

# Santos Record-Breaking Psychology Course Gets Coverage in *New York Times*

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APS Fellow Laurie Santos has made a name for herself studying what makes the human mind different from that of other animals. But she's just achieved another high mark in her scientific career — one that's garnered her some media attention.

Santos is now teaching the most popular course in Yale University's 316-year history; more than 1,180 undergraduate students are enrolled in her class, "Psychology and the Good Life. The popularity of the course is the subject of a January 26 [story in \*The New York Times\*](#).

In the course, Santos is incorporating psychological science findings on social connections, gratitude, and other habits that promote emotional well-being.

Santos, who gained recognition for her cognitive experiments with monkeys and dogs to illuminate the unique aspects of the human mind, delivered the 2017 Bring the Family Address at the 29<sup>th</sup> APS Annual Convention in Boston. [A video of her presentation is available here.](#)