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Education and Research Experience

- 2020-Present PhD Student, Department of Cognitive and Information Sciences
University of California, Merced
- 2018-2022 Visiting Fellow, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
Harvard University
- 2019 Master of Arts in Anthropology
Texas A&M University
- 2016 Bachelor of Science with Honors in Anthropology, Minors in Statistics and Biology
Florida State University

Manuscripts

- 2022 **Moser, C.** & Smaldino, P. E. (In prep). The Network Science of Cumulative Innovations.

Smaldino, P. E., **Moser, C.**, Pérez Velilla, A., Werling, M. Maintaining transient diversity is a general principle for improving collective problem solving. *Submitted*.
<https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/ykrv5/>
- Moser, C.**, Buckner, W., Sarian, M., Winking, J. Aggressive Mimicry and the Evolution of the Human Cognitive Niche. *Submitted*. <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/hbtf7/>
- Holbrook, C., Yoon, L., Fessler, D. M. T., **Moser, C.**, Delgado, J. D., Kim, H. (2022). Moral Parochialism and Causal Appraisal of Transgressive Harm in Seoul and Los Angeles. *Scientific Reports*, 12, 14227.
- *Hilton, C. B., ***Moser, C. J.**, Bertolo, M., Lee-Rubin, H., Amir, D., Bainbridge, C. M., ... & Mehr, S. A. (2022). Acoustic regularities in infant-directed speech and song across cultures. *Nature Human Behaviour*, 1-12.
- ¹ **Moser, C.**, & Smaldino, P. E. (2022). Organizational Development as Generative Entrenchment. *Entropy*, 24(7), 879.
- Pérez Velilla, A., **Moser, C.**, Smaldino, P. E. (2022). Hidden Clusters Beyond Ethnic Boundaries. [commentary on Uchiyama et al.]” *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 45.
- 2021 **Moser, C.**, Ackerman, J., Dayer, A., Proksch, S., & Smaldino, P. E. (2021). Why don't cockatoos have war songs? [commentary on Mehr et al. and Savage et al.]. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 44.

¹ Awarded “Feature paper” by journal

* Denotes co-principal authorship

Talks and Poster Presentations

- 2022 Invited Panelist: Early Career Researcher (ECR) Panel
2022 Big Team Science Conference

Poster: The Network Science of Cumulative Innovations
8th International Conference on Computational Social Science

Podium Talk: The Network Science of Cumulative Innovations
Institute for Humane Studies 2022 Graduate Conference

Invited Talk: Acoustic Regularities in Infant-directed Speech and Song Across Cultures
University of Cambridge Centre for Music and Science

Invited Talk: Acoustic Regularities in Infant-Directed Speech and Song Across Cultures
UC Merced Developmental Psychology Colloquium

2021 Podium Talk: Structural and Mechanistic Analogies in Evolutionary Thinking
California Workshop on Evolutionary Social Science

Invited Talk: Theory of Mind Towards Non-Human Animals
Yale Department of Psychology

2019 Poster: Aggressive Mimicry as a Human Hunting Strategy
Human Behavior and Evolution Society 31st Annual Conference

Poster: Acoustical Regularities in Infant-Direct Vocalizations Worldwide
Acoustical Society of America 177th Meeting

2018 Poster: Echolocation in a Nocturnal Primate?
American Association of Physical Anthropologists 87th Annual Meeting

2016 Poster: Anti-Predator Behaviors in Four Species of Nocturnal Strepsirrhine
American Association of Physical Anthropologists 85th Annual Meeting
Duke Lemur Center 50th Anniversary Scientific Symposium

Non-Academic Articles

2020 *Freeman Dyson, In Memoriam* – Areo Magazine
Driver's License Suspensions and Fees Unfairly Impact the Poor And Are in Need of Reform– Reason.org

2019 *The Enigma of Stephen Jay Gould* – Skeptic Magazine 24.3
There's Little Reason to Worry About the SAT's New Adversity Score – Areo Magazine
"Is Science Racist?" Book Review – Areo Magazine

2018 *The Selfish Nature of Human Cooperation* – Areo Magazine
The Dangers of Dugin's Particularism – Quillette Magazine
Alice Dreger's Middle Finger: Sex, Gender and Unhelpful Hair-Splitting – Areo Magazine

Service Positions

2022-2023 Senior Organizer & Campus Representative
California Workshop on Evolutionary Social Science

2021-Present UC Merced Cognitive Science Department Twitter Account

Graduate Student Mentor
Cognitive Science Student Association at UC Merced

2021-2022 Junior Organizer & Campus Representative

California Workshop on Evolutionary Social Science

- 2016-2018 Coordinator
Texas A&M Department of Anthropology Graduate-Undergraduate Mentorship Program (GUMP)
- Mentor
Texas A&M University GLBT+ Mentorship Program

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- 2022 Oskar Morgenstern Fellowship, The Mercatus Center - \$2,500
- UC Merced Graduate Student Association Travel Award - \$400
- Institute for Humane Studies, Hayek Travel Award - \$800
- 2021 Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies - \$3,000
- 2016 Texas A&M MSC LT Jordan Institute for International Awareness Fellowship - \$2,000
- TAMU Department of Anthropology Pilot Research Funding Award - \$2,400
- Murray & Celeste Fasken Chair in Liberal Arts Research Award - \$500
- 2015 Florida State University Homepage Featured Student
- ACC Undergraduate Collaborative Summer Research Award – \$5,000

Internships

- 2020 Transportation Policy Research Intern
Reason Foundation
- Poverty and Inequality in California Project Research Intern
Cato Institute
- 2016 Lab Assistant
Center for Anchored Phylogenomics

Workshops and Training

- 2022 Institute for Progress: Economics of Ideas, Science and Innovation PhD Course
- National Science Foundation & Santa Fe Institute: Complexity-GAINs International Summer School on Disintegration of Societies
- Complexity Science Hub Vienna: International Spring School on Social Complexity
- 2021 National Science Foundation: Societal Shock Resilience Workshop
- 2020 Santa Fe Institute: Evolution of Collective Computational Abilities of (Pre)Historical Societies Workshop

Selected Media Coverage

The Guardian: Gaga for goo goo: Wellington named the global capital of baby talk (07/22/2022)

New York Times: Front cover, ‘Parentese’ Is Truly a Lingua Franca, Global Study Finds (07/25/2022)

The Today Show: Baby Talk is Universal (07/25/2022)

NPR, All Things Considered: The science is in: Everyone recognizes and uses baby talk with infants (07/31/2022)

NPR, Goats and Soda: Scholars confirm what it'sy bitsy babies around the world already know (08/14/2022)

Every Little Thing Podcast: Why do we baby talk? (09/26/2022)

Peer Review Contributions

Developmental Science

Evolution and Human Behavior

Cognition and Emotion

Evolutionary Human Sciences

Professional Memberships

California Workshop on Evolutionary Social Sciences

Cultural Evolution Society

Human Behavior and Evolution Society

Long Now Foundation

Skills and Languages

Skills:

Agent-based models, phonetics and acoustic analysis, networks, text-scraping, field primatology

Languages (coding):

Python, R, NetLogo

Languages (actual):

English (Native), German (Working Proficiency)