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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2024 - present: **Duke University**
Assistant Professor
Department of Psychology & Neuroscience
By courtesy: Department of Evolutionary Anthropology

2022 - 2024 **University of California, Berkeley**
Postdoctoral Researcher
Department of Psychology

2018 - 2021 **Boston College**
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Department of Psychology & Neuroscience

Parental leaves: 2021, 2025

EDUCATION

2013 - 2018 **Yale University**
Ph.D. in Biological Anthropology

2008 - 2012 **University of California, Los Angeles**
B.S. in Biological Anthropology, *cum laude*

AWARDS & HONORS

2026 APS Janet Taylor Spence Award for Transformative Early Career Contributions

2020 Finalist, AAAS Early Career Award for Public Engagement with Science

PUBLICATIONS

Click → to access the papers | ⋆ denotes joint authorship | ✣ denotes trainee

In press Boger T.✣, **Amir D.** The cognitive and social origins of randomization devices. *Open Mind*.

In press Dahmani A., Krieger J., Keene G., Gopnik A.⋆, **Amir D.**⋆ Costly curiosity: Children and adults resolve explore-exploit conflicts differently. *PNAS*.

2026 Boger T.✣, **Amir D.**, Yousif S. Near-random behavior in strategic games. *Cognition*. →

2026 Lew-Levy S., **Amir D.** Toward an integrated study of peer cultures. [*Response to commentaries on our target article*]. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*. →

2026 **Amir D.,** Pitt B. What does it mean for culture to 'shape' cognition? *Trends in Cognitive Sciences*. →

2026 **Amir, D.,** Ahl, R. E., Jordan, M. R., Bolotin, H., Bogese, M., González, G. T., Callaghan, T., Sugiyama, L. S., Kabatabazi, J., Otali, E., Tusiime, P., Bangayan, S., Snodgrass, J. J., McAuliffe, K. The emergence of cooperative behaviors, norms, and strategies across five diverse societies. *Science Advances*. →

2025 Confer J., Champ A., **Amir D.**, Schleihauf H., Engelmann J. Group membership biases children's evaluation of evidence. *Nature Communications*. →

2025 Gildner T.E., Liebert M.A., Schrock J.M, Urlacher S.S., **Amir D.**, Hartington C.J., Madimenos F.C., Cepon-Robins T.J., Bribiescas R.G., Sugiyama L.S., Snodgrass J. J. Salivary testosterone, age, and adiposity associations among Shuar males in Amazonian Ecuador challenge assumptions of "normal" testosterone patterns. *American Journal of Human Biology*. →

2025 Smith, J. M.✣, Mohamadpour, H., Engelmann, J., Davis, H. E., Krieger, J., Sørensen, B. G., Koster, J., Heysieattalab, S., **Amir, D.** No developmental differences in preferences for epistemic versus physical uncertainty across three diverse cultures. *Developmental Science*. →

2025 **Amir D.**, Firestone C. Is visual perception WEIRD? The Müller-Lyer illusion and the Cultural Byproduct Hypothesis. *Psychological Review*. →

2025 Bribiescas R.G., Sancilio A., **Amir D.**, Cepon-Robins T.J., Gildner T., Liebert M.A., Madimenos F., Urlacher S.S., Snodgrass J., Sugiyama L. Testosterone, 8-Oxo-2'-deoxyguanosine (8-OHdG) and Cu/Zn Superoxide Dismutase (SOD) in adult Shuar males of Amazonian Ecuador: A test for evidence of trade-offs between reproductive effort and oxidative stress. *American Journal of Human Biology*. →

2025 Wen N., **Amir D.**, Clegg J., Davis H., Dutra N., Kline M., Lew-Levy S., MacGillivray T., Pamei G., Wang Y., Xu J., Rawlings B. Construct Validity in Cross-Cultural, Developmental Research: Challenges and Strategies for Improvement. *Evolutionary Human Sciences.* →

2024 Lew-Levy S., **Amir D.** Children as agents of cultural adaptation. [*Target article*]. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences.* →

2024 Ahl R.E., **Amir D.,** McAuliffe K. Recalling experiences of scarcity reduces children's generosity relative to recalling abundance. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology.* →

