



Announcing the 2008 Northern Lights Psychology Conference & Call-for-Papers/Posters

The Department of Psychology at the University of North Dakota will be hosting the 2008 Northern Lights Psychology Conference at the UND Memorial Union on Saturday, October 18. This year's keynote speaker will be Elizabeth Loftus, Distinguished Professor of Psychology, University of California, Irvine. The citation for Dr. Loftus's APA's 2003 Award for Distinguished Scientific Applications of Psychology reads "For her outstanding contributions to the understanding of human memory in both laboratory and field settings and for her invaluable contributions in applying scientific knowledge to societal problems. Her clever studies of eyewitness memory and the misinformation effect are famous throughout psychology. Her other important work focused on the organization of semantic memory, the effects of imagination on illusory memories, and the role of landmark events in organizing autobiographical memory. She is a foremost spokesperson for psychology and is a frequent lecturer in public forums. Her work has provided fascinating applications of psychological science to the legal system and to contemporary societal issues." Dr. Loftus will discuss the current status of research on false memories and the forensic application and controversy surrounding these findings.

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Graduate students are encouraged to submit papers and posters of their recent research for this year's conference (October 3 deadline). Information regarding the format for submissions, registration fees, the conference luncheon, lodging, and the keynote speaker can be found at the Conference web site (<http://www.und.edu/dept/psych/NLCON/>).

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