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Chapter 1: Introduction and a Letter from Your Officers

Dear First Year Students and Partners:

Welcome to George Mason University and the Arch Lab! We have an exciting year planned and we look forward to getting to know each of you as the semester progresses. We know that starting graduate school can be both exciting and intimidating, so the HFES Student Chapter created this Arch Lab Survival Guide to make your transition as easy as possible.

For those of you new to the area, this survival guide will help immensely in navigating through your transition. For those of you who aren’t new to the area, the Arch Lab survival guide will help steer you through the ins and outs of being a student at GMU and being a productive member of the Arch Lab.

In addition to the Survival Guide, the HFES Student Chapter is here to try and make your life easier. We plan social events to build relationships with each other, link up to professional networking events to build relationships with potential employers, and plan career talks and panels to make sure you are well-equipped to go out into the world after graduation. Getting involved with the Student Chapter is one of the best ways to become part of the Arch Lab family. You will get to know people sooner and it is also an essential networking tool.

With this guide, we hope to let you know all we can about the Washington D.C. area and about being a student in the Arch Lab. Although we couldn’t possibly fit everything into the guide, we hope that you will find it informative and invaluable to your success.

Now that you know we have you covered, you can relax and enjoy your first semester here at GMU. Looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

Sincerely,

GMU HFES Student Chapter, 2013-2014

P.S. If you ever have any questions, regardless of how random, feel free to contact any of us officers!

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Chapter 2: The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society

The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (www.hfes.org) is a national organization dedicated to the promotion of discovery and exchange of knowledge concerning humans and the systems and devices with which they interact. It was founded in 1956 and is comprised of 23 technical groups and many more local and student chapters.

The technical groups:

• Aerospace Systems
• Aging
• Augmented Cognition
• Cognitive Engineering and Decision Making
• Communications
• Computer Systems
• Education
• Environmental Design
• Forensics Professional
• Health Care
• Human Performance Modeling
• Individual Differences in Performance
• Industrial Ergonomics
• Internet
• Macroergonomics
• Perceptions and Performance
• Product Design
• Safety
• Surface Transportation
• System Development
• Test and Evaluation
• Training
• Virtual Environments

Joining HFES is very easy and entitles you the monthly newsletter, the annual membership directory, the HFES Digital Library-Archive and other discounts on magazines and journals. Dues for students are $35 and the membership term lasts from January 1 to December 31. To learn more go to: http://www.hfes.org/web/Membership/howtojoin.html

Additionally you can join the local Potomac Chapter of HFES (http://www.hfespotomac.org). Annual student dues are only $10 and membership information can be found at (http://www.hfespotomac.org/membrshp.htm). Joining the local chapter is a great way to meet professionals in the field nearby and a fantastic way to network because, sadly, we all have to graduate.
Chapter 3: Insight to the Metro

In Fairfax, we are closest to the Vienna/Fairfax Metro Stop – the last stop on the Orange Line. The address for the metro is 2900 Nutley St SW, Fairfax, Virginia. Take toward New Carrolton to head into DC and Fairfax/Vienna to head back to Fairfax. The metro only goes one way from the Vienna/Fairfax metro (because it is the end of the orange line), so any train will get you into DC!

Park or Bus to Vienna?

If you want to take the bus, there are a few options. There are the Fairfax CUE buses – Green and Gold. All will end at Vienna Metro and are free with your Mason ID. To see their routes and schedules, check out http://www.fairfaxva.gov/cuebus/cuebus.asp. These buses stop on the North Side of Vienna Metro and stop near Rappahannock Parking Garage (North side of campus).

There is also the option of the Mason Shuttle. This shuttle stops near Sandy Creek, Mason Inn, and Rappahannock shuttles stops and ends at the North Side of Vienna Metro. To see more information on this check out http://shuttle.gmu.edu/masontometro.html. Please note, that if you need to just get from campus to Metro, this is your better option. However, the CUE bus can get you around Fairfax easily without a car.

Parking at Vienna Metro. Parking at Metro costs $4.75 Mondays – Fridays and is free on the weekends. There are some parking secrets (like parking near the Oakton High School on the North Side, if you can find a spot, and walk to metro). However, the most reliable is parking in a garage or lot. We suggest the North Side parking lot because it is not advertised from Metro. Just head towards the parking signs. If you are dropping someone off or picking someone up, we suggest the north side kiss & ride as it is a much bigger lot and doesn’t get as congested.