2023 **Amir D.,** Melnikoff D., Warneken F., Blake P., Callaghan T.C., Corbit J., Barry O., Bowie A., Kleutsch L., Kramer K.L, Wrangham R., Ross E., Vongsachang H., McAuliffe K. Computational signatures of inequity aversion in children across seven societies. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General.* →

2023 Ahl R.E., Hannan K., **Amir D.,** Baker A., Sheskin M., & McAuliffe K.. Tokens of virtue: Replicating incentivized measures of children's prosocial behavior with online methods and virtual resources. *Cognitive Development.* →

2023 Stibbard-Hawkes D.**, Amir D.,** Apicella C. A cost for signaling: Do Hadza hunter-gatherers forgo calories to show-off? *Evolution and Human Behavior.* →

2022 Hilton C.B., Moser C.J., Bertolog M., Lee-Rubin H., **Amir D.**, Bainbridge C.M. [et al.] Acoustic regularities in infant-directed speech and song across cultures. *Nature Human Behaviour.* →

2022 Deutchman P., **Amir D.**, Jordan M.R., McAuliffe K. Common knowledge promotes cooperation in the Threshold Public Goods Game. *Evolution & Human Behavior.* →

2021 Frankenhuis W.E., **Amir D.** What is the expected human childhood? Insights from evolutionary anthropology. *Development and Psychopathology.* →

2021 **Amir D.,** Parsons W.S.*, Ahl R.E., McAuliffe K. Trustworthiness is distinct from generosity in children. *Developmental Psychology*. →

2021 DeLouize A.M., Liebert M.A., Madimenos F.C., Urlacher S.S., Schrock J.M., Cepon-Robins T.J., Gildner T.E., Blackwell A.D., Harrington C.J., **Amir D.**, Bribiescas R.G., Snodgrass J.J., Sugiyama L.S. Low prevalence of anemia among Shuar communities of Amazonian Ecuador. *American Journal of Human Biology*. →

2021 **Amir D.,** Ahl R.E., Parsons W.S.*, McAuliffe K. Children are more forgiving of accidental harms across development. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology*. →

2020 Ahl R., **Amir D.**, Keil F. The world within: Children are sensitive to internal complexity cues. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology.* →

2020 **Amir D.,** McAuliffe K. Cross-cultural developmental psychology: Integrating approaches and key insights. *Evolution & Human Behavior.* →

2019 **Amir D.**, Valeggia C.R., Srinivasan, M., Sugiyama L.S., Dunham Y. Measuring subjective social status in children of diverse societies. *PLoS ONE.* →

2019 **Amir D.**, Jordan M.R., McAuliffe K., Valeggia C.R., Sugiyama L.S., Bribiescas R.G., Snodgrass J.J., Dunham Y. The developmental origins of risk and time preferences across diverse populations. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General.* →

2019 Cepon-Robins T.J., Schrock J., Eick G., Bedbury A., Liebert M.A., Urlacher S.S., Madimenos F.C., Harrington C.J., **Amir D.**, Bribiescas R.G., Sugiyama L.S., Snodgrass J.J. Soil-transmitted helminth infection & intestinal inflammation among the Shuar of Amazonian Ecuador. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology.* →

2018 **Amir D.**, *Jordan M.R.*, Rand D. An uncertainty management perspective on long-run impacts of adversity: The influence of childhood socioeconomic status on risk, time, and social preferences. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology.* →

2018 Bryant G.A., Fessler D.M.T., Fusaroli R., Clint E., **Amir D.**, Chavez B., Denton K.K., Diaz C., [et al.]The perception of spontaneous and volitional laughter across 21 societies. *Psychological Science.* →

2016 Jordan M.R., **Amir D**., Bloom P. Are empathy and concern psychologically distinct? *Emotion.* →

2016 Poulos A.M., Mehta N., **Amir D**., Zhuravka I., Reger M.L., Fanselow M.S. Conditioning- and time-dependent increases in context fear and generalization. *Learning and Memory.* →

