Nicolas F. Savino

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Education:

Fordham University, Bronx, NY *Bachelor of Science in Psychology* **(Merit Scholar)**
Expected Graduation: Dec. 2026

- **Relevant Coursework:** *Cognitive Neuroscience, Computer Science II + Lab, Computer Science I + Lab, Research Methods, Biopsychology, Philosophical Ethics, Web and Information Programming, Statistics, Psychopathology, Microeconomics, and Memory Laboratory*
- **Honors:** *Dean's List Scholar, Student of Excellence (2023–Present)*

Research Experience

Research Assistant | ***Anxiety Book Project*** *Fordham University* | Apr 2025 – Present

- Conducting comprehensive literature synthesis of contemporary psychopathology research (2002–present) to inform a forthcoming scholarly textbook poised to become a new standard in the field.
- Structuring empirical findings thematically to build nuanced arguments, integrating both dominant perspectives and critical counterpoints for multiple chapters.
- Collaborating directly with a senior author, gaining in-depth exposure to the academic editorial process, publishing standards, and advanced clinical theory.

Research Assistant | **C.O.A.P. Lab** *(Compulsive, Obsessive, Anxiety Program) Fordham University* | Feb 2025 – Present

- Contributes to the full research lifecycle, assisting in experimental design, data collection, and the analysis of neural and behavioral responses.
- Employs advanced software for data processing and statistical analysis, including MATLAB, R, and SPSS.
- Actively collaborates with faculty and graduate researchers on high-impact projects investigating emotion, attention, and cognitive control.

Principal Investigator | ***Omission Neglect Independent*** Study *Fordham University* | Jan 2025 – Apr 2025

- Spearheaded an independent experimental study examining omission neglect, a cognitive bias where missing information distorts ethical decision-making.
- Engineered and deployed a Qualtrics-based methodology to test hypotheses, analyzing all data with independent-sample t-tests and effect size calculations in IBM SPSS.
- Revealed meaningful psychological patterns, discovering large effect sizes that suggest omission neglect contributes to overconfidence in ambiguous situations.

Research Assistant | B-Per (*Bronx Personality Lab*) *Fordham University* | Aug 2024 – Nov 2024

- Executed a bibliometric analysis of the McLean Study of Adult Development (MSAD) and the Collaborative Longitudinal Personality Disorders Study (CLPS), two seminal longitudinal studies on Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD).
- Analyzed citation trends and keyword frequencies to map the conceptual evolution of BPD diagnostics, symptomatology, and treatment approaches in scholarly literature.

Industry & Clinical Experience

Founder & Product Lead | *Over Coffee AI* *New York, NY* | May 2025 – Present

- Architected and engineered an innovative AI-driven mental health platform catered to young individuals, leveraging **React** and the **OpenAI GPT API** to foster community and purposeful living.
- Directed the end-to-end product lifecycle, including branding strategy, UX/UI design using **Figma**, **TypeScript**, and **JavaScript**
- Successfully orchestrated a multi-channel launch, achieving a viral adoption rate of over **100** sign-ups within the initial 48 hours.

ABA Behavior Technician / Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) | *Comprehensive Behavior Supports, NY* | May 2025 - Present

- Administered evidence-based, 1:1 behavioral interventions for children with Autism, meticulously implementing ABA-based treatment plans under the supervision of a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA).
- Strengthened core competencies in clinical communication, observational assessment, and data-driven care, laying a robust foundation for advanced study in clinical psychology and data analysis.

Project Management Intern | *United Federation of Teachers* *New York, NY* | June 2025 – Aug 2025

- Played an integral role in a cross-functional team to support the successful launch of the UFT Mobile App and a new Member Loyalty Program.
- Leveraged Salesforce to execute data-informed membership engagement strategies while contributing to digital marketing efforts through Canva design and Instagram advertising.
- Contributed to App development, working with React Native
- Helped design UI/UX for the App

Ventures & Leadership

Co-Founder | *Forwards Fund*: Student-Led VC Initiative *New York, NY* | May 2025 – Present

- Co-founded a venture capital initiative dedicated to identifying and supporting high-potential, purpose-driven startups.
- Led strategic narrative development and communication outreach while designing the initiative's web framework using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

Partnered With: *Char*, *Over Coffee AI*, *Vexergy*, *CarbonClair*, *BladePipe*

President | *Men's Mental Health Union* *Fordham University* | 2025 – Present

- Founded and directed a campus-wide organization, recognized by Fordham University, to destigmatize men's mental health through workshops, peer mentorship, and weekly discussions.
- Built and scaled a supportive platform from the ground up, empowering students to explore identity, purpose, and resilience through strategic outreach and collaborations with university services.

Technical & Language Proficiencies

- **Programming & AI:** *Python, R, JavaScript, React, HTML, CSS, Rust, SQL, OpenAI GPT API, Prompt Engineering*
- **Research & Data Analysis:** *SPSS, Qualtrics, Excel, MATLAB*
- **Developer Tools & Design:** *RStudio, VS Code, Figma, Framer*
- **Languages:** *English (Fluent), Latin (Passive Fluency), Italian (Conversational)*

Certifications

- ***Harvard CS50's Introduction to Programming with Python*** | Harvard Online (Issued Jun 2025)
- ***Modifying Data Frames in R*** | CodeAcademy (Issued Jun 2025)
- ***R Programming Fundamentals (Swirl Course)*** | SWIRL (Issued Jun 2025)

- *Learn Python 3* | CodeAcademy (Issued Jun 2024)
- *Conflicts of Interest* | CITI Program (Issued Feb 2025)
- *Undergraduate Students (Social & Behavioral Research)* | CITI Program (Issued Feb 2025)