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IN THE NEWS:

Drawbacks of All-Nighters, Cramming

A study led by Andrew J. Fuligni, professor of psychiatry at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA, showing that cramming for tests and not sleeping enough had a negative effect on high school students' academic performance was highlighted today by the [Toronto Globe & Mail](#) and Wednesday by [Asian News International](#), [Education Week](#), [Britain's Daily Mail](#), [KNBC-Channel 4](#), [KTLA-Channel 5](#), [Chicago's WFLD-TV](#), [Tampa Bay's WFLA-TV](#), [Minneapolis' KSTP-TV](#), [Detroit's WJBK-TV](#) and [Seattle's KCPQ-TV](#). Fuligni was quoted in the coverage.

Souped-Up Brain Circuitry Sparked Evolution

A study led by Dr. Daniel Geschwind, UCLA's Gordon and Virginia MacDonald Distinguished Professor of Human Genetics and a professor of neurology and psychiatry, suggesting that more sophisticated brain wiring, not just a bigger brain, helped humans evolve beyond chimpanzees was highlighted Wednesday by [Science Codex](#), [Medical Xpress](#), [Science Daily](#) and [Europa Press](#) and today by the [Indo-Asian News Service](#), [Asian News International](#), [Spain's El Semanal](#) and [News Medical](#). Geschwind was quoted in the coverage.

How Our Brain Tell Us to Utter Vowels

The [Jerusalem Post](#) and [Gizmag](#) report today, and [Red Orbit](#) reported Wednesday, on research by Dr. Itzhak Fried, professor of neurosurgery at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, and colleagues at Israel's Technion demonstrating how our brain cells encode the pronunciation of individual vowels in speech. Fried was quoted in the coverage.

Latinos and College in California

A Wednesday [NPR](#) story about college enrollment and college-readiness among Latino students in California cited research on the subject by Daniel Solorzano, professor of education and associate director of the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center.

Depression and the Brain

Dr. Peter Whybrow, director of the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA and physician-in-chief of UCLA's Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital, was interviewed Wednesday on PBS's "Charlie Rose" show about current research on the brain and depression.

Left, Right and Media Bias

A [McClatchy Newspapers](#) op-ed published today about subsidies for public broadcasting in the U.S. cited research by UCLA professor of political science Tim Groseclose examining political bias among news organizations.

UCLA Art Exhibit Inspired by Cancer

KCRW-89.9 FM's "Which Way, LA?" blog reported Wednesday on an exhibition of art by patients with cancer at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, part of the school's unique Doctoring Program, which teaches compassion and empathy to future doctors.

Prof's Photos Reveal Wyeth's World

Today's [New York Times](#) features a Q&A with UCLA professor of art James Welling about his new exhibition of photographs of the homes and studios of the late American painter Andrew Wyeth.

Helping Injured Student Athletes

UCLA was cited Wednesday in an [Associated Press](#) article about new California legislation that requires many

universities in the state to provide financial protections for student-athletes who suffer career-ending injuries.

Debt Crisis Mired in Ideology

Tuesday's [U.S. News & World Report](#) featured an op-ed by David Shulman, a senior economist with the UCLA Anderson Forecast, arguing that neither Democrats' nor Republicans' hard-line ideological stances on how to fix the U.S. debt crisis will result in success.

How Fructose Disrupts Learning

The [EarthSky](#) blog on Wednesday featured a podcast and article about research by Fernando Gomez-Pinilla, professor of neurosurgery at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, showing how a diet steadily high in fructose slows rats' brains, hampering memory and learning.

UCLA Honored for Heart Attack Care

[Health Daily Digest](#) reported Wednesday that Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center has received an award from the quality improvement program Action Registry-Get With the Guidelines for providing outstanding care for victims of heart attacks.

Bullying Culture at Medical Schools

Dr. Neil Parker, senior associate dean for student affairs at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, and Joyce Fried, assistant dean and co-director of continuing medical education at the Geffen School, were interviewed Tuesday on Sirius XM 81 Radio's "Doctor Radio" about widespread verbal and physical harassment of medical students by senior physicians and residents at U.S. medical schools and UCLA's anti-bullying programs and policies.

QUOTABLE:

Stuart Gabriel

Gabriel, the Arden Realty Professor of Finance at the UCLA Anderson School of Management and director of the Ziman Center for Real Estate at UCLA, is quoted today in a [Los Angeles Times](#) article about redevelopment plans for a neighborhood in El Segundo, Calif.

Dr. Patricia Ganz

Ganz, director of cancer prevention and control research at UCLA's Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, was quoted Wednesday in a [Palm Springs Desert Sun](#) article about the relation of breast density to breast cancer risk.

Dr. Daniel Geschwind

Geschwind, UCLA's Gordon and Virginia MacDonald Distinguished Professor of Human Genetics and a professor of neurology and psychiatry, is quoted today in a [Los Angeles Times](#) article about research on why children born to older fathers have higher rates of autism.

Sean Hecht

Hecht, executive director of UCLA's Environmental Law Center, was quoted Tuesday in a [Green Biz](#) article about California's Prop. 37, a measure on the November ballot would require genetically modified foods to be labeled.

Matthew Kahn

Kahn, a professor at UCLA's Institute of the Environment and Sustainability with joint appointments in economics and public policy, was quoted Tuesday in a [Green Biz](#) article about California's Prop. 37, a measure on the November ballot would require genetically modified foods to be labeled.

Edward Leamer

Leamer, director of the UCLA Anderson Forecast and Chauncey J. Medberry Professor of Management at the UCLA Anderson School of Management, was quoted Wednesday in a [Reuters](#) column about the U.S. housing market's impact on economic cycles.

Meredith Phillips

Phillips, associate professor of public policy at UCLA's Luskin School of Public Affairs, was quoted Wednesday in a [Los Angeles Daily News](#) article about Los Angeles students' performance on the California's high school exit exam.