2016 Urlacher S.S., Liebert M.A., Snodgrass J.J., Blackwell A.D., Cepon-Robins T.J., Gildner T.E., Madimenos F.C., **Amir D.,** Bribiescas R.G., Sugiyama L.S. Heterogeneous effects of market integration on subadult body size and nutritional status among the Shuar of Amazonian Ecuador. *Annals of Human Biology.* →

2015 **Amir D.,** Ellison P.T., Hill K.R., Bribiescas R.G. Diurnal variation in salivary cortisol across age classes in Ache Amerindian males of Paraguay. *American Journal of Human Biology* 27(3):344-348. →

2013 **Amir D.***, Fessler D.M.T.F.* Boots for Achilles: Progesterone's down-regulation of cholesterol is a second-order adaptation. *Quarterly Review of Biology* 88(2): 97-116.→

BOOK CHAPTERS

2025 **Amir D.,** Kline M., Ndlovu N., Rawlings B., Pope-Caldwell S., Wen N., Rosun N., Badiani F., Haun D., Davis H.E. Studying childhood learning across cultures. *A Field Guide to Doing Cross-Cultural Research on Childhood Learning: Theoretical, Methodological, Practical, and Ethical Considerations for an Interdisciplinary Field.* Edited by Sheina Lew-Levy and Stephen Asatsa. Open Book Publishers.

2025 Broesch T., Cristia A., Nowell A., **Amir D.,** Pope-Caldwell S., Dutra N., Milks A., Tian X., Hodson C., Wang Y., Duggirala S. Sharing your research. *A Field Guide to Doing Cross-Cultural Research on Childhood Learning: Theoretical, Methodological, Practical, and Ethical Considerations for an Interdisciplinary Field.* Edited by Sheina Lew-Levy and Stephen Asatsa. Open Book Publishers.

2025 Boyette A.H., Haun D., Pretelli I., Pope-Caldwell S., Crittenden A.N., **Amir D.**, Gurven M., Ndlovu N., Cristia A., Kanngiesser P, Schafer M., Kandza V., Dzabatou A., Preparing for the field. *A Field Guide to Doing Cross-Cultural Research on Childhood Learning: Theoretical, Methodological, Practical, and Ethical Considerations for an Interdisciplinary Field.* Edited by Sheina Lew-Levy and Stephen Asatsa. Open Book Publishers.

2024 **Amir D.,** Bornstein M. Culture in Development. *Developmental Science: An Advanced Textbook, 8th edition.* Psychology Press. →

2012 Long V., Fujioka W., **Amir D.**, Fanselow M. Pharmacological resistance of stress enhanced fear learning in an animal model of post-traumatic stress disorder. *Anxiety Disorders* / Book 2. InTech Publishing. →

COMMENTARIES & CORRESPONDENCES

In press Rivero A.*, **Amir D.** The developmental origins of egalitarianism. Response to Stibbard-Hawkes and Von Rueden's "Egalitarianism is not Equality: Moving from outcome to process in the study of human political organization". *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*. →

2022 **Amir D.,** Hemmatian B., Kasirzadeh A., Jasbi M., Yazdiha H., Dehghani M. Iran: amplify voices of persecuted academics. *Nature*. →

2017 **Amir D.**, Jordan M.R. The behavioral constellation of deprivation may be best understood as risk management. Response to Pepper & Nettle's "The Behavioural Constellation of Deprivation: Causes and Consequences". *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*. →

2016 **Amir D.**, Jordan M.R., Rand D.G. Cultural evolution need not imply group selection. Response to Richerson et al.'s "Cultural Group Selection Plays an Essential Role in Explaining Human Cooperation: A Sketch of the Evidence". *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*. →

EXTERNAL FUNDING — PI

2023 **Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood Research Grant**
"Formal educational contexts & learning across cultures"
$50,000 *(awarded, but declined due to institutional change)*
Role: PI

EXTERNAL FUNDING — OTHER ROLES

2025-2028 **John Templeton Foundation** | "The development of moral concern"
Role: Consultant

2025 **European Research Council (ERC) Starting Grant** | "Children as agents of cultural evolution"
Role: Collaborator & Secondary Advisor

