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Research Active learning, teaching, social learning, speed of processing Interests

EDUCATION Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Ph.D., Developmental Psychology, Expected: Summer 2018

• Thesis Topic:

• Advisor: Michael Frank, Ph.D

Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

B.A., Psychology (with High Honors), May 2010

• Thesis Topic: Group membership and preschoolers' selective trust

• Advisor: Hilary Barth, Ph.D

RESEARCH Lab M EXPERIENCE Lar

Lab Manager

May 2010 to August 2013

Language Learning Lab, Department of Psychology, Stanford University

Anne Fernald, Ph.D

Research Assistant

June 2008 to May 2010

Cognitive Development Lab,

Department of Psychology, Wesleyan University Hilary Barth, Ph.D and Anna Shusterman, Ph.D

Publications

- 1. **MacDonald, K.**, & Frank, M.C. (under review). When does passive learning improve the effectiveness of active learning?
- 2. **MacDonald, K.**, Yurovsky, D., & Frank, M.C. (under review). Social cues modulate the representations underlying cross-situational learning.
- 3. MacDonald, K., LaMarr, T., Corina, D., Marchman V.A., & Fernald, A. (in prep). Age-related changes in real-time American Sign Language comprehension.
- 4. MacDonald, K., Yurovsky, D., & Frank, M.C. (2015). Referential cues modulate attention and memory during cross-situational word learning. Proceedings of the 37th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society.
- Barth, H., Bhandari, K., Garcia, J., MacDonald, K., & Chase, E. (2014).
 Preschoolers trust novel members of accurate speakers? groups and judge them favorably. Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology, 67, 872-883.
- 6. MacDonald, K., Schug, M., Chase, E. & Barth, H. (2013). My People, Right or Wrong? Minimal Group Membership Disrupts Children's Selective Trust in Testimony. *Cognitive Development* 28, 247-259.

AWARDS NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, 2014

Walkley Prize for Excellence in Psychological Research, Wesleyan University, 2010

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Presentations

- MacDonald, K., Yurovsky, D., & Frank, M.C.. (2015). Social cues modulate
 the strength of encoding alternative referents in cross-situational word learning.
 Conference talk submitted to the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in
 Child Development, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2. MacDonald, K., Corina, D., Marchman, V., & Fernald, A. (2015). Age-related changes in children? s real-time American Sign Language sentence processing. Conference talk submitted to the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, PA.
- 3. Bion, R., **MacDonald, K.**, & Fernald, A. (2013). M-o-o-s as cues: Young children map novel animal vocalizations to unfamiliar animals. Symposium submitted to the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.
- 4. MacDonald, K., Corina, D., Marchman, V., & Fernald, A. (2013). Real Time Processing of ASL in Deaf and Hearing Native-Signing Infants. Poster submitted to the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.
- MacDonald, K., Bion, R., Adams, K., Marchman, V., Hurtado, N., & Fernald, A. (2012). M-o-o-s as cues: Young children map novel animal vocalizations to unfamiliar animals. Poster presented at the biennial International Conference on Infant Studies, Minneapolis, MN.
- MacDonald, K., Schug, M., & Barth, H. (2011). My people, right or wrong? Minimal group membership disrupts children's selective trust in testimony. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Canada.
- Barth, H., Garcia, J., Slusser, E., MacDonald, K., Acheampong, A., Kanjlia, S., & Santiago, R. (2011). Proportional reasoning shapes children's number-line estimates. Conference abstract. Biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Canada.
- 8. Sullivan, J., MacDonald, K., Paladino, A., & Barth, H. (2009). Children's mappings of number words to large numerosities. Conference abstract. Biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, CO.
- 9. Schug, M., Patalano, A., Barth, H., Shusterman, A., Herrig, E., & MacDonald, K. (2009). Group bias, statistical reasoning, and social judgments. Conference abstract. Biennial meeting of the Cognitive Development Society, San Antonio, TX.
- 10. MacDonald, K. & Barth, H. (2008). Learning the meaning of large number words. Poster presented at the Quantitative Analysis Center Poster Session, Wesleyan University, CT.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE Teaching Assistant

Fall 2015

Developmental Psychology Instructors: Michael C. Frank Department of Psychology, Stanford University

Teaching Fellow

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