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EDUCATION

University of California, Merced, USA 2019 - Present
Ph.D. in Psychological Sciences, Developmental Psychology
With Certificate in Quantitative Methods
Dissertation Committee: Eric Walle (chair), Alexandra Main, Rose Scott, Dalia Magaña

University of Cape Town, South Africa 2016
M.A. in Neuropsychology (with distinction)
Advisors: Kevin Thomas and Melike Fourie (co-advisor)

University of Cape Town, South Africa 2012
B. Soc Sci Honors in Psychology (First class pass)
Advisors: Kevin Thomas and Melike Fourie (co-advisor)

University of Cape Town, South Africa 2011
B. Soc Sci in Psychology and isiXhosa (with distinction in isiXhosa and degree with distinction)

PUBLICATIONS

Subramoney, S., Walle, E.A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (In press). Cultural brokering in immigrant youth. *Child Development Perspectives*.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E.A., Main, A., & Magaña, D.(2024). Navigating intercultural misunderstandings: An examination of emotion brokering. *Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology*.

Meiring, L., **Subramoney, S.**, Thomas, K. G., Decety, J., & Fourie, M. M. (2014). Empathy and helping: Effects of racial group membership and cognitive load. *South African Journal of Psychology*, 44(4), 426-438.

PUBLICATIONS AUTHORED AS RESEARCHER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN

These publications are related to my prior role as a researcher on the neuroimaging component of the Drakenstein Child Health Study

Wedderburn, C. J., Yeung, S., **Subramoney, S.**, Fouche, J.-P., Joshi, S. H., Narr, K. L., Rehman, A. M., Roos, A., Gibb, D. M., Zar, H. J., Stein, D. J., & Donald, K. A. (2024). Association of in utero HIV exposure with child brain structure and language development: A South African birth cohort study. *BMC Medicine*, 22(1), 129.

Donald, K. A., Hendrikse, C. J., Roos, A., Wedderburn, C. J., **Subramoney, S.**, Ringshaw, J. E., Bradford, L., Hoffman, N., Burd, T., Narr, K. L., Woods, R. P., Zar, H. J., Joshi, S. H., & Stein, D. J. (2024). Prenatal alcohol exposure and white matter microstructural changes across the first 6–7 years of life: A longitudinal diffusion tensor imaging study of a South African birth cohort. *NeuroImage: Clinical*, 41, 103572.

Wedderburn, C. J., Ringshaw, J. E., Donald, K. A., Joshi, S. H., **Subramoney, S.**, Fouche, J.-P., Stadler, J. A. M., Barnett, W., Rehman, A. M., Hoffman, N., Roos, A., Narr, K. L., Zar, H. J., & Stein, D. J. (2022). Association of maternal and child anemia with brain Structure in early life in South Africa. *JAMA Network Open*, 5(12), e2244772.

Pellowski, J. A., Wedderburn, C. J., Groenewold, N. A., Roos, A., **Subramoney, S.**, Hoffman, N., Fouche, J.-P., Joshi, S. H., Woods, R. P., Narr, K. L., Zar, H. J., Donald, K. A., & Stein, D. J. (2023). Maternal perinatal depression and child brain structure at 2-3 years in a South African birth cohort study. *Translational Psychiatry*, 13(1), 96.

Subramoney, S., Joshi, S. H., Wedderburn, C.J., Lee, D., Roos, A., Woods, R.P., Zar, H.J., Narr, K.L., Stein, D.J., Donald, K.A. (2022) The impact of Prenatal alcohol exposure (PAE) on gray matter volume and cortical surface area of 2-3 year old children in a South African birth cohort. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research*, 46(7), 1233-1247.

Roos, A., Wedderburn, C. J., Fouche, J.-P., **Subramoney, S.**, Joshi, S. H., Woods, R. P., Zar, H. J., Narr, K. L., Stein, D. J., & Donald, K. A. (2021). Central white matter integrity alterations in 2-3-year-old children following prenatal alcohol exposure. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 225, 108826.

Wedderburn, C. J., **Subramoney, S.**, Yeung, S., Joshi, S. H., Narr, K. L., Rehman, A. M., Roos, A., Ipser, J., Robertson, F. C., Groenewold, N. A., Gibb, D. M., Zar, H. J., Stein, D. J., & Donald, K. A. (2020). Neuroimaging young children and associations with neurocognitive development in a South African birth cohort study. *NeuroImage*, 219, 116846.

