none of the patients died of a heart attack, and the 4 patients who suffered from heart attacks had continued to use cocaine.

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NIDA Proseminar Series

The University of Michigan Substance Abuse Research Center has begun the NIDA Proseminar Series, which includes various speakers who give presentations to faculty and staff, and UMSARC’s fellows, who are required to attend. The presentations are on Wednesdays from 2:00-4:00 PM in the conference room at the Substance Abuse Research Center. Guests are welcome!

January 15, 2003

Introductions

Carol J. Boyd, Ph.D.

PLEASE BRING TWO SYMBOLS OF YOUR DISCIPLINE/RESEARCH TO THIS FIRST SEMINAR. BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THEIR RELEVANCE TO YOUR WORK.

January 22, 2003

“This is Your Brain on Drugs: Cocaine Alters Gene Expression in Dopamine Cells”

Sharon Michelaugh, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor

Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

Wayne State University

January 29, 2003

“The Relationship between Sexual Identity and Substance Use within Young Adults”

Sean Esteban McCabe, Ph.D., M.S.W

Assistant Research Scientist

Substance Abuse Research Center

University of Michigan

February 5, 2003

“Freedom of Information Act”

Lew Morrissey

Chief, Freedom of Information Act Officer, OFFVP Communications

University of Michigan

February 12, 2003

“Stolen Streets and Promised Lands”

Luke Biermann, Ph.D.

Anthropology/UMSARC Pre-Doc. Fellow

University of Michigan

February 19, 2003

Cocaine associated chest pain: All that it’s “cranked” up to be?

James Weber, DO

Emergency Medicine

University of Michigan

February 26, 2003

No seminar

March 5, 2003

“Adolescent Psychosocial Development and Young-Adult Driving Problems”

Ray Bingham, Ph.D.

Assistant Research Scientist

Psych Substance Abuse

University of Michigan

Jean Shope, Ph.D.,

Senior Associate Research Scientist

Transportation Research Center

University of Michigan

March 12, 2003

The impact of the “women’s set-aside” in the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant

Beth Reid, Ph.D.

Associate Professor

School of Social Work

University of Michigan

Bill Birdtail, Ph.D.

Professor Emeritus

School of Social Work

University of Michigan

March 19, 2003

“Preventing Alcohol-Related Consequences through Protective Behaviors: A Study of Undergraduate College Students’ Alcohol Involvement”

Jorge Delva, Ph.D., M.S.W

Assistant Professor

School of Social Work

University of Michigan

March 26, 2003

“Cocaine-induced Mood Disorders: Neurobiology and Clinical Significance”

Kerley Little, Ph.D.

Associate Professor

Department of Psychiatry

University of Michigan

April 2, 2003

Student Presentations

April 9, 2003

Student Presentations

April 16, 2003

Student presentations

April 23, 2003

Student presentations

April 30, 2003

Student presentations

May 7, 2003

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