# **Advanced Neuroimaging: Fundamentals and Methods**



Topics: Functional MRI (fMRI), Diffusion and DTI, Perfusion, DCE, and Spectroscopy

> May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 8:30-6PM Baldwin Auditorium Northwestern University, Chicago IL

**Course Director: Todd Parrish, PhD** 

#### To register and for more information: www.neuroimaging.northwestern.edu/seminar

### **Program Description:**

This interesting all-day lecture series provides the fundamentals needed to understand advanced neuroimaging methods. Topics include **imaging physics**, **functional MRI** (acquisition, stimulus presentation, experiment design, data analysis, and interpretation), **perfusion imaging** (ASL, DSC, and DCE), **diffusion imaging** (analysis and tractography), and **MR spectroscopy**. Emphasis will be placed on the clinical application for all of the methods discussed.



#### Who should attend?

Any Physician, Neuroscientist, or MR Technologist looking to gain a strong foundation in advanced neuroimaging methods using MRI will benefit from this series.

The lectures focus on the physics, physiology, and neuroscience behind the methods to provide a clearer understanding of these powerful techniques. There will not be any training on specific post-processing software or scanner hardware used for advanced neuroimaging. Instead a general understanding will be the goal.

Seminar Fee: \$100 for Students; \$200 for PhD, MD, Tech. Discounted parking available.

#### **Course Director:**

Todd Parrish, PhD; Professor, Department of Radiology, Northwestern University **Faculty:** 

Darren Gitelman, MD; Associate Professor, Department of Neurology, Northwestern University Jennie Chen, PhD; Assistant Professor, Department of Radiology, Northwestern University Xue Wang, PhD; Assistant Professor, Department of Radiology, Northwestern University Tom Gallagher, MD; Assistant Professor, Department of Radiology, Northwestern University

## Schedule:

07:30 - 08:30	Registration and Coffee
08:30 - 09:30	Imaging physics and functional physiology – Todd Parrish
09:30 - 10:30	Neuro & Functional Anatomy & Connectivity – Darren Gitelman
Break	
10:45 - 11:45	fMRI Paradigm and Experimental Design – Darren Gitelman
Lunch on your own	
12:30 - 01:30	Issues related to clinical fMRI – Todd Parrish
01:30 - 02:30	Perfusion Imaging – Jennie Chen
Break	
02:45 - 03:45	Diffusion Imaging – Xue Wang
03:45 - 04:30	Physics of MR spectroscopy – Todd Parrish
04:30 - 05:30	Putting it all into a Clinical Perspective – Tom Gallagher

### **Program Objectives**

- To obtain an understanding of the underlying anatomy, physiology, and cognitive networks being assessed with the advanced neuroimaging methods.
- To gain general knowledge of experimental design, implementation of fMRI experiments, and analysis methods used in neuroscience research studies.
- Learn to conduct functional MRI, perfusion, diffusion and spectroscopy studies with knowledge of imaging physics, physiologic limitations, data analysis issues, and proper interpretation in the context of pathology
- To obtain an understanding of the underlying anatomy, physiology, and cognitive networks being assessed with the advanced neuroimaging methods.

