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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Post-doctoral Scholar 2023-present
The Ohio State University

EDUCATION

PhD, Psychology 2023
University of Toronto
Dissertation: The motivated creation and use of social categories

MA, Psychology 2018
University of Toronto
Thesis: Stereotype maintenance through approach-contingent information gain

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

PUBLICATIONS

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (2024). If not me then we: Goal tradeoffs in decision-making for the self, ingroup, and outgroup. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 113, 104625.

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (2023). Motivated categories: Social structures shape the construction of social categories through attentional mechanisms. *Personality and Social Psychology Review*, 27(4), 393-413.

Allidina, S., Long, E. U., Baoween, W., & Cunningham, W. A. (2023). Decoupling the conflicting evaluative meanings in automatically activated race-based associations. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 50(7), 987-1005.

Gelpi, R., **Allidina, S.**, Hoyer, D., & Cunningham, W. A. (2022). The labelled container: Conceptual development of social group representations. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 45.

Allidina, S. & Cunningham, W. A. (2021). Avoidance begets avoidance: A computational account of negative stereotype persistence. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, 150(10), 2078–2099.

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.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Allidina, S., Mack, M., & Cunningham, W. A. (invited revision). Experience shapes the granularity of social perception: Computational insights into individual and group-based representations. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Allidina, S. & Fazio, R. H. (in preparation). The motivational underpinnings of racial attention and categorization.

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

INVITED TALKS

University of Illinois Urbana–Champaign (September 2024)

Social Psychology Journal Club

The Ohio State University (April 2024)

Social Area Workshop Series

New York University (January 2024)

Social & Cognitive Areas

The Ohio State University (October 2023)

Group for Attitudes and Persuasion

University of Delaware (September 2023)

Mende-Siedlecki Lab

Columbia University (May 2023)

Social Cognitive and Neural Sciences Lab

Harvard University (July 2022)

Intergroup Neuroscience Lab

York/University of Toronto Social, Personality, and Abnormal Conference (May 2022)

Princeton University (December 2021)

Fiske Lab

CONFERENCE TALKS AND SYMPOSIA

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (February 2025)

Allidina S & Fazio RH. Motivated attention in social categorization.

Person Memory Interest Group (October 2024)

Allidina S, Mack M, & Cunningham WA. Experience shapes the granularity of social perception: Computational insights into individual and group-based representations.

Midwestern Psychological Association (April 2024)

Allidina S, Mack M, & Cunningham WA. Modeling the resolution of social representations under selective feedback.

Computational Psychology preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (February 2024)

Allidina S, Mack M, & Cunningham WA. Modeling the emergence of group-based representations in social perception (data blitz).

European Association of Social Psychology (July 2023)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. Avoidance begets avoidance: A computational account of negative stereotype persistence.

Social and Affective Neuroscience Society (May 2022)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. Avoidance begets avoidance: A computational account of negative stereotype persistence (invited talk).

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (February 2020)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. The influence of self-other trade-offs on intergroup biases in prosociality.

Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science (June 2019)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. Stereotype maintenance through approach-contingent information gain.

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (February 2019)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. Stereotype maintenance through approach-contingent information gain (data blitz).

CONFERENCE POSTERS

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (February 2024)

Allidina S, Mack M, & Cunningham WA. Modeling the emergence of group-based representations in social perception.

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (February 2022)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. Motivated categories: Exploring individual differences in categorization by race, gender, and age.

Social and Affective Neuroscience Society (May 2021)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. Intergroup biases shape neural representations of self-other trade-offs.

Social Cognition preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (February 2021)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. The influence of self-other trade-offs on intergroup biases in prosociality.

Social Cognition preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (March 2018)

Allidina S & Cunningham WA. Making decisions when self, ingroup, and outgroup goals conflict.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Research Consultant & Data Analyst , Inclusivity Insight <i>Company working to advance equity, diversity, and inclusion in the workplace</i>	2021-2024
Research Assistant and Independent Project , Self and Identity Lab University of Toronto PI: Geoffrey Leonardelli	2014-2017
Research Assistant , Social Perception and Evaluation Lab New York University PI: Jay Van Bavel	2016 (summer)

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Tutorial Instructor

Graduate Statistics I (x4): PSY2001, University of Toronto (2018-2022)

Teaching Assistant

Intro to Psychology: PSY100, University of Toronto (2023)

Social Psychology: PSY220, University of Toronto (2022)

Guest Lectures & Workshops

Introduction to Multidimensional Scaling, Social Area Workshop Series, The Ohio State University (2024)

Introductory Statistics, Summer Psychology Research Initiative, University of Toronto (2021)

Undergraduate Students Supervised (2017-2023):

Independent projects: Victoria Chen, Yuwen Chen, Jenny Hui, Rakshita Kathuria

Research assistants: Anika Choi, Princess Edogiawerie, Argie Gingoyon, Dorottya Harangi, Serena Honekin, Soha Salman, Alice Wang

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Ontario Graduate Scholarship (\$15,000)	2022-2023
Kavli Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience Fellow	2022
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)	2017-2018
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

SKILLS

Programming Languages: R, Python, JAGS, WebPPL

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

Statistical Skills: multi-level modeling, multidimensional scaling, generalized additive modeling, hierarchical Bayesian modeling, preference mapping, machine learning

SERVICE

<i>Co-Chair of Social Committee</i> , Postdoctoral Association, The Ohio State University	2024-
<i>Reviewer</i> , SPSP Single Presenter Submissions, 2025 Convention	2024
<i>Reviewer</i> , SPSP Student Awards, 2024 Convention	2024

<i>Mentor</i> , Peer Mentorship Program, University of Toronto	2019-2023
<i>Lecturer & Panelist</i> , Summer Psychology Research Initiative, University of Toronto	2021
<i>Coordinator</i> , Social and Personality Research Group, University of Toronto	2020-2021
<i>Member</i> , Psychology EDI Working Group, University of Toronto	2020-2021
<i>Volunteer</i> , Society for Experimental Psychology annual conference	2019

Panelist for various undergraduate mentorship programs:

Psychology Careers and Applications (2022, 2023), *Second-year Learning Community in Psychology (2019, 2020, 2021)*, *Graduate School and Research Life (2020)*, *Research Mentorship Program (2020)*

Ad hoc reviewer:

JESP, NeuroImage (with advisor), PSPB