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curriculum vitae

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languages

german & english
bilingual · french &
spanish notions

coding

</> R · Python · SAS ·
Matlab · Netlogo · \LaTeX
· Java · XML · HTML ·
CSS · JavaScript

education

2014–present **Ph. D. Student · Psychology / Cognitive Sciences**
2017 **M. A. Psychology / Cognitive Sciences**
2012 **B. S. Psychology**

Georgia State University

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Martin Luther University · Germany

grants & awards

2016–present **Duane M. Rumbaugh Fellowship Grant**
2016 **Birnbaum Scholarship**

Georgia State University

Society for Computers in Psychology

publications

journal articles

- Talbot CF, Parrish A, **Watzek J**, Essler JL, Leverett KL, Paukner A, Brosnan SF (2017) The influence of reward quality and quantity and spatial proximity on the responses to inequity and contrast in capuchin monkeys (*Cebus [Sapajus] apella*). J Comp Psychol. doi:10.1037/com0000088
- Suchak M, **Watzek J**, Quarles LF, de Waal FBM (2017) Novice chimpanzees cooperate successfully in the presence of experts, but may have limited understanding of the task. Anim Cogn. doi:10.1007/s10071-017-1142-2
- Eppley TM, **Watzek J**, Hall K, Donati G (2017) Climatic, social and reproductive influences on behavioural thermoregulation in a female-dominated lemur. Anim Behav 134:25-34. doi:10.1016/j.anbehav.2017.10.003
- Eppley TM, **Watzek J**, Dausmann KH, Ganzhorn JU, Donati G (2017) Huddling is more important than rest site selection for thermoregulation in southern bamboo lemurs. Anim Behav 127:153-161. doi:10.1016/j.anbehav.2017.03.019
- Eppley TM, **Watzek J**, Ganzhorn JU, Donati G (2017) Predator avoidance and dietary fibre predict diurnality in the cathemeral folivore *Hapalemur meridionalis*. Behav Ecol Sociobiol 71:4. doi:10.1007/s00265-016-2247-3

submitted

- Watzek J**, Brosnan SF (*submitted*) (Ir)rational choices of humans, rhesus macaques, and capuchin monkeys in dynamic stochastic environments.
- Amici F, Call J, **Watzek J**, Brosnan SF, Aureli F (*submitted*) Making decisions when the social context changes: Social inhibition and behavioural flexibility.
- Aharoni E, Jahedi S, Haskell A, **Watzek J**, Parker A, Fridlund A (*submitted*) Thinking outside the (ballot) box: Effects of cost framing on simulated voting decisions.

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book chapters

submitted

Watzek J, Smith MF, Brosnan SF (*submitted*) Comparative economics: Using experimental economics paradigms to understand primate social decision-making. In: d'Almeida AF, di Paolo LD, di Vincenzo F (eds) *Evolution of Primate Social Cognition*. Springer.

Smith MF, **Watzek J**, Brosnan SF (*submitted*) Strategies used by non-human primates in dynamic games. In: Croson R, Capra M, Rigdon MI, Rosenblat T (eds) *Handbook of Experimental Game Theory*. Edward Elgar Publishing.

presentations

talks

- 2017 “Strategic decision-making in capuchins (*Cebus apella*), rhesus monkeys (*Macaca mulatta*), and humans during a competitive two-player game.” American Society of Primatologists, Washington, DC.
- 2016 “Capuchin monkeys, but neither humans nor rhesus, are ‘irrational maximizers’ in a stochastic environment.” Comparative Cognition Society, Boston, MA.
- 2015 “Chimpanzees assess potential benefits before investing in a cooperative task.” American Society of Primatologists, Bend, OR. [Published abstract] *Am J Primatol* 77(S1):90. doi:10.1002/ajp.22494
- 2015 “More for me, less for you: Capuchin monkeys’ (*Cebus apella*) responses to inequity in a group setting.” Animal Behavior Society, Anchorage, AK.
- 2014 “Contextual stability of behaviorally assessed personality traits in two groups of captive chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*).” American Society of Primatologists, Decatur, GA. [Published abstract] *Am J Primatol* 76(S1):79. doi:10.1002/ajp.22382
- 2014 “Navigating pitfalls of researcher/caretaker collaboration.” [Invited talk] Georgetown College Seminar: Cognition, Enrichment, and Collaboration, Zoo Atlanta, GA.