Metro Fares

If you are planning to use Metro often, we recommend obtaining a SmarTrip card, as they will get you lower fares over the long run. They cost $10 ($5 for card and $5 on the card), and you can get them at Vienna Metro or at local stores (e.g., Giant, CVS).

Rush hour is more expensive, and when using the metro – it depends on how long you ride (not like NYC Subway which is one fare no matter how much you ride). However, there is a cap on how much you will get charged. From their website:

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Paper Farecard Surcharge

If you use a paper Farecard, you will pay a surcharge for each trip. To avoid this additional cost, we encourage you to use a SmarTrip® card.

- $1 fare surcharge for each trip taken with a standard paper Farecard. That's $2 for a roundtrip.
- 50¢ fare surcharge for seniors and people with disabilities.

How do I purchase a Ticket or Reload my SmarTrip?

You need to go to one of the ticket machines and follow the instructions. These machines are hard to use the first time, but once you get the hang of them they are better. They are still prone to errors while using them, however (talk about bad human factors!).

![Ticket Machine](image)

Which Lines Should I NEVER Ride Alone?

From local osmosis and discussions with others, the Green line gets pretty shady south east of L’Enfant Plaza. Generally, you are pretty safe if you stick to the North / West sides of DC. AVOID ANACOSTIA at all costs.

Fun, Hip, Areas of DC?

Generally people like to go out in Du Pont, U-Street, or Adams Morgan. From experience with Adams Morgan, at least, please don’t go there or leave alone (especially if female) (good advice for any nighttime excursions, really). You may get stopped by creepers hanging out on the street.
When You are Out

When you are on the prowl in DC, please note that losing a member of the group may happen. So set a meeting point for this (e.g., “let’s meet outside the metro stop on XXX street). Note that it helps to specify the entrance, since many metro stations have more than one entrance leading you to not actually meet up with your whole group. Secondly, buddy systems work great and are not overrated. If you are less drunk than your friends or the Designated Driver (good to have) help out your less coherent buddies so everyone can have an overall great time.

Navigating DC – Basic Tips

The key thing to know about navigating DC is how the city is laid out. Streets with numbers (e.g., 17th st) run North to South, with lower numbers in the east and larger numbers in the west when west of...
North Capital St. When east of North Capital St., lower numbers are in the west and larger in the east. Letters (e.g., K, L, etc.) run from east to west, lower letters in the south and later letters in the north (e.g., L is further south than M) when north of Independence St. It is the opposite direction (later letters south) south of Independence St. Finally, states (e.g., Connecticut) run on diagonals and can turn you around really quickly if you are not careful. If concerned, use a map on your smart phone. If you don’t have a smartphone, print one out and be careful of where you look at it. 😊
Chapter 4: Christian’s Introduction to Liver Destruction

Horribly in debt from undergrad? Waiting for that stipend to kick in? All of the above, but still need a drink? This guide is for you. We have catalogued the best places to grab a drink in the Fairfax-Arlington area (Fairlington maybe?). Through my extensive research I’ve tried to create a list that ranges from dirty biker bar to yupster heaven. Hopefully this guide is of some use to you, if not you can always by a six pack from Safeway and watch QVC all night. No one will judge you.

a. Vienna Inn

If you’ve ever visited our closest neighbor, Vienna, you’ll likely quickly realize Jammin’ Java is overrated and those 2 or 3 antique stores are just glorified thrift stores. However, you would likely not have realized an awesome dive lay right in the midst of all that suburban goodness. Don’t be fooled by the comic sans sign, this place is the real deal just ask Bridget, she was in utero here over 20 years ago. While the interior has all the wear and tear of a great dive, there is still an inordinate amount of families who frequent it. That said, just be wary of the time of day you go (6 to 8pm usually) and plan accordingly or make friends with your new 6 year old drinking buddy, whatever works.

b. Hard Times

The cornerstone of downtown Fairfax bars, Hard Times is the standard bar for some after class beer, wings etc. Great happy hour specials during basketball season and good food. An old reliable for years and counting.

c. Auld Shebeen

Much more of a restaurant than a bar, Auld Shebeen is probably the only place on the list you might actually see some professors at. It's moderately pricey with $6-$7 beers pretty much standard but they do deliver in regards to their selection of English and Irish ales and stouts. You’ll likely end up here for more formal gatherings but not the best for a relaxing couple of beers.

