Scientific Thinking in Clinical Psychology

The untimely death of Professor Scott O. Lilienfeld in September of 2020 was an enormous loss for psychological science and a personal loss for Douglas Bernstein, Bethany Teachman, and Bunmi Olatunji, with whom he co-authored the 9th edition of <u>Introduction to Clinical Psychology</u>. Professor Lilienfeld's contributions to the book were many, the most significant of which was to provide strong and consistent support of its focus on the need for scientific thinking about research and practice in clinical psychology.

To honor the important role he played in psychological science, and in the book, Professors Bernstein, Teachman, and Olatunji—in cooperation with Cambridge University Press—have established the annual Scott O. Lilienfeld Memorial Prize for Scientific Thinking in Clinical Psychology. The prize includes a certificate, a check for \$500, and \$250 in credit for Cambridge University Press books.

Each year's winner will be chosen by Professor Lilienfeld's co-authors from among students who read our book in their clinical psychology course and submit to their instructor a 3-to-5-page paper (double-spaced, excluding references) that is organized like the book's Thinking Scientifically features, but focuses on a topic other than those addressed in those features. Instructors may nominate up to three papers each year that they feel best illustrate the scientific thinking abilities that Professor Lilienfeld was so passionate about promoting.

Instructors should send nominated papers as Word file attachments to Professor Douglas Bernstein at douglas.bernstein@comcast.net, by December 23rd, which is Professor Lilienfeld's birthday. Each year's winner will be announced on February 1st.

For further information, please contact Professor Bernstein.



