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Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION**

2020 Ph.D. in Developmental Psychology

Institute of Child Development, University of Minnesota

Advisor: Dr. Melissa Koenig

2014 B.S. in Psychology

B.A. in Philosophy

Barrett, the Honors College at Arizona State University

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

2020-current **Postdoctoral Research Fellow,** Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, Temple University (Advisor: Dr. Kathy Hirsh-Pasek)

2020-2021 **Faculty Associate,** University College, Arizona State University

**FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS**

2020 Departmental Small Grant ($1,250.00), University of Minnesota

2019 Diversity Travel Award, Cognitive Development Society

2019 Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Minnesota

2018 Diversity Travel Award, Society for Philosophy and Psychology

2018 Student Travel Award, Society for Philosophy and Psychology

2017 Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation - Graduate Research Fellowship Program

2016 Departmental Small Grant ($1,000.00), University of Minnesota

2015 Diversity of Views and Experiences (DOVE) Graduate Student Fellowship, University of Minnesota

2015 Community of Scholars Program (COSP) Summer Institute Fellowship, University of Minnesota

2013 Phil Mickelson Award for Excellence in Psychology, Arizona State University

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

Bermudez, V. N., Salazar, J., Garcia, L., Ochoa, K. D., **Pesch, A**., Roldan, W., Soto-Lara, W., Gomez, W., Rodriguez, R., Hirsh-Pasek, K., Ahn, J., & Bustamante, A. S. (2023). Designing culturally situated playful environments for early STEM learning with a Latine community. *Early Childhood Research Quarterly,* 1-12.

Fabricius, W. V., Gonzales, C. R., **Pesch, A.**, & Weimer, A. A. (2023). Perceptual Access Reasoning: What are the alternatives? *Cognitive Development, 66,* 101306*.*

**Pesch, A.,** Ochoa, K. D, Fletcher, K., Bermudez, V. N., Todaro, R., Salazar, J., Gibbs, H. M., Ahn, J., Bustamante, A. S., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (2022). Reinventing the public square and early educational settings through culturally informed, community co-design: Playful Learning Landscapes. *Frontiers in Psychology - Educational Psychology, 13,* 7322*.*

**Pesch, A.**, Ridge, K. E., Suárez, S., McMyler, B., & Koenig, M. A. (2022). Evaluations of epistemic and practical reasons for belief in a predominately White, US sample of preschoolers. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology, 223*, 105499.

**Pesch, A.,** & Koenig, M. A. (2021). Trust Matters: Measuring and identifying a role for epistemic and interpersonal trust in preschoolers’ learning from teachers. *Early Education and Development,* 1-26*.*

Fabricius, W. V., Gonzales, C.R., **Pesch, A.,** Carroll, K., Weimer, A. A., Pugliese, J., Bolnick, R. R., Kupfer, A., Eisenberg, N., & Spinrad, T. (2021). Perceptual Access Reasoning (PAR) in Developing a Representational Theory of Mind. *Monographs of the Society for Research in Child Development, 86*(3), 7-154.

**Pesch, A.,** Semenov, A. D., & Carlson, S. M. (2020). The path to fully representational Theory of Mind: Conceptual, Executive, and Pragmatic Challenges. *Frontiers in Psychology - Cognitive Science, 11,* 3020.

Li, P. H., **Pesch, A.**, Koenig, M. A. (2020). The sense of obligation in children’s testimonial learning. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 43.*

**Pesch, A.,** & Koenig, M. A. (2018). Varieties of trust in preschoolers’ learning and practical decisions*. PLOS One, 13*(8).

**Pesch, A.,** Suárez, S., & Koenig, M. A. (2017). Trusting Others: Shared reality in testimonial learning. *Current Opinion in Psychology, 23*, 38-41*.*

Lin, A. R., Ettekal, A., Simpkins, S., Menjivar, C., Gaskin, E., & **Pesch, A.** (2016). “They will post a law about playing soccer” and other ethnic/racial microaggressions in organized activities experienced by Mexican-Origin families. *Journal of Adolescent Research, 31,* 557-581.

**Book Chapters**

**Pesch, A.,** & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (In press). Social-emotional development: When soft skills become the hard skills. OECD Publishing, Paris.

DeAngelis, E., Glaspie, N., Bisla, I., **Pesch, A.,** & Koenig, M. A. (in press). Understanding the vulnerability of testimony: Epistemic and interpersonal risks. To appear in K. J. Rotenberg (Eds.), *The Handbook of Trust and Social Psychology*. Edward Elgar Publishing Limited.

