

Cultural Clinical Psychology Young Researchers Network



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We aim to explore research at the intersection of cultural and clinical psychology, and to open a space for dialogue between young researchers in Europe, both clinical psychologists and academics from outside Europe with a range of theoretical backgrounds.

Connect, Share, Inspire

Dear young researchers,

We are excited to share the first newsletter of the Cultural Clinical Psychology Young Researchers Network. A lot has happened since our Launch Workshop last March: Our members have published impressive manuscripts, the network was recently launched at the Swiss Psychological Society, and we are in the midst of preparing the CCP-YRN Workshop for 2020 – so stay tuned and enjoy reading the newsletter!

Recently Graduated Members of CCP-YRN!

The following CCP-YRN members recently completed their Master's Degrees in Psychology from the University of Zürich:

- Penelope Adams
- Flavia Eigenmann
- Tina Tanner
- Nathalie Golec

Congratulations from everyone in the CCP-YRN team!

Organizing Committee

Co-Presidents: Shauna Mc Gee, Eva Stelzer, Gail Womersley

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<https://www.culturalclinicalpsych-yrn.com/members>

Upcoming events and conferences:

- Check out the "Gesellschaft für Kulturpsychologie" <http://kulturpsychologie.de>
- CCP-YRN Workshop 2020 TBC! For more information check out our website: <https://www.culturalclinicalpsych-yrn.com/>
- McGill Summer School in Social and Cultural Psychiatry: <https://www.mcgill.ca/tcpsych/training/summer>



NEW PUBLICATIONS FROM MEMBERS:

Reference:

Shala, M., Morina, N., Salis Gross, C., Maercker, A., & Heim, E. (2019). A Point in the Heart: Concepts of Emotional Distress Among Albanian-Speaking Immigrants in Switzerland. *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry*.

Link to the paper: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11013-019-09638-5>

About the author:

Mirëlinda Shala is a doctoral student in the Division of Psychopathology and Clinical Intervention, Department of Psychology, at the University of Zürich, Switzerland. Her research interests focus on the cultural concepts of distress among Albanian Immigrants in Switzerland and the Cultural Adaptation of an e-Mental-Health Intervention for Albanian-speaking People.

Reference:

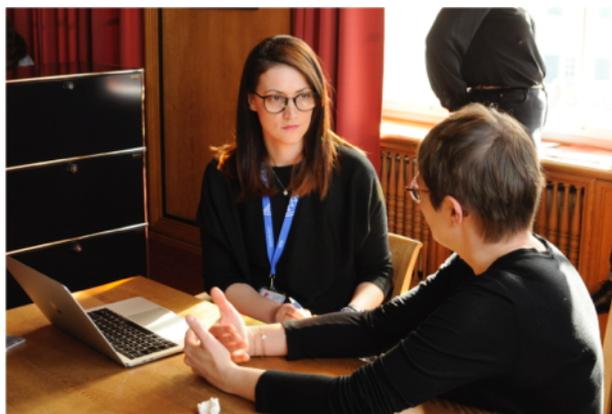
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Link to the paper: <https://doi.org/10.1080/17482631.2019.1667134>

Reference:

Maercker, A., Ben-Ezra, M., Esparza, O. A. & Augsburger, M. (2019). Fatalism as a traditional cultural belief potentially relevant to trauma sequelae: Measurement equivalence, extent and associations in six countries. *European Journal of Psychotraumatology*, 10(1).

Link to the paper: <https://doi.org/10.1080/20008198.2019.1657371>



Cultural Clinical Psychology Launch Workshop in Zurich March 4-5th 2019

We hosted the first Cultural Clinical Psychology–Young Researchers Network (CCP-YRN) launch meeting. This was a two-day workshop on cultural clinical psychology at the University of Zurich. The aim of this workshop was to strengthen the capacity of junior researchers, promote academic networking, and support the research activities and careers of junior researchers.

Activities included, amongst others:

- (1) workshops held by international experts,
- (2) Junior researcher plenary sessions,
- (3) Knowledge-development workshops,
- (4) Junior researcher poster session, &
- (5) Expert panel discussions

"At the workshop I had the great opportunity to talk to the two leading experts in cultural clinical psychology, Yulia Chentsova Dutton and Andrew Ryder, about my dissertation project. They gave me many valuable suggestions, which I can use for my future research." – Mirelinda Shala, PhD student, University of Zurich

Cultural Clinical Psychology-YRN at the Swiss Psychological Society September 9-11th 2019



Our Cultural Clinical Psychology Young Researchers Network was launched in September at the Swiss Psychological Society conference in Bern. This included presentations from four members of our network (pictured left) on their research within the field of cultural clinical psychology and was followed by interesting and lively discussions! The launch was a success with new members joining the CCP-YRN from across Switzerland!