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EDUCATION

PhD, Psychology in progress
University of Toronto
Advisor: William Cunningham
Committee: Michael Mack, Cendri Hutcherson

MA, Psychology 2018
University of Toronto
Advisor: William Cunningham
Committee: Michael Mack, Cendri Hutcherson
Thesis: *Stereotype Maintenance through Approach-Contingent Information Gain*

Honours B.Sc., Psychology and Neuroscience 2017
University of Toronto

EMPLOYMENT

Research Consultant, HRx Technology 2021-
Company working to advance equity, diversity, and inclusion in the workplace

PUBLICATIONS

Gelpi, R., **Allidina, S.**, Hoyer, D., & Cunningham, W. A. (in press). The labelled container: Conceptual development of social group representations. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*.

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (2021). Avoidance begets avoidance: A computational account of negative stereotype persistence. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*.

Wheeler, N. E., **Allidina, S.**, Long, E. U., Schneider, S. P., Haas, I. J., & Cunningham, W. A. (2020). Ideology and predictive processing: Coordination, bias, and polarization in socially constrained error minimization. *Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences*, 34, 192-198.

Allidina, S., Arbuckle, N., & Cunningham, W. A. (2019). Considerations of mutual exchange in prosocial decision-making. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 10, 1216.

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (2018). Moral cues from ordinary behaviour. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 41.

SUBMITTED MANUSCRIPTS

Allidina, S., Long, E. U., Baoween, W., & Cunningham, W. A. (submitted revision). Decoupling the conflicting evaluative meanings in automatically activated race-based associations.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (in prep). Motivated categories: Socio-structural motivations and the construction of social categories through attention.

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (in prep). Group membership shapes attention to self- and other-related information in intergroup prosocial decision-making.

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (in prep). Intergroup biases shape neural representations of self-other trade-offs.

PREVIOUS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant and Independent Project, Self and Identity Lab 2014-2017
University of Toronto
PI: Geoffrey Leonardelli

Research Assistant, Social Perception and Evaluation Lab 2016 (summer)
New York University
PI: Jay Van Bavel

TALKS

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (May 2022). Avoidance begets avoidance: A computational account of negative stereotype persistence. *Invited talk to be presented at the annual meeting for the Social and Affective Neuroscience Society.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (May 2022). Motivated categories: Socio-structural motivations and the construction of social categories through attention. *Invited talk to be presented at the York/University of Toronto Social, Personality, Abnormal Psychology Conference.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (April 2022). Motivated categories: Socio-structural motivations and the construction of social categories through attention. *Talk presented at the Social and Personality Research Group, University of Toronto.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (December 2021). Avoidance begets avoidance: A computational account of negative stereotype persistence. *Invited talk presented at Princeton University.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (February 2020). The influence of self-other trade-offs on intergroup biases in prosociality. *Talk presented at the annual meeting for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (January 2020). Self-other trade-offs and intergroup biases in prosociality. *Talk presented at the Social and Personality Research Group, University of Toronto.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (June 2019). Stereotype maintenance through approach-contingent information gain. *Talk presented at the annual meeting for the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science.*

Allidina, S., Mack, M., & Cunningham, W. A. (February 2019). Stereotype maintenance through approach-contingent information gain. *Data Blitz talk presented at the annual meeting for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (November 2018). Stereotype maintenance through approach-contingent information gain. *Talk presented at the Social and Personality Research Group, University of Toronto.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (October 2017). Stereotype formation through biased information-seeking. *Talk presented at the Social and Personality Research Group, University of Toronto.*

POSTERS

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (February 2022). Motivated categories: Exploring individual differences in categorization by race, gender, and age. *Poster presented at the annual meeting for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (May 2021). Intergroup biases shape neural representations of self-other trade-offs. *Poster presented at the annual meeting for the Social and Affective Neuroscience Society.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (February 2021). The influence of self-other trade-offs on intergroup biases in prosociality. *Poster presented at the Social Cognition preconference at the annual meeting for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (December 2018). Stereotype maintenance through approach-contingent information gain. *Poster presented at the University of Toronto MA Poster Day.*

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (March 2018). Making decisions when self, ingroup, and outgroup goals conflict. *Poster presented at the Social Cognition preconference at the annual meeting for Society for Personality and Social Psychology.*

HONOURS AND AWARDS

SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship (\$80,000)	2018-2022
School of Graduate Studies Conference Grant (\$880)	2019
University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union Conference Bursary (\$250)	2019
Society for Personality and Social Psychology Graduate Travel Award (\$500)	2018
School of Graduate Studies Conference Grant (\$680)	2018
SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's (\$17,500)	2017
Faculty of Arts and Science Graduate Admission Award, University of Toronto (\$5,000)	2017
The Treble Gold Medal, University of Toronto	2017
Dean's List Scholar, University of Toronto	2013-2017
Clifton Graham Roberts Award, University of Toronto (\$18,000)	2013-2017
University of Toronto Excellence Award (summer undergraduate research award; \$6,000)	2015
Charles Lester Mills Scholarship in Science, University of Toronto (\$650)	2015
President's Scholar of Excellence, University of Toronto (\$5,000)	2013

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Teaching Assistant, University of Toronto 2018-2022

- General Linear Model (x4): led weekly tutorials for 15-20 students in graduate statistics course
- Social Psychology: assisted in grading and holding office hours for undergraduate class of 150-200 students

Instructor, Introduction to Statistics 2021

- Taught introductory statistics to high school students in University of Toronto summer research school

Undergraduate research projects supervised: 2017-2022

Rakshita Kathuria, Jenny Hui, Victoria Chen, Yuwen Chen

Volunteer research assistants supervised:

Alice Wang, Princess Edogiawerie, Anika Choi, Soha Salman

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Data collection: Qualtrics, Inquisit, Amazon Mechanical Turk, Sona Systems, PsychoPy, EyeLink

Data analysis and modeling: SPSS, R, Python, JAGS, WebPPL

Methodologies: behavioural, eye-tracking, fMRI, computational modeling

Workshops: Machine Learning, Mixed Models

SERVICE

Lecturer & Panelist, University of Toronto Summer Psychology Research Initiative 2021

Coordinator, University of Toronto Social and Personality Research Group 2020-2021

Member, University of Toronto Psychology EDI Working Group 2020-2021

Mentor, University of Toronto Peer Mentorship Program 2019-2022

Student volunteer, Society for Experimental Psychology annual conference 2019

Panelist for various undergraduate mentorship programs:

Psychology Careers and Applications (2022), Second-year Learning Community in Psychology (2019, 2020, 2021), Graduate School and Research Life (2020), Research Mentorship Program (2020)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)

Social and Affective Neuroscience Society (SANS)

Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science (CSBBCS)