Ridge, K.E., **Pesch, A**., Suárez, S., & Koenig, M.A. (2018). Insights into children’s testimonial reasoning. In P. Ganea and M. Saylor (Eds.), *Language and Concept Development from Infancy Through Childhood: Social Motivation, Cognition, and Linguistic Mechanisms of Learning*. New York, NY: Springer.

**White Papers**

Hirsh-Pasek, K.\*, Masters, A. S.\*, Christie, S., Gibbs, H. M., Evans, N. S., Fletcher, K. K., **Pesch, A**., Yang, H., Fan, W., Todaro, R. D., Golinkoff, R. M., & Xu, F. (2022). *Where global science meets playful learning: Implications for home, school, and city planning.* [White paper]. The Lego Foundation and the Yidan Foundation.

**Under Review**

Fletcher, K. K., **Pesch, A.**, Golinkoff, R. M., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (revision under review). The Playful Learning Landscapes Initiative: A New Methodology for Co-Designing Experiential and Informal Learning Environments for Young Children. *British Journal of Developmental Psychology*.

**Pesch, A.,** Todaro, R. D., Piper, D., Evans, N., Pasek, J., Golinkoff, R. M., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (under review). The social consequences of phubbing: Adult perceptions of phubbing. *Mobile Media and Communication.*

**In Preparation (selected)**

Erkoboni, D., **Pesch, A.,** Sands, D., Fletcher, K. K., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (in preparation). Playful learning murals increase communication and quality of interactions in pediatric waiting rooms.

Ahn, J., Bustamante, A. S., Rodriguez, R., Roldan, W., Ochoa, K. D., Bermudez, V. N., Salazar, J., **Pesch, A.**, Soto-Lara, S., Hirsh-Pasek, K. (in preparation). Evolving from participatory design and speculative futures to community actualization.

Ochoa, K. D, Bermudez, V. N., **Pesch, A**., Santana, E., Gomez, W., Soto-Lara, S., Rodriguez, R., Ahn, J., & Hirsh-Pasek, K., Bustamante, A.S., (in preparation). Parents as essential partners and researchers in public spaces projects.

Fletcher, K. K., **Pesch, A.**, Wright, C., Abdurokhmonova, G., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (in preparation). Playful Learning as a robust, adaptable, culturally relevant pedagogy to foster children’s 21st Century skills.

Fisch, S. M., Hirsh-Pasek, K., Abdurokhmonova, G., Davis, L., Fisch, N., Fish, S. R. D., Fletcher, K. K., **Pesch, A.**, Tomforde, J., Volpe, C., & Wright, C. A. (in preparation). Developing methods for remote observation of hands-on problem solving among preschool children: Challenges and solutions.

Fisch, S. M., Fletcher, K. K., Abdurokhmonova, G., Fisch, N., Fisch, S. R. D., Jurist, M., Krestin, R., **Pesch, A.**, Seguì, I., Shulman, J., Silton, N., Tomforde, J., Volpe, C., Wright, C. A., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (in preparation). “I wonder, what if, let’s try”: Impact of Sesame Street’s Playful Learning curriculum on children’s problem solving.

**CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

**Chaired Symposia**

*Under review* Playful Learning Landscapes: Increasing access to informal learning opportunities for children and families. *American Education Research Association*, Philadelphia, PA.

2023 Translating research to practice: How research from the science of learning can be leveraged to create community-centered, playful learning spaces in public and early childcare settings. *Society for the Study of Human Development*, Philadelphia, PA.

**Oral Presentations**

Ochoa, K. D., **Pesch, A.**, Bermudez, V. N., Salazar, J., Fletcher, K., Todaro, R. D., Gibbs, H., Ahn, J., Bustamante, A., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (April 2023). Playful Learning Landscapes Reinvents Public Spaces Through Culturally Informed, Community Co-design. *American Educational Research Association,* Chicago, IL.

Fletcher, K. K., **Pesch, A.**, Wright, C., Abdurokhmonova, G., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (March 2023). Playful Learning as a Robust, Adaptable, Culturally Relevant Pedagogy to Foster Children’s 21st Century Skills*. Society for Research in Child Development*, Salt Lake City, UT.

Ochoa, K. D., Sedas, M., Bermudez, V. N., Salazar, J., Belgrave, A., **Pesch, A.**, Hirsh-Pasek, K., Ahn, J., & Bustamante, A. S. (March 2023). Playful and Cultural Learning at the Grocery Store: Qualitative Analysis of Latine Families’ Interactions. *Society for Research in Child Development*, Salt Lake City, UT.

Fletcher, K. K., Gibbs, H., Todaro, R. D., **Pesch, A.**, & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (July 2022). Transforming Early Play and Learning Through Playful Learning Landscapes. *International Congress of Infant Studies,* Ottawa, Canada.