Subramoney, S., Eastman, E., Adnams, C., Stein, D. J., & Donald, K. A. (2018). The early developmental outcomes of prenatal alcohol exposure: A review. *Frontiers in neurology*, 9, 1108.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW/REVISION & IN PREPARATION

Subramoney, S., Walle, E.A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (invited revision). Emotion brokering in Latinxs: Associations with depressive symptoms and acculturative stress.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., & Camras, L. A. (under review). Emotional development in different cultural contexts. In M. Yik (Ed.), *Handbook of Emotion and Culture*. Oxford University Press.

Walle, E. A., Özden, Z.B., **Subramoney, S.**, & Ganesh Kumar, M. (under review). Emotional signals. In S. P. Johnson (Ed.), *Handbook of Perceptual Development*. Oxford University Press.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Subramoney, S., & Walle, E.A., (in progress). Children's teaching of novel emotion norms.

Subramoney, S., & Walle, E.A., (in progress). Emotion brokering among South African young adults.

PRESENTATIONS

CHAired CONFERENCE SYMPOSIA

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2023, July). Emotion Brokering: Helping others navigate intercultural emotion-based misunderstandings. International Association for

Cross-Cultural Psychology. Limerick, Ireland.

INVITED TALKS

Subramoney, S. (2024, Nov). Emotion Brokering: Helping others navigate intercultural emotion-based misunderstandings. Distinguished Graduate Student in Psychological Sciences Speaker Series. Merced, USA.

CONFERENCE TALKS

Subramoney, S. & Walle, E.A. (2024, July). The relationship between bicultural identity and the emotion brokering experience among U.S. Latinxs. Paper presented at the International Congress for the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology, Bali, Indonesia.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2024, May). Emotion brokering: Helping others navigate intercultural emotion-based misunderstandings. Bay Area Developmental Symposium, Palo Alto, USA.

+Cardoza Cortez, M.A., **Subramoney, S.,** & Walle, E.A. (2024, April). The effects of emotion brokering frequency and gender on maternal relationship quality. Talk presented at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Long Beach, USA.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2023, July). Emotion Brokering: Helping others navigate intercultural emotion-based misunderstandings. International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology. Limerick, Ireland.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2023, June). Emotion Brokering and mental health: The role of family support values. Paper presented at the Broader Bay Area Affective Science Society Meeting, Davis, USA.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2022, July). The effects of emotion brokering on mental health: It depends on how you feel about it. Paper presented at the International Society for Research on Emotion Development Preconference, Los Angeles, USA.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2022, July). Emotion brokering in U.S. Latinxs: Associations with mental health and stress. Paper presented at the International Congress of Cross-Cultural Psychology, Virtual.

Subramoney, S., & Walle, E. A. (2021, April). The effects of gender and heritage cultural identity on emotion brokering outcomes. Paper presented at the Society for Affective Science Meeting, Virtual.

CONFERENCE POSTERS

+Undergraduate author

Subramoney, S., +Cardoza Cortez, M.A., & Walle, E.A. (2024, July). The effects of emotion brokering frequency and gender on maternal relationship quality. Poster presented at the International Society for Research on Emotion, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Subramoney, S. & Walle, E.A. (2024, June). The relationship between bicultural identity and the emotion brokering experience among U.S. Latinxs. Poster presented at the Broader Bay Area Affective Science Society Meeting, Berkeley, USA.

Subramoney, S., Ozden,Z.B., Ocampo, D., Lopez, L.D., & Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2023, April). Extrinsic emotion regulation in infancy and early childhood. Poster presented at the Society for Affective Science, Long Beach, USA.

Özden, Z.B., Ocampo, D.B., **Subramoney, S.,**Lopez, L.D., & Walle E.A. (2023, March). Extrinsic emotion regulation in infancy and early childhood. Poster presented at Society for Research on Child Development, Salt Lake City, USA.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2022, July). The effects of emotion brokering on mental health: It depends on how you feel about it. Poster presented at the International Society for Research on Emotion, Los Angeles, USA.

