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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Cognitive Psychology (in progress) <i>University of California, Santa Cruz, CA</i>	2014 - Present
M.S., Cognitive Psychology <i>University of California, Santa Cruz, CA</i>	2014 - 2016
B.A., magna cum laude, Psychology & Foreign Languages <i>Lewis & Clark College, Portland, OR</i>	2008 - 2012

HONORS AND AWARDS

<i>Perlino Award, a competitive award for research related to deafness</i>	2016
<i>Summer Graduate Student Research (GSR) Award</i>	2016
<i>Summer Graduate Student Research (GSR) Award</i>	2015
<i>Regents' Fellowship</i>	2014
<i>Phi Beta Kappa</i>	2012
<i>Psi Chi</i>	2012
<i>Pamplin Corporation Scholarship</i>	2010 - 2012
<i>Dean's List</i>	2008 - 2012

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Researcher, UC Santa Cruz Investigated the comprehension of discourse markers in human and machine speech (Advisor: Dr. Jean E. Fox Tree, Spontaneous Communication Laboratory). Designed and conducted experiments on the contribution of auditory and visual cues towards the comprehension of sarcasm (Advisor: Dr. Nicolas Davidenko, Perception Lab).	2014 - Present
Graduate Research Assistant, UC Berkeley Conducted several studies involving TMS and fMRI. I coordinated, scheduled, and ran participants independently, assisting in data collection and analysis, and created an annotative bibliography in the preparation of a literature review (Advisors: Drs. Dobromir Rahnev and Mark D'Esposito).	2012 - 2014
Undergraduate Researcher, Lewis and Clark College Worked on individual and team projects with humans and rats, using behavioral and physiological measures and conducted data analysis (SPSS).	2009 - 2012

PUBLICATIONS AND MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Larson, A.S., Fox Tree, J.E.. (in prep). In communicating with machines, framing is more important than words.

Rahnev, D., Nee, D.E., Riddle, J., **Larson, A.S.**, D'Esposito, M. (2016). Causal evidence for frontal cortex organization for perceptual decision making. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, 113(21), 6059-6064.

PRESENTATIONS

Hammond, A., D'Arcey, T., **Larson, A.S.**, Fox Tree, J.E. (2017, November). Why not denim sunglasses? Poster presented at the Psychonomic Society's 58th Annual Meeting. Vancouver, B.C., Canada.

Larson, A., Collins, J., Davidenko, N. (2015, July). "No way!": Similar contribution of visual and auditory cues to sarcasm comprehension. Poster presented at the 37th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Pasadena, California USA.

Rahnev, D., **Larson, A.**, D'Esposito, M. (2015, February). Prefrontal cortex and perception: A TMS-fMRI study. Poster presented at the 26th Annual Bay Area Vision Research Day. Berkeley, California USA.

Rahnev, D., **Larson, A.**, D'Esposito, M. (2014, April). Distinguishing three prefrontal processes in perceptual decision-making: A TMS-fMRI study. Poster. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society (CNS)*.

Rahnev, D., **Larson, A.**, D'Esposito, M. (2013, November). Causal mapping of lateral prefrontal regions to separate stages of perceptual decision-making. Nano-symposium talk. *Society for Neuroscience*.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Dance Instructor and Organizer , East Bay Waltz	2014 - Present
Teaching Assistant , Roman History - Pompeii, Dr. Charles Hedrick, UCSC	Fall 2017
Teaching Assistant , Cognitive Neuroscience, Dr. Cassidy Sterling, UCSC	Spring 2017
Teaching Assistant , Psych of Language, Dr. Fox Tree, UCSC	Winter 2017
Teaching Assistant , Abnormal Psychology, Patrawat Samermit, UCSC	Fall 2016
Teaching Assistant , Research Methods, Dr. Cassidy Sterling, UCSC	Spring 2016
<i>Gave a guest lecture on APA style (185 enrolled students)</i>	
Teaching Assistant , Cognition, Dr. Margaret Wilson, UCSC	Winter 2016
<i>Gave a guest lecture on Implicit Memory (171 enrolled students)</i>	
Teaching Assistant , Psych and Religion, Dr. Ralph Quinn, UCSC	Fall 2015
Teaching Assistant , Research Methods, Dr. Faye Crosby, UCSC	Summer 2015
Teaching Assistant , Perception, Dr. Nicolas Davidenko, UCSC	Spring 2015
<i>Gave a guest lecture on Chemical Senses (170 enrolled students)</i>	
Teaching Assistant , Statistics, Dr. Audun Dahl, UCSC	Winter 2015
Director's Assistant , Berkeley Russian School	2012 - 2014
<i>Subbed in for teachers as needed, managed schedules and the library</i>	
Foreign Language Tutor , Lewis and Clark College	2008 - 2012
<i>Helped students of French and Russian with conversation, pronunciation, and test prep</i>	

SERVICE

<i>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee member, UCSC</i>	2016 - Present
<i>Campus Representative for APAGS-ACT, UCSC</i>	2016 - 2017
<i>Ad-hoc reviewer, Memory & Cognition</i>	Spring 2017
<i>Outreach to De Anza college students, hosting at UCSC</i>	Spring 2016
<i>Outreach to Cognitive Science Student Association of UCSC</i>	Fall 2015

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

<i>Cognitive Science Society</i>	2015 - Present
<i>American Psychological Association</i>	2014 - Present

SKILLS

Computer

Experience with Python, HTML/CSS, MATLAB, SPSS, SuperLab, Brainsight, Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Google Apps, GitHub, Audacity, SuperLab, Mac and PC.

Certifications

CITI certified, certified by OHSU to handle and work with rats, CPR certified (March 2013 - 2015), certified in the use of Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation and Magnetic Resonance Imaging at the Brain Imaging Center of UC Berkeley.

Languages

Advanced French (7 years intensive study), advanced Russian (4 years intensive study).

REFERENCES

Available upon request