Koenig, M. A., & **Pesch, A.** (April 2021). Building Pipelines: Engaging youth in science. *Invited Symposium, Society for Research in Child Development,* Minneapolis, MN.

**Pesch, A.,** & Koenig, M. A. (April 2021). Trust Matters: measuring children’s epistemic and interpersonal trust in teachers. *Society for Research in Child Development*, Minneapolis, MN.

**Pesch, A.,** Li, P. H., Ridge, K. E., Cicchetti, D., Koenig, M. A. (October 2019). An examination of how individual differences in parent authoritarian values and economic experiences impact 3-year-olds’ inferences about speakers. *Cognitive Development Society,* Louisville, KY.

Li, P. H., **Pesch, A.**, Koenig, M. A. (March 2019). Children’s Selective Trust: Understanding Evidential Reasons, Discovering Interpersonal Reasons. *Society for Research in Child Development,* Baltimore, MD.

Suárez, S., **Pesch, A.**, McMyler, B., Ridge, K. E., & Koenig, M. A. (July 2018). What individual differences in children’s social learning can tell us about the nature and development of authoritarian values*. Society for Philosophy and Psychology*, Ann Arbor, MI.

**Pesch, A.,** & Koenig, M. A. (June 2017). Varieties of trust in preschoolers’ learning and practical decisions. *Society for Philosophy and Psychology*, Baltimore, MD.

**Pesch, A**., & Koenig, M. A. (March 2017). First Year Project: Varieties of trust in preschoolers’ learning and practical decisions. *Institute of Child Development*, Minneapolis, MN.

**Pesch, A**., Semenov, A. D., Zelazo, P. D., & Carlson, S. M. (November 2016). The Belief Study. *Institute of Child Development,* Minneapolis, MN.

**Poster Presentations**

**Pesch, A.,** Ochoa, K. D., Bermudez, V. N., Santana, E., Salazar, J., Ahn, J., Bustamante, A. S., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (March 2023). *Playful Learning Landscapes: Evaluating the impact of a community-focused, evidence-based intervention on Latine families’ STEM-language and interaction-quality.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Salt Lake City, UT.

Glaspie, N., Bisla, I., Li., P. H., **Pesch, A.**, Koenig, M. A. (March 2023). *Examining the influence of children’s theory of mind on selective trust decisions.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Salt Lake City, UT.

Li, P. H., **Pesch, A.,** Ridge, K. E., Cicchetti, D., Koenig, M. A., & Rogosh, F. (April 2021). *Trust, Maltreatment, and Socio-cognitive Abilities: Individual Differences in Children’s Acceptance of Conflicting Claims.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Minneapolis, MN.

Grenell, A., Englund, M., **Pesch, A.**, & Susman-Stillman, A. (March 2019). *Impact of a Theatre Arts Program on Preschoolers’ Theatre Arts Skills.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Baltimore, MD.

**Pesch, A.,** Varhol, A.R., & Koenig, M. A. (October 2018). *How Epistemic and Moral Character Influence Children’s Judgments and Memory.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, PA.

Ridge, K. E., **Pesch, A**., McMyler, B., & Koenig, M. A. (July 2018). *Reasons to believe: Children’s evaluations of epistemic and practical reasons.* Poster presented at the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Ann Arbor, MI.

**Pesch, A.,** Van de Vandervoort, J., Varhol, A. R., Hamlin, K., & Koenig, M. A. (July, 2018). *Examining the scope of young children’s epistemic and moral evaluations.* Poster presented at the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Ann Arbor, MI.

**Pesch, A**., Low, N., & Koenig, M. A. (October 2017). *Does the Speech Act Matter? An Examination of How Promises and Tellings Influence Preschoolers’ Epistemic and Practical Decisions.* Poster presented at the Cognitive Development Society, Portland, OR.

**Pesch, A**., Semenov, A., & Carlson, S. M. (October 2017). *Does Working Memory Predict Performance on 3- and 4-option False Belief Tasks?* Poster presented at the Cognitive Development Society, Portland, OR.

Varhol, A. R., **Pesch, A.,** Hamlin, K., & Koenig, M. A. (October 2017). *Moral and Epistemic Agents: Infant Evaluations of Ignorant and Withholding Agents.* Poster presented at the Cognitive Development Society, Portland, OR.

Huffer-Kiesow, L., **Pesch, A.,** Suárez, S., Hetherington, C., & Koenig, M. A. (April 2017). *Effects of Epistemic and Moral Behavior on Children’s Learning and Practical Decisions.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Austin, TX.

Fabricius, W.V., Keen, R., **Pesch, A**., & Harkins, J. (April 2017). *Method of hiding affects 2-year-olds’ search for hidden objects.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Austin, TX.