d. Clarendon Ballroom

Yupptastic factory of yupped out yupsters. Yup. This place holds the crown of skeeviness (really impressive for all of Clarendon’s competition) but can be immensely fun with bigger group devoid of morals or standards of decency. The music is of the standard club variety, the drinks are expensive, the coat check girl is permanently scowling, and there's cover. But, like I said, just go crazy and it'll be awesome as long as you’re up for it. Great for those nights when you want to let loose and still have prime people-watching opportunities.

e. Spider Kelley's

Faux fancy sports bar in Clarendon. Usually a line for some reason. Kind of overpriced. They do have pool and shuffleboard though. It only makes the list since everyone seems to know about it.

f. Galaxy Hut

BEER BEER BEER BEER. If you are a fan of the fermented elixir then this place is perfect. Huge selection of foreign and craft beers in bottles and on tap as well as 6 rotating taps that change almost daily. While things can get pricey rather quick the quality of the beer is almost certainly worth it. This place is one of the most relaxed places in the Clarendon-Courthouse area. Make sure to stop by and enjoy a pint in this dark, laid back atmosphere. Bonus: no need to get food elsewhere before heading home, this place actually has a good selection of late night snacks.
g. Arlington Drafthouse
Second run movies, drinks and stand-up comedy. The Drafthouse is a piece of Arlington history and fun place to spend a night with friends or just a date. Movies will run you anywhere from a buck to $7 depending on the day of the week and the drinks are comparably cheap. If you’ve ever wanted to drink a Bloody Mary and watch Cars 2 with your friends you have found the place to do it. In addition to cheap movies, they also double as the go to venue for most major stand up acts in the area as well as plenty of local comedians. Free standup at the adjoining Cinema Grill on Saturdays!

h. Whitlows on Wilson
Rooftop tiki bar. Happy hour. Once the crowds come this place turns into a hive of aspiring young professionals still high on the fumes from their BMW exhaust. On a nice day in the summer its still a great place to start a night before the swarm comes.

i. Buffalo Wing University
Undergrad college bar. Cheap wing and drink specials on various weekday nights. Too many undergrads to be fun for more than 20 minutes. Further research likely not needed.

j. Dogfish Head Brewery
2 locations, one in seven corners (Falls Church), the other in Chantilly. For fans of this well known craft brewer this place is perfect. Plenty of rare, albeit expensive beers on tap, and good food. This place is also more of a restaurant than a bar, but a good place for a group kind of event.

k. Rathskeller
Drink beer on campus! Or Smirnoff Ice because they have that too… If you need to fortify your soul before your 2 hour stats lab at 8:30pm make sure to stop by for a beer and surprisingly decent burger. If you’re lucky, Raja might take your class here.

l. ABC
For those unfamiliar to Virginia, state controlled ABC stores are the only places to purchase liquor. They are well stocked and in abundance just check their hours before you go.

m. Westover Market and Beer Garden
Tucked into the greatest neighborhood in Arlington. WMBG is home the "Great Wall of Beer" which is truly the only fitting name for the 200+ beer varieties available all year long. The beer garden directly connected to the market is more of a very relaxed community meeting ground. Usually a few taps are set up outside and people just mill around in the evenings. Be wary though, there's an overabundance of children in the area. Saturday evenings you are more likely to be hit with a razor scooter than get a beer spilled on you.

n. Forest Inn
The diviest of dives. The Forest is an enduring figure in Westover's history. While most of its patrons are either retired, half dead or well on their way to either one, its still a great (and fantastically cheap) place to enjoy a drink. Everyone is always friendly and you're guaranteed to leave with at least one ridiculous story and a good buzz.
This took an inordinate amount of time but there are still more great places that didn't make the list out of sheer laziness. Do yourself a favor and visit a few of these places or all of them. Then tell me how awesome they are or how much of a doofus I am for wasting my time on this!

Ps.
Mad Fox Brewery? Talk to Devon and let us know how it is.
Chapter 5: I need to buy things. Where do I go?

1. Thrift Stores

   Unique Thrift

   This place is friggen huge. Once a 2 bedroom apartment for a small family of humpback whales, this huge warehouse now houses a plethora of crap to suit your needs. Unique has a wide selection of clothes ranging from wedding dresses to leather chaps however, probably most relevant is their collection of super cheap furniture. There are also several aisles of "home" goods which, although mostly garage sale fare, contain a vintage gem for next to nothing. Unique also has a "VIP" program where you sign up (for free) and they give you the equivalent of a Safeway card allowing you to get 25% of everything you buy on Wednesdays. TL;DR Huge. Cheap. Kind of fun.

