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Education

University of California, Irvine

Ph.D., Cognitive Sciences

Anticipated 2026

M.S., Cognitive Neuroscience

Anticipated 2023

Advisors: Dr. Megan Peters and Dr. Aaron Bornstein

Boston College

B.S., Psychology (honors) and Philosophy, magna cum laude

May 2019

Scholar of the College Thesis: Securing the Reliability of Episodic Memory

Advisors: Dr. Maureen Ritchey (psychology) and Dr. Richard Atkins (philosophy)

Experience

Teaching Assistant, Perception and Sensory Processes, University of California, Irvine

Lab Manager and Research Assistant, De Brigard Lab, Duke University

Summer 2019-Summer 2021

Program Coordinator, Summer Seminars in Neuroscience and Philosophy

Interactive Student, Neuromatch Academy

Undergraduate Research Fellow, Ritchey Lab, Boston College

NSF-REU Fellow, Carrasco Lab, New York University

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Cordes Lab, Boston College

Spring 2017-Fall 2017

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Dr. Gene Heyman, Boston College

Fall 2016

Publications

- De Brigard, F., **Khoudary, M**., & Murray, S. (2022). Times Imagined and Remembered. In Hoerl, C., McCormack, T., & Fernandes, A. (Eds.). *Temporal Asymmetries in Philosophy and Psychology.* Oxford University Press.
- Mele, A., Nadelhoffer, T., **Khoudary, M**. (2021). Folk psychology and proximal intentions, *Philosophical Psychology*, 34:6, 761-783, DOI: 10.1080/09515089.2021.1915471
- **Khoudary, M.**, O'Neill, K.G., Faul, L., Murray, S., Smallman, R., De Brigard, F. (Resubmitted). Neural differences in dispositional versus situational counterfactual thoughts.
- **Khoudary, M**., Hanna, E., O'Neill, K.G., Iyengar, V., Clifford, S., De Brigard, F., Cabeza, R., Sinnott-Armstrong, W. (under review). A Functional Neuroimaging Investigation of Moral Foundations Theory.

Talks and Presentations (* denotes equal contribution)

- **Khoudary, M**., O'Neill, K.G., Faul, L., Murray, S., Smallman, R., De Brigard, F. (December 2021, April 2022). Neural differences between internal and external episodic counterfactual thoughts. *Flash talk presented virtually at Neuromatch Conference 4.0. Poster to be presented at the Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting.*
- Chen, J.*, Elowsky, C.*, **Khoudary, M**.*, Revsine, C.* (July 2020) Predicting fMRI Responses: a Machine Learning Approach. *Neuromatch Academy project presented in fulfillment of the Interactive Track.*
- **Khoudary, M**., Hanna, E., O'Neill, K.G., Iyengar, V., Clifford, S., De Brigard, F., Cabeza, R., Sinnott-Armstrong, W. (May 2020). A Functional Neuroimaging Investigation of Moral Foundations Theory. Poster presented virtually at the Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting.

 Poster presented virtually at the 2021 meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology.
- **Khoudary, M**., Cooper, R., Ritchey, M. (May 2019). Effects of divided attention on item and source memory. *Poster presented at the Boston College Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference.*
- **Khoudary, M**. (April 2019). How attention alters perception. *Talk given at Nu Rho Psi outreach event,* "What's New in the Brain?"
- **Khoudary, M.**, Jigo, M., Carrasco, M. (July 2018). Characterizing the effects of covert exogenous attention on contrast sensitivity across the visual field. *Poster presented at the NYU Summer Student Research Conference; talk given at the Center for Neural Science Summer Undergraduate Research Program Symposium.*

Awards and Honors

Diversity Recruitment Fellowship, University of California, Irvine		Spring 2021
Phi Beta Kappa, Boston College		Spring 2019
Scholar of the College, Boston College		Spring 2019
Order of the Cross and Crown, Boston College		Spring 2019
Research Experience for Undergraduates Fellow, National Science Foundation		Summer 2018
Dean's List, First Honors	Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 20	18, Fall 2018, Spring 2019
Nu Rho Psi, National Honor Society in Neuroscience		Fall 2018
Psi Chi, National Honor Society in Psychology		Fall 2017
Honors Program, Boston College Psychology Department		Fall 2017
Honors Program, Boston College Morrissey College of Arts and Sciences		Spring 2015

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Skills

Programming and Software

Intermediate proficiency: R; Python; MATLAB; Git; PLS Toolbox for MATLAB; PsychoPy; Google Colab Novice proficiency: TensorFlow; EEGLAB, MGL, and Psych toolboxes for MATLAB; SPSS

Data Collection (human subjects)

fMRI (8 coil 3T GE MR750) EEG (BioSemi 64 channel gel)
Behavioral (Qualtrics, Amazon Mechanical Turk, Prolific) Eye Tracking (EyeLink 1000)

Languages

Arabic (Native Levantine; novice Modern Standard)

Selected Leadership & Outreach

Founder, Philosophy and Neuroscience Journal Club, Duke University

Mentor, Psychology Department Mentorship Program, Boston College

President and Co-Founder, Nu Rho Psi, Boston College

Tutor, Connor's Family Learning Center, Boston College

President, Students for Education Reform, Boston College

Spring 2020-Spring 2019

Fall 2018-Spring 2019

Fall 2017-Spring 2019

Fall 2016-Spring 2018

References

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