

Monthly Training Grant Breakfasts, Fall 2017

Selected Wednesdays at 9:00 AM (see dates below)

September 13

Dr. Michael Wasserman, Assistant Professor, IU Department of Anthropology

<http://www.indiana.edu/~anthro/people/faculty/mdwasser.shtml>

“Endocrine-Active Phytochemicals in Primate Diets: Prevalence Across the Order”

Dr. Wasserman will discuss his research which focuses on ecological and evolutionary relationships between wild primates and their estrogenic plant foods, with relevance to understanding the roles of endocrine disruptors in primate conservation, human evolution, and modern human health and diet.

October 11

Dr. Kurt Zemlicka, Lecturer, IU Department of English

<https://indiana.academia.edu/KurtZemlicka/CurriculumVitae>

“It’s a Matter of Time: Speed, Rhetoric, and the Prospect of a Public Bioethics in the Age of CRISPR”

Dr. Zemlicka will discuss his research on the relationship between theories of public deliberation, rhetorical theory, and science and technology studies, specifically in the context of biotechnology aimed modifying the human genome.

November 8

Dr. Allison Perkeybile, Postdoctoral Fellow, The Kinsey Institute

<https://kinseyinstitute.org/about/profiles/aperkeybile.php>

“Epigenetic Tuning of the Oxytocin Receptor After Variation in Early Biparental Care”

Dr. Perkeybile will discuss her research on effects of exogenous oxytocin administration at birth on parental behavior and maternal neurobiology, as well as behavioral and neural developmental trajectories in offspring.

December 13

Dr. Rebecca Fox, Department of Biology, Transylvania University

<http://www.transy.edu/natural-sciences-mathematics/faculty/dr-rebecca-fox>

“The Only Certain Thing is Change: Personality, Plasticity, and Decision-Making in a Variable World”

Dr. Fox will discuss her lab’s work on the relationship among behavioral traits, hormone levels, and badges of status in house sparrows and how seasonal changes in hormone levels may relate to personality traits in birds.