   Goodwill (used to be Yesterday's Rose)

   Fairly small and mostly women's clothes. From a male perspective they do have a large amount of winter coats which comes in handy if you are severely ill prepared for cold (as I was). Also, they used to have display case full of handcuffs and whips etc. not sure if Goodwill kept those in stock but either way still awesome.

   Second Chance

   Tiny little shop close to campus. Their big thing is that proceeds benefit the Humane Society. Seemed to have the best collection of used books in the area so worth the stop just for that. They close at 4 during the week and 3pm on Saturdays so it's a good idea to plan on going early.

   Hospice Thrift Store

   Yes. Some things you purchase may have belonged to the recently deceased but that should prove as a testament to their value. This small thrift store is most commonly frequented by the elderly or the mentally unstable due to its close proximity to three massive nursing homes, which means if there's good stuff it will probably remain untouched. Small and strange but often the most likely place to find something worthwhile.

   Plato's Closet

   In Chantilly, there is this marvelous store. It is a consignment store where you can sell gently used clothing for 1/3 of what they sell it for. You can also buy quality clothing, accessories, and shoes, for really good prices. Address: 13908 Metrotech Drive, Chantilly, VA 20151.

2. Malls

   a. Tysons Corner
      i. Everything you could ever want. Anchor stores include: Nordstrom, Macys, Lord & Taylor, Bloomingdales, AMC Theaters, LL Bean. Many different restaurants
      ii. Located off 495 (Beltway) – 20 minutes from campus

   b. Fair Lakes
i. Shopping center located in Fairfax, VA (5 minutes from campus)
ii. Includes: PetSmart, Best Buy, Target, WalMart, BJs, Home Goods, DSW, Olive Garden, Red Robin, Burger King, Wendy’s, Chipotle, Bloom, ULTA, ABC liquor store, Applebee’s, Starbucks, Subway, Exxon Mobile, Capitol One Bank

c. Fair Oaks
   i. Mall in Fairfax at Route 50 and Route 66 intersection. (5 minutes from campus) Can be accessed via Route 50 and Monument Drive.
   ii. Anchor stores include: Macys (I and II), Sears, Lord & Taylor, JC Penney.
   iii. Restaurants: Cheesecake Factory and full food court

d. Dulles Town Center
   i. Located at intersection of Route 28 and Route 7 in Sterling, VA (20 minutes north of campus)
   ii. Anchor stores: Sears, JC Penney, Macys, Nordstrom, Lord & Taylor
   iv. Numerous other shopping centers around mall – include a Lowe’s, WalMart, Best Buy, Bed Bath & Beyond, Nordstrom Rack, TJ Maxx, World Market, Chili’s, Chevy Chase Bank

e. Leesburg Outlets
   i. Premium Outlet Location – extensive outdoor mall
   ii. Located in Leesburg, VA at the intersection of Route 7 West and Route 15. (30-45 minutes from campus)

f. Pentagon City
   i. Located in Arlington, directly off metro stop – accessible via Metro (orange line to yellow line)
   ii. Anchors: Macy’s, Nordstrom, Forever 21
   iii. Includes most chain retail stores for clothes and full food court
Chapter 6: Other Things to Do

University Mall Theater

This has to be one of the better deals around. They show movies between when they’re at the horrifyingly expensive theaters and when they come out on DVD. The normal ticket price is 4 dollars, however it’s only 3 dollars if you have a George Mason Student ID, and on Tuesdays they have a deal: Two Buck Tuesdays. All movies are two dollars for anyone. They also have bulk candy (dump it into a bag and pay by the pound).

Fairfax Ice Arena

If you like to ice skate, this is where we go from time to time. They used to have a Wednesday special college skate night where it was a little cheaper; however it seems that they have removed that deal from last year so we might have to reassess this situation.

Sportrock Climbing Gyms

This is a great place to go on the weekends to rock climb (and boulder) indoors. If you want to climb the tall walls you need to be able to have someone belay you and rent a harness and shoes. To just boulder, it’d be a good idea to rent shoes. It is $10 with a student ID to get a daily pass. When you include a harness and shoes it works out to be $20 for the visit. They have two gyms, one in Alexandria (preferable) and Sterling (still pretty cool).

Hiking & Exploring Parks

There are a great amount of parks and trails around here. A lot of them are great for running and/or biking through. Also, there are some hiking areas around here with great views. The Billy Goat Trail is a highly remarked trail for the scrambling you need to do to get through it. Also, if you head south west there are many more hiking trails. Just google hiking northern VA, or hiking VA and there will be a large variety of them that come up.

