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## EDUCATION

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**University of California, San Diego**

*(expected) 2023*

Ph.D. *Experimental Psychology*

**Stanford University**

*2014*

M.S., B.S. *Symbolic Systems*

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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Katzin Graduate Fellowship for outstanding UCSD graduate students (\$50,000)

*Sep. 2018*

K. Jon Barwise Award for distinguished contributions to Stanford Symbolic Systems

*Jun. 2014*

Stanford Symbolic Systems Undergraduate Advising Fellow

*2013, 2014*

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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**UCSD Psychology Data Science Club** Club leader

*May 2019 - present*

**UCSD Psychology Colloquium Series** Graduate Student Officer

*May 2019 - present*

**UCSD Psychology Student Speaker Series** Graduate Student Officer

*May 2019 - present*

**Stanford Symbolic Systems Student Society** Founder

*2013*

## ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

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Cognitive Science Society (Student Member)

*2018*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**UC San Diego Computational Cognition Lab**

*Sep. 2018 - present*

*Ph.D. Student*

- Bayesian cognitive modeling (PI: Edward Vul)

**Stanford Virtual Human Interaction Lab**

*Sep. 2012 - June 2014*

*Master's Student, research assistant*

- Master's thesis on learning in virtual environments (Advisor: Jeremy Bailenson, Daniel Schwartz)
- Research assistant and programmer (PI: Jeremy Bailenson)

**Kidaptive**

*Jun. 2013 - Sep. 2013*

*Summer Research & Development Intern*

- IRB-approved efficacy research to inform product design (PI: Michael Frank)
- Internal tooling for data visualization (D3.js)

**Stanford AAA Lab (School of Education)**

*Mar. 2011 - Sep. 2011*

*Undergraduate Research Assistant*

- Research assistant and programmer (PI: Daniel Schwartz)

## PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

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Brockbank, E., Smith, K., & Vul, E. (In press). When do people use containment heuristics for physical predictions? In *CogSci*.

Brockbank, E., & Vul, E. (In press). Mapping visual features onto numbers. In *CogSci*.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Industrial & Organizational Psychology	<i>Jul. - Aug. 2019</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Developmental Psychology	<i>Jan. - Mar. 2019</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Media Economics (Comm. dept.)	<i>Mar. - Jun. 2014</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Introduction to Cognitive Science	<i>Jan. - Mar. 2014</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	<i>Sep. - Dec. 2012</i>

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

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**Dropbox** *Aug. 2017 - Aug. 2018*  
*Site Reliability Engineer*

- Software development for server allocation and lifecycle management tooling (python, Golang, gRPC)
- Oncall, monitoring, and alerting responsibilities for internal services

**Dropbox** *Jul. 2015 - Aug. 2017*  
*Capacity Engineer*

- Engineering: developed pipelines for data ingestion, processing, and storage, along with web front-ends and reporting for capacity management (python, html/css/javascript, MySQL)
- Analytics and modeling: modeled database, compute, and analytics server demand for annual infrastructure budget and various infrastructure initiatives (Excel, HiveQL, python)
- Project management: managed datacenter decommissioning, software service migrations, sharded database expansion, and new server hardware development

**Dropbox** *Aug. 2014 - Jul. 2015*  
*Dropbox Rotational Program*

- Business and analytics experience on web marketing, inbound sales, and technical support teams

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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<b>Languages</b>	Python; Golang; experience with Java, C++, C
<b>Web</b>	HTML; CSS; Javascript (jQuery, Flask, Django, D3.js)
<b>Databases</b>	MySQL; HiveQL
<b>Analytics</b>	R; Python (Anaconda, Jupyter); Matlab; Excel
<b>Other</b>	Spanish (fluent)