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## FEATURED SPEAKER: Heidi Grant Halvorson, PhD, Columbia University



## **Keynote Address:** THE SCIENCE OF MINDSETS AND MOTIVATION

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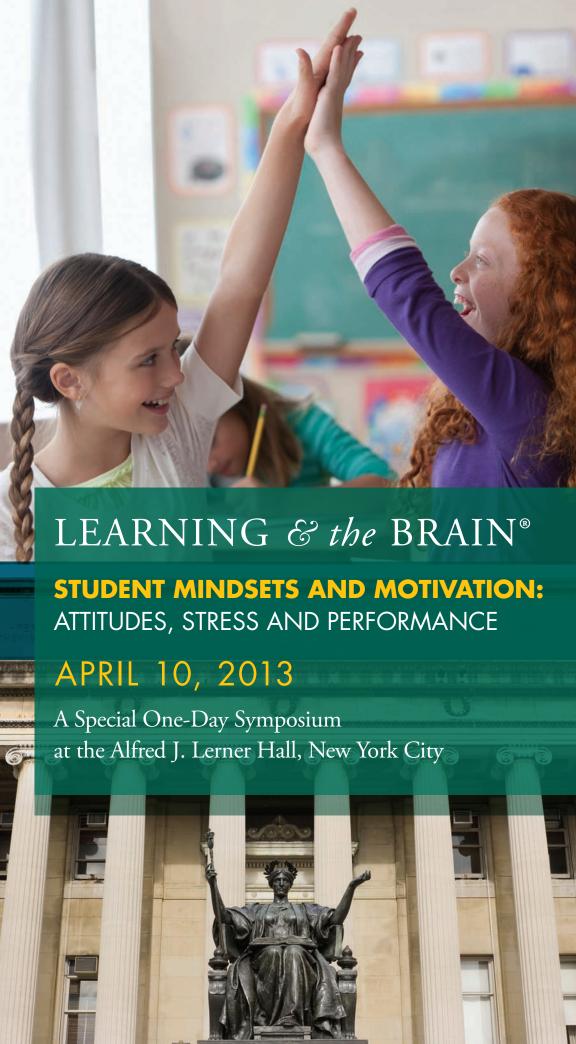
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How the Science of Mindsets and Motivation Provides the Key to Unlocking Our Children's Fullest Potential

**Heidi Grant Halvorson, PhD**, Associate Director, Motivation Science Center, **Columbia University**; Blogger, *Psychology Today*; Rising star in the field of motivational science; Lecturer on "Motivational Mindsets"; Member of the American Psychological Association, the Association for Psychological Science and the Society for Personality and Social Psychology; Author, *Succeed: How We Can Reach Our Goals* (2011); Co-Author, *Nine Things Successful People Do Differently* (2012) and *Focus: Use Different Ways of Seeing the World for Success and Influence* (2013, Forthcoming)



The Power of Mindsets: Nurturing Motivation and Resilience in Students

**Robert B. Brooks, PhD**, Faculty, **Harvard Medical School**; Former Director of the Department of Psychology at McLean Hospital; Author, *The Self-Esteem Teacher* (1991); Co-Author, *Raising Resilient Children with Autism* (2011), *Raising a Self-Disciplined Child: Help Your Child Become More Responsible, Confident, and Resilient* (2009), *Handbook of Resilience in Children* (2006) and *The Power of Resilience: Achieving Balance, Confidence, and Personal Strength in Your Life* (2004)

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HOW MINDSETS, ATTITUDES AND GRIT HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED AND ACHIEVE



Beyond Smart: How Grit, Curiosity and Character Help Students Succeed and Thrive

**Paul Tough**, Contributing Writer to the *New York Times Magazine*; Founding Editor of *Open Letters*, an online magazine; Contributor to *This American Life* and *The New Yorker*, who has focused on education, poverty, parenting, and politics; Author, *How Children Succeed: Grit, Curiosity, and the Hidden Power of Character* (2012) and *Whatever It Takes: Geoffrey Canada's Quest to Change Harlem and America* (2008)



Igniting Every Child's Full Potential: What Science Tells Us About How to Excel

Edward M. Hallowell, MD, Child and Adult Psychiatrist; Founder/Director, The Hallowell Center for Cognitive and Emotional Health in MA and NYC; Former Instructor, Harvard Medical School; Author, Shine: Using Brain Science to Get the Best from Your People (2011) and CrazyBusy: Overstretched, Overbooked, and About to Snap! (2006); Co-Author, Driven to Distraction - Revised (2011)



Changing Thinking About the Brain: Growth Mindsets, Stereotypes and Intelligence

**Joshua M. Aronson, PhD**, Associate Professor of Applied Psychology, Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development, **New York University**; Author, *Improving Academic Achievement: Impact of Psychological Factors on Education* (2002)







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## HOW REWARDS, GOALS AND DOPAMINE MOTIVATE STUDENTS



Learning and Motivation in the Brain: Rewards, Dopamine and Decision Making

**Daphna Shohamy**, **PhD**, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, **Columbia University**; Author, "Learning and motivation in the human striatum" (2011, *Current Opinion in Neurobiology*); Co-Author, "Dopamine and adaptive memory" (2010, *Trends in Cognitive Neuroscience*)



The Motivation Breakthrough: Turning On the Tuned-Out Child Richard D. Lavoie, MEd, Consultant; Visiting Professor, Harvard University; Former Member of Professional Advisory Board, Learning Disabilities Association; Author of The Motivation Breakthrough: 6 Secrets to Turning On the Tuned-Out Child (2007) and It's So Much Work to Be Your Friend: Helping the Child with Learning Disabilities Find Social Success (2005)



From Dreams to Action: Mental Contrasting and Behavior Change Gabriele Oettingen, PhD, Professor of Psychology, New York University; Professor of Psychology, University of Hamburg; Co-Author, "Self-regulation strategies improve self-discipline in adolescents: Benefits of mental contrasting and implementation intentions" (2011, Educational Psychology) and "Mental contrasting facilitates academic potential" (2011, Motivation and Emotion)

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## HOW ANXIETY, STRESS AND LIFE'S CHALLENGES AFFECT PERFORMANCE AND RESILIENCE



Resilience: The Science of Mastering Life's Greatest Challenges Dennis S. Charney, MD, Anne and Joel Ehrenkranz Dean; Professor, Departments of Psychiatry, Neuroscience, and Pharmacology and Systems Therapeutics, Mount Sinai School of Medicine; Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, The Mount Sinai Medical Center; Co-Author, Resilience: The Science of Mastering Life's Greatest Challenges (2012)



Understanding and Shaping the Mindsets and Anxiety of At-Risk Students for Happiness, Confidence and Success

Sam Goldstein, PhD, Neuropsychologist; School Psychologist; Assistant Clinical Instructor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Utah School of Medicine; Affiliate Research Professor of Psychology, George Mason University; Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Attention Disorders and Contributing Editor, Attention Magazine; Executive Producer of the award winning documentary Tough Times/Resilient Kids; Co-Author, The Handbook of Resilience in Children (2005), The Power of Resilience (2004) and Seven Steps to Help Your Child Worry Less (2003)



Performance Anxiety and How to Reduce It

**Ben Bernstein, PhD**, Performance Psychologist/Coach for individuals in high stress/high performance occupations such as athletes, actors, students and business executives; Author, A Teen's Guide to Success: How to Be Calm, Confident and Focused (2013, Forthcoming) and Test Success! How to Be Calm, Confident and Focused on Any Test (2010)

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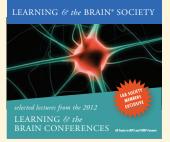
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