More things?!? Let us know!
Chapter 7: Navigating George Mason

The first, and maybe most handy thing to have is a map:

The red circle is around David King Hall. Arguably the most important and possibly only place you will really care about on campus. Beside it, in red, is the Johnson Center. When you aren’t eating from the foodwall this is probably where you will go. However, in red, upwards from the JC is a building marked 53. That’s SUB 1 which houses the Rathskeller. That’s where the beer is. The other red building, 55, is SUB II which is where we sometimes have BrownBags so you’ll want to know that one as well. Aside from that, you’ll want to know the teal buildings, 1 which is the Aquatic Fitness Center, and 45 which is the RAC. There are other secret gyms on campus, but in general you’ll likely use one of the two we’ve just listed. The RAC is much better for lifting or basketball, whereas the Aquatic Fitness Center is better for cardio (all the machines have individual TVs and there are more of them). It’s also where the pool is if you’re one of those people.
What helps when trying to navigate campus is that the JC (right beside DKH) sits kind of up on the top of a hill, so as long as your calves are burning and you’re getting farther from sea level it’s pretty likely you’re going in the right direction.

Food

We kind of skimmed over this earlier. If you’re hungry there are three main places you go:

1. The JC. There’s just about everything in the JC. They have a small food court with sushi and sandwiches and fruit and vegetables all pre-wraped or contained, then they also have a Chinese food place, a pizza place, a sub place and a burger king. There is a pastry/bagels/fancy sandwich place to the left of that. And across the dining area there is a taco bell and a dippin dots/smoothie place/cereal bar/pretzel place. I think it’s all one thing. Downstairs there is the Bistro and Jazzman’s. The bistro is buffet style, and Jazzman’s is where you run to during the break in your almost three hour class when you need coffee.

2. Sub 1. This is where the beer is. The Rathskeller is basically a mini sports bar. They serve pretty good, generic kind of restaurant food and have a beer, malt liquor and wine bar. They also have something like 20 TVs playing anything from music videos to whatever sport they can find (football season gets particularly exciting). In Sub 1 there is also a Chick-Fil-A and a couple other small places to get food. It’s a pretty solid place to kill and hour and a half between classes.

3. Southside. Its food court style but instead of paying for what you get, you pay to get in and then you eat until you can’t any more. They have a pretty solid amount of places with basically all of the things you could think of if you were hungry and not being super creative. It’s a pretty nice place to go with a group of friends and watch everyone stuff their faces.

Other

George Mason is a gigantic school, meaning it has a lot to offer. One of the things we recently found out is that the JC Cinema (where you had the first part of orientation with the rest of the psych grad students) plays movies every Thursday, Friday and Saturday. They are free and apparently you get free popcorn. Sodas cost money but you can get a frequent movie attendance card and after attending five movies you receive a free soda. They play movies that have either just come out on DVD or are about to come out.

Mason also houses the Patriot Center (if you’re from Virginia you know this is kind of a thing). They offer free tickets to students if what’s happening there is a Mason event, and discounted tickets (I believe) if the event is external.

We don’t have a football team 😒 but we do have a basketball team and they’re generally worth watching. Those tickets are always free to students, you just show up with your id. And we all know how much grad students like free things.
Chapter 8: An Ironically Technical Guide to Useful Computer Practices

1. Dropbox

Dropbox may well become your new best friend. You’ll spend almost every day using it, thinking about it and sharing with it. Dropbox, for those of you who are unfamiliar, is an online sharing system by which you can quickly share files with anyone to whom you have given permission. It’s much faster and more efficient than emails, and generally doesn’t run into the same space issues (attachments too big, or taking 15 hours and 17 minutes to download). Dropbox is free and can be set up at www.dropbox.com. Even if you don’t use it in your lab, I use it as a cheat way to transfer files between two computers when I can’t find (or am too lazy to find a jump drive).

2. Gmail

a. G-Chat is how everyone contacts everyone. Most of your classes will be spent chatting with your classmates on GChat. This will happen. Funny and/or clever GChat statuses make life awesome. Accept that this is a fact and continue.

b. Google Calendar: It’s good to have some familiarity with this system because some teachers (McKnight is one) use it to schedule meetings or tests/modules and it’ll make your life easier if you know what’s going on and aren’t tossed headfirst into the Google Calendar pool. There is also a student group calendar that has all of the department events, so you can reference it on the website when you can’t remember where the BrownBags were being held, etc.

c. Google Docs: Multiple people can open a document at once and see as others make changes, etc, which is its main merit compared to Dropbox. The excel part of Google docs is probably my favorite but it’s generally an individual choice (Coke or Pepsi?).