2018-2021 **John Templeton Foundation** | "Building Virtue: Environmental and social influences on the development of fairness, forgiveness, honesty, and trustworthiness" | $946,264
Role: Postdoctoral Researcher

INTERNAL FUNDING

2016 Yale MacMillan International Dissertation Research Fellowship

2014 Yale Albert Williams Fund

2013 Yale Schwartz Family Foundation Fund

2014 Yale Latin American & Iberian Studies Tinker Grant

INVITED TALKS

** Forthcoming*

*2027**	Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland	*Institute of Human Biology & Evolution*
*2027**	UCSB SAGE Center	*SAGE Center Speaker*
*2027**	University of Buckingham, UK	*Psychology Colloquium*
*2027**	Stanford Graduate School of Business	*Organizational Behavior Seminar*
*2026**	Cornell University	*Ricciuti Special Lecture*
*2026**	University of California, Riverside	*Developmental Proseminar*
*2026**	Durham University, UK	*Cultural Evolution Research Centre*
2026	University of Chicago	*Developmental Brown Bag*
2026	University of Glasgow, UK	*Illusion of the Fortnight Series*
2026	Nanjing Normal University, China	*OpenTalk Series*
2026	Ohio State University	*Developmental Colloquium*
2026	Max Planck Institute, Leipzig	*Comparative Cultural Psych Talk*
2026	Yale University	*Developmental Lunch*
2025	Duke Institute for Brain Sciences	*Center for Cog Neuro Colloquium*
2024	Duke University	*Political Science Workshop*
2024	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	*Perception & Sensation Colloquium*
2024	UNC Chapel Hill	*Developmental Colloquium*
2024	Stanford Doerr School of Sustainability	*Departmental Colloquium*
2024	Arizona State University	*Social Complexity Colloquium*
2024	University of Washington	*Anthropology Colloquium*
2024	Harvard University	*Psychology Colloquium*
2023	University of California, Merced	*Cog Sci Colloquium*
2023	Instituto de M.M.J.L. Antunes, Portugal	*"Out of Our Box" Colloquium*
2023	Max Planck Institute, Berlin	*Center for Adaptive Rationality*
2023	University of California, Santa Barbara	*Integrative Anthropological Sciences*
2023	University of Chicago	*Cognition Workshop*
2023	University of California, San Diego	*Psychology Colloquium*
2023	University of Pennsylvania	*Psychology Colloquium*
2023	Skidmore College	*Psychology Colloquium*
2022	University of Virginia	*Developmental Area Lunch*
2022	University of Toronto	*Developmental Area Seminar*
2022	University of California, Irvine	*CogSci Colloquium*
2021	Simon Fraser University, Canada	*Developmental Area Seminar*
2021	University of Utah	*Anthropology Colloquium*
2021	École Normale Supérieure, Paris	*Evolution & Social Cognition Group*
2021	University of Pennsylvania	*MindCORE Colloquium*
2021	Brown University	*Dev. Psychology Brown Bag*
2021	Emory University	*Psychology Colloquium*
2021	University of Washington	*Dev. Psychology Colloquium*

2021	University of California, Los Angeles	*Behavior, Evolution, & Culture Series*
2020	Brunel University, UK	*Decolonizing Psychology Seminar*
2020	Max Planck Institute, Leipzig	*Comparative Cultural Psych Talk*
2020	York University, UK	*Psychology eSeminar*
2020	Harvard Graduate School of Education	*Weekly Colloquium*
2020	Harvard University	*Harvard Psych-Ed Meeting*
2020	Northeastern University	*Social/Personality Area Meeting*
2020	Dartmouth University	*Anthropology Colloquium*
2020	Emory University	*Anthropology Colloquium*
2020	Johns Hopkins University	*Psych. & Brain Sciences Colloquium*
2020	Stanford University	*Psychology Colloquium*
2019	Harvard University	*Women in Psychology Summit*
2019	University of California, Berkeley	*Developmental Colloquium*
2018	Harvard University	*Cognition, Brain, & Behavior Seminar*
2018	Columbia University	*Psychology Monday Seminar*
2018	Harvard University	*Human Evo. Biology Colloquium*

