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Do You Want to Teach the DMM in a University Position? Can You Bring the DMM to Policy-making?

IASA announces the 2021 call for applications for DMM Fellowships for doctoral & post-doctoral students and policy makers

he Board of IASA are pleased to announce the 2021 call for applications for the DMM Fellowship program. The Fellowships offer financial support for doctoral and post-doctoral students seeking future employment on university faculties, with expertise in the DMM. In addition, IASA seeks projects from policymakers that can bring the principles of the DMM into mental health, child protection and forensic practice.

IASA's goal is to prepare future faculty and policy-makers to bring the DMM into clinical work, research, and policy-making.

Fellowships can cover expenses up to \$30,000, depending upon academic and administrative needs.

The DMM Fellowships are for administrative policy-makers and graduate students. The administrators must have a policy-making position. The graduate students must (1) be enrolled in a doctoral or post-doctoral program and (2) seek future employment as university faculty. The disciplines within the scope of the Fellowship includes psychology, psychiatry, paediatrics, nursing, social work, occupational therapy, and related professions. The Fellowship is not for clinical advancement.

This is the second year of the DMM Fellowship. The IASA Scientific Meeting in Florence, Italy in 2018 provided the initial funding for the DMM Fellowships. Other scientific meetings will be planned in the future.



Applications will be accepted from April 2021 and the final deadline for applications is 1st September 2021.

For more information and application materials, please email Patricia Crittenden at crittenden@ patcrittenden.com. Applicants are encouraged to make initial enquiries as soon as possible in order to have time to complete the application process.

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The Online DMM Community Is Up and Running; Come Join the Conversation!



Alexander Jack



Stephanie Wilson

The DMM Community opened its doors on 25 January 2021 and we are now a thriving network of more than 250 members. Thank you to everybody who has joined and contributed so far.

Since opening, we have hosted a number of live events. First, we held The DMM Community Welcome Party, where we connected with our members. shared our vision for the community, and were introduced to the diverse range of expertise and interests within the community. Following that, we hosted two stimulating interviews. First, Pat Crittenden spoke to Stephanie Wilson about the origins and evolution of the DMM and gave the model context within her life experience. She also discussed her hopes for the future of the DMM in terms of research and clinical practice. The following week, Andrea Landini spoke with Rebecca Carr-Hopkins about his own journey, and the use of DMM in therapy. Both interviews offered a unique insight into the lives and minds of the creative forces behind the

DMM. The interviews were uploaded to YouTube and are now available to the world.

There is more to come! We have organised a rich, diverse and informative calendar of events exploring the application of the DMM across the lifespan. By the time this edition has been printed, Bronwen Elliott will have spoken about infancy and the Infant CARE-Index (ICI), and Bente Nilsen will be due to speak with Ben Grey on toddlerhood, the preschool years, and the Preschool Assessment of Attachment (PAA). Further sessions will be announced soon.

If you haven't already, come and join the DMM Community by clicking here!

Please note, The DMM Community co-exists with our:

YouTube page: (2039) DMM Community - YouTube
Twitter page: @DMM Community: https://twitter.com/
DMM community

Welcome to our New Team of German Translators!

The DMM News editorial team is delighted to announce that we will once again have a team translating issues of DMM News into German. Katrin Braune-Krickau will head up the team. Svenja N'Guessan will translate this and future editions, and Monika Schmid will be busy translating previous editions of DMM News that currently have no German translation. This is a big task, because there have been no German translations of DMM News since 2011. This is an important development for DMM News. We are grateful for our new team of energetic volunteer translators, helping to spread knowledge and understanding of the DMM in German-speaking world. **Thank you!**



Katrin Braune-Krickau introduces herself: I look forward to coordinating and supporting the translation of the DMM News into German, together with students from our School of Applied Psychology, Section of Clinical Psychology and Health Psychology at ZHAW (Zurich University of Applied Sciences).

I work as a postdoc researcher for the Section of Clinical Psychology and Health Psychology. Additionally, I am a child and adolescent psychotherapist with a psychoanalytic and family systems background, specialized in working with under five-year olds and their parents. Both my research interests as well as my clinical focus are attachment oriented.

