Jackie Heitzner

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts Honours, Psychology and Social Development Studies

2019 - Present

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada CGPA: 91.37% | Psychology GPA: 94.29%

Honours Thesis: The Effects of Effort Mobilization on Mind Wandering and Attention During Online

Lectures

• Supervisor: Dr. Daniel Smilek, Collaborator: Dr. Derek Albert

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **Heitzner**, **J.**, Derek, A. & Smilek, D. (Jul 2024). *The Effects of Effort Mobilization on Attention and Learning During Online Lectures*. Poster, Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science, Edmonton, AB.
- **Heitzner, J.,** Pereira, E. J., Ayers-Glassey, S., Korst-Fagundes, B., & Smilek, D. (Jul 2023). *Are attention and learning during online video lectures influenced by the presence and relevance of chat comments?* Poster, Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science, Guelph, ON.
- **Heitzner, J.**, Pereira, E. J., Ayers-Glassey, S., Korst-Fagundes, B., Smilek, D. (April 2023). *Chatterbox: Exploring the Effects of Chat Messages in Online Lecture Environments*. Poster, 2023 Psychology Discovery Conference, Waterloo, ON.

ARTICLES IN PREPERATION

• Pereira, E. J., **Heitzner, J.**, Stuart, N., Ayers-Glassey, S., Korst-Fagundes, B., & Smilek, D. Attention and learning during online video lectures are influenced by the presence and relevance of chat comments.

RESEARCH FUNDING

NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA) - 2023
University of Waterloo, Supervisor: Dr. Daniel Smilek

National \$6000

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ACADEMIC AWARDS & HONOURS

Fairfax Financial Academic Honour Roll Athletic Award - 2024
Institutional \$1000

O University of Waterloo; Given to the top 4 varsity athletes with the highest academic averages in the athletics department.

• University of Waterloo Athletic Financial Award – 2023, 2024 In.

Institutional \$500

• University of Waterloo Merit Scholarship – 2020

Institutional \$1000

• Dean's Honours List, University of Waterloo – 2021 - Present

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

• Paid Research Assistant

Jan. 2024 – Present

- Project Title: Understanding and Implementing the Best Practices for Teaching and Supporting Teaching Assistants in the Classroom.
- Supervisors: A. Giannikouris & Dr. K. McKay, Engineering

Primary Duties: Survey creation, Data dissemination

• Paid Research Assistant

Jan. 2024 – Present

- Project Title: Beyond the (numerical) grade: Investigating the effectiveness of alternative grading schemes for engineering design project courses
- o Supervisors: Dr. A. Hurst & Dr. K. McKay, Engineering
 - Primary Duties: Systematic Literature Review

• Honours Seminar Directed Studies Project

Sep. 2023 – Dec. 2023

- Project Title: Does attention look different between clinical psychology and cognitive psychology?
- O Supervisor: Dr. B. Anderson
 - Primary Duties: Literature review, Website creation, Student Workshop

• NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award

May 2023 – Aug. 2023

- o Supervisor: Dr. D. Smilek
 - Primary Duties: Literature review, Lab organization, Coding skill development

• Natural Science Research Directed Studies Project

Jan. 2023 – Apr. 2023

- o Project Title: Chatterbox: exploring the effects of chat messages in online lecture environments
- O Supervisors: Dr. E. Pereira & Dr. D. Smilek
 - Primary Duties: lit review, ethics creation, data collection, data analysis, study report, poster presentation.

• Paid Research Assistant

Sep. 2022 – Jan. 2024

- o Supervisor: Dr. Fugelsang
 - Primary Duties: Study programing, website management, ethics applications, data entry, data coding.
- Volunteer Research Assistant

Sep. 2022 – Dec. 2023

- o Supervisor: Dr. D. Smilek
 - Primary Duties: Acting as a confederate RA, Data collection.
- Volunteer Research Assistant

Sep. 2021 – Aug. 2022

- o Supervisor: Dr. Fugelsang
 - Primary Duties: Study programming in Qualtrics, Data collection, Data coding.

CAMPUS INVOLVMENT & SERVICE

•	Fencing Club Executive – Social Convener	Sep. 2023 – Dec. 2023
•	Arts Endowment Fund – Arts Undergraduate Rep.	May 2023 – Present
•	Arts Faculty Committee on Student Appeals (FCSA)	May 2023 – Present
•	Psychology Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee (EDI)	Sep. 2022 – Present
•	Fencing Club Executive - Armourer	May 2023 – Aug. 2023
•	Chair of Psychology Nomination Committee	Sep. 2022 – Apr. 2023

ATHLETICS

• University of Waterloo Varsity Fencing Team

Jan. 2023 - Present

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

• University of Waterloo Psychology Society | Arts Student Union | Canadian Society for Brain Behaviour and Cognitive Science | Women in Cognitive Science – Canada

SKILLS

• TCPS 2: CORE-2022 | Qualtrics | PsychoPy | SPSS | R | Excel