SCIENCE COMMUNICATION & OUTREACH

"Better randomizers than we thought" *Game Changer Podcast*. →
"How children learn culture" *APA Speaking of Psychology*. →
"Do kids cooperate naturally?" *The Last Show with David Cooper Podcast*. →
"Sapiens". *If Books Could Kill Podcast*. [Media consulting & fact-checking]. →
"Sense of Self: The Human Journey". *Duke Alumni Lifelong Learning*. →
"Mind, Culture, & Visual Illusions". *Decoding the Gurus Podcast* →
"Children as agents of cultural evolution". *ManyMinds Podcast* →
Understanding childhood adversity across time & cultures. *APS Under the Cortex Podcast.* →
The unique stresses of Western parenting. *CBC Tapestry with Mary Hynes*. →
A viral thread reawakens the dark history of anthropology. *Nautilus*. →
How does where you grow up impact who you become? *The Garden*. →
What's missing from childhood today? *WGBH Boston*. →
Human vestigial structures. *TED-Ed Lesson*. →
We have slashed & burned the core features of childhood. *The Washington Post*. →
How industrialization changed childhood. *TED|TEDxCambridge*. →
Evolutionary anthropology live phone-in. *BBC Radio Five Live*. →
"Are we still evolving?" *BrainsOn* podcast. →
Love, death, and other forgotten traditions. *Nautilus Magazine*. →

SELECT MEDIA COVERAGE

"Do you see what I see?" *Slate* →

"Why a classic psychology theory about vision has fallen apart". *Scientific American* →

"Can you see circles or rectangles? Does the answer depend on where you grew up?". *The Guardian* →

"Parentese is truly a lingua franca, global study finds". *The New York Times* →

"The key to stopping procrastination? Compassion." *Christian Science Monitor* →

"Personality is not only about who but also where you are". *Aeon Magazine.* →

"How does your childhood environment shape your preferences as an adult?" *ScienceTrends.* →

"Can you tell a real laugh from a fake one?". *Science Magazine.* →

"You're not fooling everyone with your pretend laughter". *The Washington Post.* →

"Empathy is nice, but it's not exactly necessary". *New York Magazine.* →

"The Perils of Empathy". *The Wall Street Journal.* →

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY – KEYNOTES & PLENARIES

Keynote speaker: **Amir D**. (2027*) "Culture & Cognitive Science". Culture Conference, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig.

Plenary speaker: **Amir D**. (2024) "Childhood Matters: The Importance of Development for the Evolutionary Human Sciences". Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES).

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY – ORGANIZER

Co-Organizer: "The Social Science of Caregiving: Modeling Care" Workshop (2024), Stanford Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences. Stanford, CA.

Symposium Organizer: "Moral development across cultures: from judgment to behavior" (2021) Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD).

Symposium Organizer: "Developing frameworks for understanding cross-cultural variation in child development". (2020) Society for Cross-Cultural Research (SCCR).

Symposium Organizer: "Exploring cross-cultural variation in the development of children's attitudes toward risk". (2017) Cognitive Development Society (CDS).

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY – INVITED PANELIST

Roundtable Discussion on Nature vs. Nurture. (2026) Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SPP).

WEIRDest People in the World Conference (2023), University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis, MN.

Professional Development Symposium (2022). "Navigating Research and Publishing Across (Sub)Disciplines". Society for Personality & Social Psychology (SPSP).

Professional Development Luncheon (2022) "How to Reach Broader Audience Through Media & Popular Science Writing". Society for Personality & Social Psychology (SPSP).

"Integrated approaches to research on culture: Professional and practical considerations" (2019) Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES).

SELECT CONFERENCE ACTIVITY – PRESENTATIONS

Smith J.M.✣, Mohamadpour, H., Engelmann, J., Davis, H. E., Krieger, J., Sørensen, B. G., Koster, J., Heysieattalab, S., **Amir, D.** (2025) A preference for epistemic over physical uncertainty across development: Evidence from three diverse cultures. Society for Research in Child Development Annual (SRCD).

Amir D. (2024) "Cultural and Developmental Influences on Judgment and Decision-Making". Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Judgment and Decision-Making (JDM) Pre-Conference.

