

# Newsletter

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DEPARTMENT OF  
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Welcome to the Fall 2025 edition of the Department of Psychological Sciences' newsletter! I hope you and your loved ones are doing well.

As always, the fall semester brings new energy to our department as we welcome new faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate students to campus. You will find information about our new faculty in this newsletter. We look forward to the contributions they will make to our community.

This year has marked major progress in the renovation of the Psychological Sciences Building. The multi-phase project is nearing completion, and we expect to have everyone moved into their newly renovated spaces sometime in Spring 2026. Once completed, the project will provide modernized research, teaching, and collaboration spaces that will support our department's growth for many years to come. We appreciate the university's continued investment in our mission.

We are also excited to launch our new fully online Bachelor of Arts in Psychology degree program this fall. This program represents a major step in Texas Tech's broader push into online education and will serve as one of the university's flagship online offerings. Our online Lecturers have been working hard to ensure we deliver a high-quality experience for our fully online students, and early interest in the program has been very strong. We look forward to seeing this new initiative grow.

As always, you can visit our media page to stay current on department news, and you can learn more about ways to support our students and programs. If you are able, please consider giving [<https://www.depts.ttu.edu/psy/about/donate.php>]. Your support enables opportunities and innovations that would otherwise not be possible.

If you are on LinkedIn, please join the Texas Tech Psychological Sciences Alumni Group [<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8998067/>] and encourage other alumni to do so as well. We hope this group continues to strengthen the network of Red Raiders in our field.

If you find yourself in Lubbock, please stop by the department. I would love a chance to catch up. You are always welcome here.

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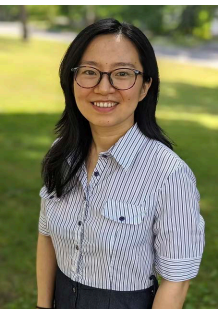


## **Dr. Sisi Wang, Assistant Professor in Cognition & Cognitive Neuroscience**

Personal Website: <https://sisiwangcogneuro.wordpress.com/>

### **Brief Research Statement:**

Dr. Wang's research at Texas Tech records brain and eye-movement activities to uncover how the brain uses memories and goals to guide behavior. Short-term, her aim is to understand how the internal brain interacts with the external world. Long-term, Dr. Wang's goal is to translate these findings into interventions to enhance cognitive functions and treat cognitive disorders.



## **Dr. Xi Shen, Assistant Professor in Social Psychology**

Personal Website: <https://www.xi-shen.com/>

### **Brief Research Statement:**

Dr. Shen's research lies at the intersection of person perception, implicit cognition, and moral psychology. She studies how people make judgments of others and whether and when the evaluations derived from the judgments influence behaviors. In the long run, she aims to go beyond first impressions to address dynamic cognition over time in complicated and ecologically realistic learning environments.

## Contribute to the Department

There are many ways to make a gift to the Department of Psychological Sciences. May we count on your financial investment in the students and faculty of the Department? Funds may be used for a variety of purposes including scholarships, graduate dissertation support, research, service, and outreach initiatives. For example, thanks to the generous support of our alumni and friends who contributed to our department's Cost of Education fund, we were able to award a total of \$9,500 in scholarships to nine undergraduate students who have excelled academically and who required financial assistance.

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