

IMBS Faculty with Research Groups

[Experimental Social Science Laboratory \(ESSL\)](#) Faculty Organizer: [Mike McBride](#)

The Experimental Social Science Laboratory (ESSL) is a computer laboratory for the experimental study of individual and interactive decision making. Located at SBSG 1240, the laboratory can conduct computer-based experiments of up to 40 subjects, but ESSL also has capabilities to conduct internet-based experiments. ESSL is available for use by researchers of all social scientific disciplines who conduct experiments according to the standards of experimental economics. ESSL personnel are affiliated with many departments in the UCI School of Social Science, including Economics, Anthropology, Cognitive Sciences, Logic and Philosophy of Science, Political Science, and Sociology, and also with departments in the School of Social Ecology and Paul Merage School of Business.

[Social Network Research Group \(SNRG\)](#) Faculty Organizer: [Carter Butts](#)

The objective of the UCI Social Network Research Group is to provide an informal setting for discussion of current and ongoing network-related research at UCI (and elsewhere), facilitate the exchange of information regarding new techniques, tools, data sources, and research findings, support graduate student training in the network field, and encourage collaboration among faculty and students on network-related topics. The SNRG meets weekly throughout the academic year, at a time and place that is determined on a quarterly basis. Attendance is open to all interested members of the university community, and "drop-ins" are welcome.

Meets on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in Calit2 3355.

The SNRG also is an activity of the UCI Center for Networks and Relational Analysis (www.relationalanalysis.org).

[Cognition and Color Reading Group](#) Research Organizer: [Kimberly Jameson](#)

A weekly discussion group of published research articles, or participants' on-going research interests, on topics of cognition and color perception. Topics covered in recent years include: Color perception correlates of photopigment opsin genes, psychophysical investigations of heterochromatic luminance discrimination, adaptive optics imaging of the human retina, comparative color vision behavior, neural correlates of human color perception, individual variation and color perception, color vision diagnostics and clinical applications, etc. Research topics discussed typically focus on higher-order aspects of color processing, exploring front-end processing issues when they bear on phenomenology. Meeting

location: SSPA 2142

Meeting time: Fridays, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm; meeting dates designated at the beginning of each quarter. Schedule posted

at: <http://www.imbs.uci.edu/~kjameson/ColorCogFALL2015.html>

[Social Dynamics](#)

Faculty Organizer: [Brian Skyrms](#)

Social Dynamics is a research seminar, where graduate students and faculty present research projects, and there is vigorous critical discussion.

Instructors: Louis Narens, Don Saari, and Brian Skyrms

Meets fall quarter on Tuesdays, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. on 7th floor of the Social Science Tower

[Computational Models of Language Reading Group \(CoLa\)](#)

Faculty Organizer: [Lisa Pearl](#)

Topics of interest for the group include computational models of language learning, computational learning theory, principles underlying models of language acquisition and language change, and models of information extraction from language by humans. We meet four times a quarter for about an hour, and it's usually a nicely feisty discussion.

Day/time to meet will be updated on the website