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### Education

- 2020-present **PhD Student, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)**  
Sloan School of Management  
Management Science, Concentration in Marketing  
Advisor: David Rand, PhD
- 2016-2020 **B.S., Yale University**  
Cognitive Science (with distinction)  
Certificate in Data Science  
*magna cum laude*; GPA: 3.93  
Thesis: *Reliance on emotion promotes belief in fake news*

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### Academic Honors, Awards, & Grants

- 2020-present National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (\$102,000)  
2020-present MIT Sloan School of Management Graduate Fellowship  
2019 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society  
2019 Psi Chi Honor Society (Board Member)  
2019 Trumbull Richter Summer Fellowship (\$1,000)

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### Publications

- Allen, J., **Martel, C.**, & Rand, D. G. (*conditionally accepted*). Birds of a feather don't fact-check each other: Partisanship and the evaluation of news in Twitter's Birdwatch crowdsourcing fact-checking program. In *Proceedings of the 2021 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*.
- Gollwitzer, A., McLoughlin, K. L., **Martel, C.**, Marshall, J., Höhs, J. M., & Bargh, J. A. (2021). Linking self-reported social distancing to real-world behavior during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*. [[Link](#)].
- Mosleh, M., **Martel, C.**, Eckles, D., & Rand, D. G. (2021). Perverse downstream consequences of debunking: Being corrected by another user for posting false political news increases subsequent sharing of low quality, partisan, and toxic content in a Twitter field experiment. In *Proceedings of the 2021 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, 182, 1-13. [[Link](#)].

- Mosleh, M., **Martel, C.**, Eckels, D., & Rand, D. G. (2021). Shared partisanship dramatically increases social tie formation in a Twitter field experiment. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 118, e2022761118. [[Link](#)].
- Martel, C.**, Mosleh, M., & Rand, D. G. (2021). You're definitely wrong, maybe: Correction style has minimal effect on corrections of misinformation online. *Media and Communication*, 9, 120-133. [[Link](#)].
- Martel, C.**, Pennycook, G., & Rand, D. G. (2020). Reliance on emotion promotes belief in fake news. *Cognitive Research: Principles and Implications*, 5, 1-20. [[Link](#)].
- Gollwitzer, A., **Martel, C.**, Brady, W. J., Pärnamets, P., Freedman, I. G., Knowles, E. D., & Van Bavel, J. J. (2020). Partisan differences in physical distancing are linked to health outcomes during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Nature Human Behaviour*, 4, 1186-1197. [[Link](#)].
- Gollwitzer, A., **Martel, C.**, Bargh, J. A., & Chang, S. W. C. (2020). Aversion towards simple broken patterns predicts moral judgment. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 160, 109810. [[Link](#)].
- Gollwitzer, A., **Martel, C.**, McPartland, J. C., & Bargh, J. A. (2019). Commentary: Reply to Taylor et al.: Acknowledging the multi-dimensionality of autism when predicting social psychological skill. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 116, 25380-25381. [[Link](#)].
- Gollwitzer, A., **Martel, C.**, McPartland, J. C., & Bargh, J. A. (2019). Autism spectrum traits predict higher social psychological skill. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 116, 19245-19247. [[Link](#)].

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*Manuscripts Submitted or Under Review*

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- Gollwitzer, A., **Martel, C.**, & Bargh, J. A. (invited for resubmission). Aversion towards pattern deviancy heightens social norm support.

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*Manuscripts in Preparation*

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- Mosleh, M.<sup>†</sup>, **Martel, C.**<sup>†</sup>, Eckles, D., & Rand, D. G. (in prep.). Social correction of fake news across party lines.
- Martel, C.** & Rand, D. G. (in prep.) Does distrust in fact-checkers actually undermine the effect of fact-checks?
- Martel, C.**, Pennycook, G., & Rand, D. G. (in prep.). Cognitive reflection relates negatively to social desirability.

**Martel, C.,** Weinberg-Wolf, H., Dohmann, J., Chen, K. Y., & Chang, S. W. C. (in prep.). Bibliometric analysis uncovers uncertainty in serotonin receptor functions.

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*Popular Press Articles*

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**Martel, C.** (2021). Believing false news: A crime of passion? *Character & Context – Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. [[Link](#)].

Pennycook, G., **Martel, C.**, & Rand, D. G. (2019). Knowing how fake news preys on your emotions can help you spot it. *Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC)*. [[Link](#)].