Ridge, K., Suárez, S., McMyler, B., **Pesch, A**., & Koenig, M. A. (April 2017). *The will to believe: Children distinguish between practical and epistemic reasons for belief.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Austin, TX.

Gonzales, C. R., Fabricius, W. V., **Pesch, A**., Swift-Honor, J., & Woolley, B. (October 2015). *The Role of Introspection in Children’s Theory of Mind Development.* Poster presented at Cognitive Development Society, Columbus, OH.

Gonzales, C. R., **Pesch, A**., & Fabricius, W. V. (February 2015). *Limits on Children’s Understanding of Mental Representations using Modified Three-option False Belief Tasks.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, PA.

Gonzales, C. R., Fabricius, W. V., **Pesch, A.,** Gardiner, T., Woods, O., & Swanson, J. (October 2013). *Four-Year-Olds’ Performance on 3-Alternative False Belief Tasks: Evidence for Perceptual Access Reasoning.* Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Cognitive Development Society, Memphis, TN.

**Public Scholarship**

Delgado, A., **Pesch, A.**, Golinkoff, R. M., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (in press). *Playing for Knowledge: Unlocking the Joy of Learning.* Elements Ed.

**Pesch, A.**, Blinkoff, E., & Hirsh-Pasek, K. (2021, August 10). *What if teaching mirrored how human brains learn?* Brookings Institution. <https://www.brookings.edu/articles/what-if-teaching-mirrored-how-human-brains-learn/>

**Research Positions**

2020-Present Postdoctoral Research Fellow, **Temple Infant and Child Laboratory**

Temple University, Kathryn Hirsh-Pasek, Ph.D.

2017-2018 Graduate Research Assistant, **Early Bridges Foundation**

University of Minnesota, Amy Susman-Stillman, Ph.D.

2015-2020 Graduate Research Assistant, **Early Language and Experience Lab**

University of Minnesota, Melissa Koenig, Ph.D.

2014-2015 Project Manager, **Child Language and Literacy Lab**

Arizona State University, Shelley Gray, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

2012-2015 Research Assistant, **Theory of Mind Lab**

Arizona State University, William Fabricius, Ph.D.

2012-2015 Research Assistant, **Families and Science Project and Project Reach**

Arizona State University, Sandra Simpkins, Ph.D.

2012-2013 Research Assistant, **Project PEERS**

Arizona State University, Nancy Eisenberg, Ph.D.

2012-2014 Lab Manager, **Child Language and Literacy Lab**

Arizona State University, Shelley Gray, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

2012-2014 Research Assistant and Teacher’s Aide, **Child Study Lab**

Arizona State University, Anne Kupfer, Ph.D.

2011-2012 Research Assistant, **Evolutionary Social Cognition Lab**

Arizona State University, Douglas Kenrick, Ph.D., Steven Neuberg, Ph.D.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Arizona State University, Instructor**

Major and Career Exploration (Fall 2020)

**University of Minnesota, Instructor**

Language Development and Communication (Spring 2019)

Introduction to Child Psychology (Spring 2018)

**University of Minnesota, Teaching Assistant**

Cognitive Development (Fall 2018)

Language Development and Communication (Spring 2017)

Introduction to Child Psychology (Fall 2016)

Perceptual Development (Fall 2016, Fall 2017)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**Peer Review**

Ad-hoc reviewer: *Developmental Science; Cognitive Science; Social Development; International Journal of Early Years Education; Frontiers in Psychology – Developmental Psychology*

Conference Reviewer: *Society for Philosophy and Psychology*

**To Profession**

2019-2021 Student Board Member, Cognitive Development Society

**To Community**

2020-*present* Consultant, Playful Learning Landscapes Action Network

2019-2021 Mentor and Co-Founder, Young Scientists Program

2015-2019 Mentor, Minds Matter Twin Cities Chapter

2015-2017 Intern, Playworks Minneapolis Chapter

2012-2013 Mentor, Barrett Mentoring Program, Arizona State University

2012-2014 Mentor, Quanta Mentoring Program, Arizona State University

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Society for Research in Child Development

American Education Research Association

Cognitive Development Society

Society for Philosophy and Psychology (*past*)

**EXPERTISE APPEARANCES**

2023 Invited Speaker, “Webinar: Playful Learning Conversations”, Playful Learning Landscapes Action Network, online. *Topics: Playful learning, accreditation, community engagement*

2023 Invited Speaker, “Symposium: Building a Child and Youth Centered Community”, Greentrike, Seattle, WA. *Topics: Community engagement, playful learning, child friendly urban design*

2022 Panel Speaker, “Fostering community and measuring impact: What’s working in playful learning cities”, Brookings Institution, Washington DC. *Topics: Community engaged research, playful learning, participatory action research*