Amir D., Ahl R., Bolotin H., Bogese M., Gonzalez G., Callaghan T., Sugiyama L.S., McAuliffe K. (2021) "The development of forgiveness across diverse cultures". Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD).

Amir D., Ahl R., Bolotin H., Bogese M., Gonzalez G., Callaghan T., Sugiyama L.S., McAuliffe K. (2021) "The development of trustworthiness and fairness across five diverse cultures". Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD).

Amir D. (2020) "The ontogeny of social decision-making across diverse cultural contexts". Cognitive Science Society meeting – as part of the Cognition, Collectives, and Human Culture workshop. [*Recording of talk* →]

Amir D. (2020) "Best practices for cross-cultural research networks". Talk at the "Building sustainable global collaborative research networks" symposium. New York, NY. (*Canceled due to COVID-19)*

Amir D. (2020) "The development of decision-making across diverse contexts". Talk at the international Symposium on Biology of Decision-Making in Paris, France. (*Canceled due to COVID-19)*

Amir D. (2020) "The development of decision-making across diverse contexts". Society for Cross-Cultural Research (SCCR).

Amir D., Parsons W.S., McAuliffe K. (2019) "The dual roles of intent and remorse in the development of forgiveness". Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES).

Amir D., Ahl R.E., Young L., McAuliffe K. (2019) "The development of virtue". Talk at the "Reasoning in Moral Thought and Action Workshop".

Amir D., Jordan M.R., McAuliffe K., Valeggia C.R., Sugiyama L.S., Bribiescas R.G., Snodgrass J.J., Dunham Y. (2017) "Risk & time preferences as adaptive strategies: An evolutionary and cross-cultural perspective". American Anthropological Association (AAA).

Amir D., Jordan M.R., McAuliffe K., Valeggia C.R., Sugiyama L.S., Bribiescas R.G., Snodgrass J.J., Dunham Y. (2018) "The developmental origins of patience: Evidence from diverse cultures ". Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD).

Amir D., Jordan M.R., McAuliffe K., Valeggia C.R., Sugiyama L.S., Bribiescas R.G., Snodgrass J.J., Dunham Y. (2017) "Risk & time preferences as adaptive strategies: An evolutionary and cross-cultural perspective". Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES).

Amir D., Jordan M.R., McAuliffe K., Valeggia C.R., Sugiyama L.S., Bribiescas R.G., Snodgrass J.J., Dunham Y. (2017) "Cross-cultural variation in children's risk and time preferences". Cognitive Development Society (CDS).

SELECT CONFERENCE ACTIVITY — POSTERS

Rivero A.✣, **Amir D.** (2026)" A time for starting over and a time for iterating: Variability in creative generation across development." North Carolina Cognition Conference.

Smith J.M.✣, Strohminger N., **Amir, D.** (2025) "The Essential Moral Self Across Cultures". Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Moral Psychology & Advances in Cultural Psychology pre-conferences.

Amir D., Dahmani A., Alderete S., Krieger J., Keene G., Engelmann J., Kidd C., Gopnik A. (2024) "Children pay (surprisingly) high expected value costs to explore". Cognitive Development Society (CDS).

Amir D., Ahl R.E., Dunham Y. (2019) "Children make increasingly optimal decisions about risk throughout development". Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD).

Amir D., Dunham Y., McAuliffe K., Jordan M.R., Liebert M., Snodgrass J., Urlacher S., Madimenos F., Sugiyama L., Bribiescas R.G. (2016). "Socioeconomic environment, intertemporal choice, and risky decision-making among Shuar children". Human Biology Association (HBA).