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After various stays and travels abroad
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completed my bachelor's degree. I
have now started my master's degree

in Clinical Psychology, pursuing my goal of furthering my education in Systemic Psychotherapy in order to work as a psychotherapist with adolescents and their families in the future. While raising my two daughters, I became aware of the enormous impact attachment has on children's development. Ever since, this has been a topic of particular interest to me. I am looking forward to learning more about current research on attachment and being part of the team that translates the DMM-News into German. Email: schmimo6@students.zhaw.ch



Svenja N'Guessan introduces herself: I am studying applied psychology at Zurich University of Applied Sciences. My aim after receiving my master's degree in clinical psychology is to start my advanced training in Cognitive Behavioural Therapy. Prior to studying in Zurich, I worked for two years with people with physical and mental disabilities in Germany.

am really looking forward to this opportunity since I am very interested in attachment and adaptation theory. It will be very rewarding to learn more about current events and studies mentioned in the DMM News.

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From the Editor



Clark Baim DMM News Editor

The DMM is reaching a critical inflection point in its use and understanding among professionals. From my position as DMM News Editor, a member of the IASA Board and a faculty member of FRI, I have a close-up view of how awareness of the DMM is spreading, as a new generation of young professionals learns about the model and becomes inspired in the same way I was when I attended my first AAI training in 2000. One of my favourite

things to do as a trainer is to teach introductory short courses in the DMM, and to hear the feedback from university students and professionals that the DMM transforms their understanding of strategies, adaptations, family systems and developmental psychopathology. "It has changed the way I think about my patients and how I understand their difficulties" is a frequent comment I receive.

In the past twelve months, for many of us, our work has migrated to online working. During the pandemic, the DMM trainers have discovered new ways to deliver DMM training online. This has led to major transformations and innovations in the way the DMM introductory and assessment courses are taught. This has important implications for how accessible the training is now for colleagues in distant lands or colleagues who would find the cost and time required for travelling to courses prohibitive. It looks likely that much of this online approach will remain in place long after the pandemic. While there will always remain profound benefits of in-person presence, online training is here to stay.

For this reason, I am delighted to see what a success the DMM Community has been in just a few short weeks. **Alexander Jack** and **Stephanie Wilson** have done us all a great service in getting this off the ground. As predicted, the DMM Community has taken on a life of its own, because it is, in effect, a social media platform just for us – people who love the DMM and want to find out more. I see people networking, asking for advice, cheering

each other's work, sharing papers, throwing ideas into the pot, joining in conversations, listening to interviews, and just generally getting involved. There are already more than 250 members! And it grows every day. In less than one month, the DMM Community has already shown its value as a new and integral part of the DMM's presence on the world. Do join if you have not already!

I am also so glad to see that the **DMM Fellowship** is inviting new applicants for 2021. There was a strong field of candidates in 2020, and I am sure that there will be an equally impressive round this year. This is an especially important initiative on the part of IASA, and the Fellowship Planning Committee, consisting of **Patricia Crittenden, Susan Spieker, Steve Farnfield, Lane Strathearn** and **Ben Grey**, do great work on behalf of IASA to promote the integration of the DMM into university courses. This is absolutely key to the future of the DMM. It is where we will inspire the next generation of DMM-informed researchers.

I am also pleased to welcome **Katrin Braune-Krickau, Svenja N'Guessan**, and **Monika Schmid** as the new translators of the DMM News into German. Katrin, Svenja and Monika will join **Natalia Pleshkova, Kenichi Mikami** and **Silvana Milozzi**, who already translate the DMM News into Russian, Japanese and Spanish, respectively. They join Rebecca Darby, who is the coeditor responsible for international translated editions. Soon, we look forward to welcoming translators who can help us to make the DMM News available in Italian, French and Chinese. Thank you, Katrin, Svenja and Monika, for joining us with such enthusiasm!

If you would like to share your experience and your thoughts about how you are using the DMM, please contact me using the details below, and I will be pleased to consider your writing for the DMM News. I am eager to hear from you.

Clark Baim, DMM News Editor

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