Subramoney, S., Walle, E. A., Main, A., & Magaña, D. (2022, February). The effects of emotion brokering on mental health: It depends on how you feel about it. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference and virtual Emotion Pre-Conference, San Francisco, USA.

Subramoney, S., & Walle, E. A. (2021, February). Emotion brokering: Navigating cross-cultural differences in emotion norms. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Emotion Pre- Conference, Virtual. [Best Poster Award Winner]

Subramoney, S., Wedderburn, C. J., Roos, A., Ipser, J. C., Zar, H. J., Woods, R. P., Stein, D.J., Narr, K.L., Joshi, S & Donald, K. A. (2020, June). Altered subcortical grey matter volume in 2-3 Year Old children with prenatal alcohol exposure in a South-African birth cohort. Research for Society on Alcoholism. [Meeting Cancelled]

Wedderburn, C. J., Yeung, S., **Subramoney, S.,** Fouche, J.P., Joshi, S.H., Narr, K.L., Rehman, A.M., Roos, A., Gibb, G.M., Zar, H.J., Stein, D.J., Donald, K.A (2020, July). Mapping cortical structure and neurocognitive development of HIV-exposed uninfected children in South Africa: Neuroimaging outcomes from a South African birth cohort. International AIDS Conference, virtual.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GUEST LECTURES

University of California, Merced

Neurodevelopmental Disorders, Psychopathology
Childhood Sexual Development, Human Sexuality

April 2024
March 2023

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

University of California, Merced

Social Cognition with *Jason Emory*
Psychopathology with *Robert Yancey*
Analysis of Psychological Data with *Ana Simeos*
Human Sexuality with *Ross Avilla*
Research Methods with *Jason Emory*
Culture/Racial/Ethnic Diversity with *Daniel Mello*
Analysis of Psychological Data with *Ren Lui*
Developmental Psychology with *Jason Isbell*

Fall 2024
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| Clinical Neuropsychology with <i>Alexander Khislavsky</i> | Fall 2020 |
| Abnormal Child Psychology with <i>Paul Carroll</i> | Spring 2020 |
| Stereotype and Prejudice with <i>Paul Carroll</i> | Fall 2019 |

University of Cape Town

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| Tutor for Research Methodology (I and II) and Statistics with <i>Muya Koloko</i> | 2013-2017 |
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PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

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| Senior Research Assistant (PI Kirsty Donald), University of Cape Town | 2017-2019 |
| Training Facilitator of the Early Learning Outcomes Measure | 2016-2018 |
| Research Assistant at Child Development Research Lab, University of Cape Town | 2013-2017 |

HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED

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| Graduate Dean's Dissertation Fellowship [Competitive], USD 27,214 | Spring 2025 |
| Distinguished Graduate Speaker in Psychological Sciences [Competitive] | 2024 |
| Outstanding Graduate Student in Developmental Psychology | 2023- 2024 |
| Graduate Student Travel Grant, USD 350 | 2023 |
| Psychological Sciences Graduate Student Research Award, USD 4,150 | 2020- 2023 |
| Oppenheimer Memorial Trust (OMT) Award for Graduate Study, USD 9300/year | 2020 - 2023 |

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

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| National Research Foundation Innovation Masters Scholarship, ZAR 70 000/year | 2013 - 2015 |
| National Research Foundation Freestanding Scholarship, ZAR 20 000 | 2012 |
| Humanities Faculty Scholarship, ZAR 20 000/year | 2010- 2011 |
| Class medal- achieved first position in class (Xhosa Communications) | 2010 |
| Deans Merit List | 2009- 2011 |

MEDIA COVERAGE

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| Research on emotion brokering featured on ABC 30 Action News | June 2024 |
| Article on emotion brokering featured on UC Merced News | April 2024 |

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

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| International Society for Research on Emotion, student member | 2022- Present |
| International Congress for Research on Cross-Cultural Psychology, student member | 2022- Present |
| Society for Affective Science, student member | 2021- Present |
| South African Neuropsychology Association | 2018- 2019 |
| American Psychological Association (APA), International Affiliate | 2017-2019 |

COURSES AND CERTIFICATES

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| Principles of Pedagogy, UC Merced | 2023 |
| Preparing to Teach in the Online Environment, UC Merced | 2020 |
| Accredited Early Learning Outcomes Measure Assessor | 2016 |