3. Doodle

Doodle is the best way to plan a meeting time in the next week or so. Using Doodle you can post basically a survey with pre-set times that anyone you invite can mark as free or not free. Doodle will show you the dates and times that the most people have listed as free and will send you emails whenever someone completes the survey. It’s relatively quick and simple (takes maybe 30 seconds to complete) so it’s generally a faster way to get people to respond to you when you’re trying to plan a meeting.

4. Survey Monkey

A survey creation tool. Ask Dan Gartenberg about this. He talks about it all the time.

5. Sona

Sona-Systems is the Mason website that you will mainly use to get unpaid undergrad participants from the University. You will post time slots and they sign up and (maybe) show up at that time for your survey. Get ready to be a little annoyed because undergrads don’t really
care about anything and, after a heavy night of drinking, don’t really mind skipping your study with no warning or apology. You can’t penalize them either because it’s not nice or something. However all undergrad psych students have to complete some set number of hours of research participation for credit in their class so what tends to happen is the overachievers sign up early and then all the slackers frantically sign up at the end of the semester. This makes it seem like the end of the semester is awesome, but these are those same slackers who skipped your study earlier. This time, they’ll show up, mash buttons for an hour, and then take their credit because, by showing up, you have to give it to them. I realize this is pessimistic, they aren’t all bad. But some of them suck. Hard.

6. George Mason Website: It’s pretty straight forward.
   a. Blackboard: Sometimes your teachers use these but more often than not they have their own websites or own method of information exchange.
   b. Patriot Web: This is where you will sign up for classes and check up on basically any other technical part of your school dealings. Financial whatnot, classes and that kind of jazz.
   c. GMU Email: Teachers will generally use this one so if you’re not one to check it regularly make sure you either have your email going and getting it from here for you or you have it forwarding to an email you actually use (be careful to make sure you empty it from time to time though because I believe it does fill up).
   d. Listserv: AKA email EXPLOSION. You will get tons and tons of completely irrelevant emails from the psychology listserv and probably a few from the arch lab listserv too. However, most of the really important ones also come through this way so I highly recommend you at least open all of them when you get them, if only for something to complain about for the day (for those slow days when nothing else is annoying).

7. Arch Lab Website

You’re going to want to be familiar with this. There will be a website building night sometime, generally in October, which you definitely want to go to. This is a quick, painless, free-food way to do it. Via the Arch Lab website you can keep up with publications, find people, figure out where the brownbags are, get the Google calendar (do it, do it now) and a myriad of other magical things. (archlab.gmu.edu)

8. Social Networking
   a. Facebook(s)
      i. Be our friend! GMUHFESSStudentGroup!
      ii. “Like” us! GMU HFES Student Chapter
   b. Twitter
      i. Uh, Follow us! If you’re into that stuff.
Chapter 9: Some Useful Links

- The Arch Lab Website
- The Human Factors and Ergonomic Society Website
  - Membership Information
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Chapter 10: Faculty and Alumni!

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<tr>
<td><strong>Carryl Baldwin</strong></td>
<td>Assistant Professor, HFAC Program. Ph.D., Human Factors Psychology, University of South Dakota.</td>
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<td>University Professor, Director HFAC Graduate Program Chair, Neuroimaging Core of the Krasnow</td>
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<td><strong>Matt Peterson</strong></td>
<td>Associate Professor, HFAC Program and Neuroscience Program.</td>
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| Institute (NICKI).  
Ph.D., Psychology, Aston University, Birmingham, U.K. | Ph.D., Experimental/Cognitive Psychology, University of Kansas. |
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| **Tyler Shaw**  
Assistant Professor, HFAC Program  
Ph.D., Psychology, University of Cincinnati. | **Jim Thompson**  
Assistant Professor, HFAC Program & Neuroscience Program.  
Ph.D., Cognitive Neuroscience, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia. |
| **Greg Trafton**  
Affiliate/Adjunct Professor, HFAC Program.  
Ph.D., Psychology, Princeton University. | **Robert Youmans**  
Assistant Professor, HFAC Program  
Ph.D., Cognitive Psychology, University of Illinois, Chicago |
Where are they now? This is a compiled list of PhD grads from Mason over the years.

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