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Brain Science Speaker Series

Abigail Marsh**Abigail Marsh, Georgetown University**

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Digital Media Center Theatre
April 26, 2019 - 04:00 pm**Abstract:**

LSU Multidisciplinary Institute for Neuroscience Discovery will host scientists who have made substantial contributions to the field of neuroscience to speak about their work on LSU's campus. Each speaker will give a presentation followed by a discussion panel with LSU faculty members.

Speaker's Bio:

Abigail Marsh is an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology and the Interdisciplinary Neuroscience Program at Georgetown University. Dr. Marsh directs the Laboratory on Social & Affective Neuroscience, research in which is aimed at addressing questions that include: How do people understand what others think and feel? What drives us to help other people? What prevents us from harming them? Her work tackles these questions using multiple approaches that include functional and structural brain imaging in adolescents and adults from both typical and special populations, as well as behavioral, cognitive, genetic, and pharmacological methods. Current research projects include behavioral and brain imaging investigations of altruism among living altruistic kidney donors and stem cell donors, and behavioral and brain imaging investigations of the roots of conduct problems in children and adolescents.

Dr. Marsh's research has been funded by the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, and the John Templeton Foundation and she has received awards that include the Wyatt Memorial Award for translational research from the National Institute of Mental Health and the Cozzarelli Prize for scientific excellence and originality from the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. She is also the author of *The Fear Factor*.