UNIVERSITY & DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2026	Mentor, PhD Application Mentorship Program (PAMP) for Prospective Students
2026	Invited Faculty Speaker, Duke Psychology Vertical Integration Program (VIP) Summer Program
2026	Invited Speaker, Duke Project BUILD Pre-Orientation Program
2026	Duke University Neuroscience Experience (DUNE) Summer Outreach Program
2026	P&N Developmental/Social Brown Bag Organizer
2015	Yale Humanist Society, STEAMM Mentoring Service Program
2014 - 2015	Yale Graduate Affiliate Mentorship Program, Trumbull College
2017 - 2018	Co-Founder/Organizer, *Harvard-Yale Conference on Human Evolution*
2015	Co-Founder/Coordinator, Yale *Conversations in Cognition* Series
2013 - 2017	Webmaster & Online Coordinator, Yale University Anthropology
2011 - 2012	Administrator, UCLA *Behavior, Evolution, & Culture* Speaker Series

ACADEMIC & COMMUNITY SERVICE

2026	Chair, Symposium Committee, Cognitive Science Society
2026	Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES) Focus Group
2025	Triangle Research Academy National Honor Society Roundtable
2023 - 2025	Mentor, American Arab, Middle Eastern, and North African Psychological Association (AMENA-PSY)
2023	*Times Higher Education CAMPUS*, Readers' Consultancy Panel

2018 - 2019	Treasurer, *Women of HBES*
2008 - 2013	Project Director, *UCLA InterAxon Neuroscience Outreach Group*

TEACHING

Instructor

PSY 340S | 740S: Psychology of Cooperation, *Duke University*
Enrollment: 18 (2025, 2026)

PSY 103: Introduction to Developmental Psychology, *Duke University*
Enrollment: 78 (2026)
Ranked top 5% of undergraduate instructors
(Trinity College Natural Sciences, Spring 2026)

MENTORSHIP

Postdoctoral Researchers	Julia M. Smith (2024 - 2026) *After Duke: Visiting Faculty at Sarah Lawrence College*
PhD Students (Primary Advisor)	Serena Spada (2025 - present) Alissa Rivero (2026 - present)
PhD Committees	Patrick Reyes (2026), Wilson Vieira (MPI-Leipzig)
MAP Committees	Deborah Cesarini (2026)
MFA Thesis	Michela Dwyer (2027)
Senior Theses (Primary Advisor)	Carolina Deus (Duke '28), Runzi Ma (Duke '27)
Senior Theses (Committee & Secondary Roles)	Camila Acquarone (Duke '27), Katherine Zhong (Duke '26), Claire Heyne (Duke '26), Alissa Rivero (Duke '25), Justine Krieger (UC Berkeley '23), W. Shelby Parsons (Boston College '20)
Duke Program II Mentorship	Day Kim (Duke '28)

AWARDS & FUNDING TO TRAINEES

2026	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program	Alissa Rivero (PhD student)
2026	Duke Dean's Graduate Fellowship	Alissa Rivero (PhD student)

2026	Duke TRI-PATH Research Fellowship	Kaina Malik (Duke '29)
2026	Duke Trinity Undergraduate Mentored Research (T-SUMR) Fellowship	Runzi Ma (Duke '27)
2026	Duke Summer Vertical Integration Program (VIP)	Brianna Silva (Duke '29), Hannah Brown (Duke '28)
2025	Duke Cognitive Neuroscience Research Internship (CNRI)	Chisa Ihekwereme (Duke '28) Ruby Griggs (Duke '29)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP

Ad-Hoc Reviewer, Journal	*Nature Human Behaviour, Behavioral and Brain Sciences, Proceedings of the Royal Society: B, Nature Reviews Psychology, PNAS, PNAS Nexus, Developmental Science, Journal of Experimental Psychology: General, American Journal of Human Biology, Human Nature, Evolution and Human Behavior, Social Psychological and Personality Science, Frontiers in Psychology, Evolutionary Human Sciences, Public Library of Science (PLoS), Child Development, Perspectives on Psychological Science*
Ad-Hoc Reviewer, Conferences	*Society for Research in Child Development, Cognitive Science*
Ad-Hoc Reviewer, Grants	*Leakey Foundation*
Current Memberships	Cognitive Development Society Association for Psychological Science Society for Research in Child Development Cognitive Science Society Society for Philosophy & Psychology

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH NETWORKS

2019 - present	Director of Outreach, *Forager Child Studies* Research Group →
2018 - present	Executive Committee Member, *Culture & Ontogeny Research Initiative* →
2014 - present	Senior Member, *Shuar Health & Life History Project* →
2018 - 2021	Researcher, *The Virtue Project at Boston College* →