posters

- 2017 “Justice at all costs? Transparency about the costs of incarceration decreases criminal sentencing recommendations by laypeople.” Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.
- 2016 “Rational fools: Capuchins but not rhesus monkeys violate transitivity to maximize their gains in stochastic environments.” Psychonomic Society, Boston, MA. [Published abstract] *Abstracts of the Psychonomic Society* 21:172-173
- 2016 “WhatsOb: An Android app for note-taking during behavioral observations.” Society for Computers in Psychology, Boston, MA.
- 2016 “Rational fools: Capuchin monkeys’ (*Cebus apella*) (ir)rational choices in stochastic environments.” International Primatological Society and the American Society of Primatologists, Chicago, IL.
- 2011 “Less is more: Great apes’ understanding of probabilities.” Regional Conference of Developmental Psychologists, Halle (Saale), Germany.

departmental talks

- 2016 “Rational fools: (Ir)rational choices of humans, rhesus macaques, and capuchin monkeys in dynamic stochastic environments.” Cognitive Sciences Seminar, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

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2015 “More for me, less for you: Capuchin monkeys’ (*Cebus apella*) responses to inequity in a group setting.” Cognitive Sciences Seminar, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

posters by undergraduate mentees

2017 Le EH, Truscott CG. “Chimpanzees’ and capuchin monkeys’ responses to inequity in a group setting.” Georgia State Undergraduate Research Conference, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.
 * *Best Poster Award for the Social and Behavioral Sciences*

2016 Fakhri A, Le EH. “Capuchin monkeys respond to advantageous inequity.” Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

teaching

Fall 2017	Introduction to General Psychology Instructor of Record · Undergraduate	Georgia State University
Fall 2015/16	Psychology of Animal Behavior Guest Lecturer · Advanced Undergraduate: · Cooperation · Comparative Economics · Monkey Business: Comparative Economics and Decision-Making	Georgia State University
Spr 2014	Primate Social Psychology Guest Lecturer · Advanced Undergraduate: · Social Complexity of Non-Primates	Emory University
Sum 2010/12, Win 2010	Quantitative Methods in Psychology I & II Teaching Assistant · Undergraduate	Martin Luther University · Germany
Win 2009	Introduction to R for Statistics Instructor of Record · Undergraduate	Martin Luther University · Germany

research

2016–present	Cooperation, Conflict, & Cognition Lab Graduate Student Researcher (PI: Eyal Aharoni)	Georgia State University
2014–present	Language Research Center CEBUS Lab · Graduate Student Researcher (PI: Sarah Brosnan)	Georgia State University
2012–2014	Yerkes National Primate Research Center Living Links Center · Lab Manager · Chimpanzee Research Specialist	Emory University
2011–2012	Inkawu Vervet Project · South Africa Field Research Assistant	U's of St Andrews, Neuchâtel, Zürich, & Cape Town
2010–2011	Wolfgang Köhler Primate Research Center Research Assistant · Bachelor Student	Zoo Leipzig · Germany
2010–2011	Educational Psychology Lab Lab Coordinator	Martin Luther University · Germany
2010	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry & Psychotherapy Intern	St Elisabeth Hospital Halle · Germany
2009–2010	Psychology of Perception Lab Research Assistant	Martin Luther University · Germany
2009–2010	Social Psychology Lab Research Assistant	Martin Luther University · Germany

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professional societies

Animal Behavior Society · American Society of Primatologists · APA Division 3: Society for Experimental Psychology and Cognitive Science · Association for Psychological Science · Comparative Cognition Society · International Society of Primatologists · Psi Chi · Psychonomic Society · Society for Computers in Psychology

ad hoc reviewer

American Journal of Primatology · Journal of Comparative Psychology

outreach

2016, 2017	Adventure in Science Day Science outreach for children · Atlanta, GA	Fernbank Museum of Natural History
2015, 2017	Brain Awareness Campaign K-12 classroom visits · Atlanta, GA	Society for Neuroscience
2013	Nerd Nite Presentation · We are 98 % chimp and 50 % bananas: What apes can teach us about our own shortcomings · Atlanta, GA	
2012–2014	Tour Guide Yerkes National Primate Research Center	Emory University
2010–2011	Tour Guide Wolfgang Köhler Primate Research Center	Zoo Leipzig · Germany