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*Posters & Presentations*

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**Martel, C.** (2021, November). *Does distrust in fact-checkers actually undermine the effect of fact-checks?* Presentation at Tufts T-Tripods Workshop on Understanding Misinformation and Disinformation, Tufts University (virtual).

**Martel, C.** (2021, November). *Does distrust in fact-checkers actually undermine the effect of fact-checks?* Presentation at The Gruter Institute for Law and Behavioral Research Conference, Palisades Tahoe, CA.

**Martel, C.** (2021, November). *Does distrust in fact-checkers actually undermine the effect of fact-checks?* Poster at the Conference on Digital Experimentation (CODE) @ MIT.

**Martel, C.** (2021, August). *Watching the Birdwatchers: Examining the helpfulness of crowdsourced fact-checking on Twitter*. Poster at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS). [[Link](#)].

Mosleh, M., **Martel, C.**, Eckles, D., & Rand, D. G. (2021, July). *Shared partisanship dramatically increases social tie formation in a Twitter field experiment*. Talk at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC2S2), Zurich, CH (virtual).

**Martel, C.**, Pennycook, G., & Rand, D. G. (2020, December). *Reliance on emotion promotes belief in fake news*. Poster at The Society for Judgment and Decision Making Annual Meeting. [[Link](#)].

Mosleh, M.<sup>†</sup>, **Martel, C.**<sup>†</sup>, Eckles, D., & Rand, D. G. (2020, December). *Social corrections across party lines in a Twitter field experiment*. Poster at The Society for Judgment and Decision Making Annual Meeting. [[Link](#)].

Mosleh, M., **Martel, C.**, Eckles, D., & Rand, D. G. (2020, November). *Partisanship and microfoundation of echo chambers: Causal effects of partisanship on*

*preferential social tie formation*. Presentation at the Conference on Digital Experimentation (CODE) @ MIT.

Mosleh, M., **Martel, C.**, Eckles, D., & Rand, D. G. (2020, November). *Social corrections across party lines in a Twitter field experiment*. Poster at the Conference on Digital Experimentation (CODE) @ MIT.

Mosleh, M., **Martel, C.**, Eckles, D., & Rand, D. G. (2020, August). *I think you shared fake news!: Engagement with corrective messages on social media*. Presentation at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference on Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS).

**Martel, C.**, Weinberg-Wolf, H., Dohmann, J., Chen, K. Y., & Chang, S. W. C. (2020, July). *Text mining and topic modeling uncovers uncertainty in serotonin receptor functions*. Poster at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC2S2), Boston, MA (virtual).

**Martel, C.** (2019, November). *Reliance on emotion promotes belief in fake news*. Presentation at the Trumbull Mellon Forum, Trumbull College, Yale University.

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### *Teaching Experience*

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March 2021	Z14445s1: False News: Why People Believe It, and How to Catch Online Lies. [Co-teacher]. 7-8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Class, MIT Spark. Student overall ratings: mean 5.0/5.0
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### *Service & Public Engagement*

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<i>Ad-hoc Reviewing</i>	Transactions on the Web; Psychophysiology; Personality and Individual Differences; Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization; Journal of Medical Internet Research; Computers in Human Behavior; Current Psychology; Information, Communication and Society
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<i>Presentations</i>	Martel, C. (2021, March). <i>Misinformation &amp; Alternative Facts: What Can We Do About It?</i> Presentation at the Free Flow Forum, North Hill Retirement Community, Needham, MA.
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### *Selected Media Coverage*

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2021	<b>The Boston Globe</b> <i>News Article: Correcting misinformation on social media may spread it further</i> [ <a href="#">Link</a> ]
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2021	<b>Science News</b>
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*News Article: A few simple tricks make fake news stories stick in the brain* [[Link](#)]

2021

**MIT News**

*News Article: How shared partisanship leads to social media connections* [[Link](#)]

2020

**The Quint**

*News Article: Mood, emotional state make you fall for online misinformation* [[Link](#)]

2019

**Yale Daily News**

*News Article: Those with autistic traits may make good social psychologists* [[Link](#)]

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### *Skills*

*Languages*

R (Tidyverse), Python (Pandas, Scikit-Learn), Java, SPSS

*Programs*

Mechanical Turk (MTurk), Qualtrics, Zotero, G\*Power

*Musical*Clarinet, [Bass Clarinet](#), Saxophone, Piano, [Keyboard](#)