

# Sean Devine

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## Summary

PhD Student in Cognitive Science at McGill University and Behavioural Scientist at Intact Insurance

## Education

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| <b>McGill University</b><br>Ph.D. In Experimental Psychology (Cognitive Science) | Montreal, Canada<br>2020-2024 |
| <b>Concordia University</b><br>Master Of Experimental Psychology                 | Montreal, Canada<br>2020      |
| <b>Concordia University</b><br>Bachelor Of Psychology                            | Montreal, Canada<br>2018      |

## Experience

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| <b>Behavioural Scientist</b><br>Internship   | IntactLab<br>(Intact Insurance)<br>2023-Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Developed behavioural interventions to solve both client-facing and employee business problems</li><li>- Leveraged AI (PyTorch, XGBOOST) models for topic modeling, risk prediction, and sentiment analysis</li><li>- Analyzed large data sources to simulate business path success likelihood</li><li>- Designed scientific experiments to test new products and ideas</li><li>- Introduced new statistical techniques (e.g., Bayesian analysis) into industry</li><li>- Developed new analysis pipelines and integrated with existing dashboards (PowerBI)</li></ul> |   |
| <b>Otto Lab</b><br>Ph.D. Student (supervisor: Dr. Ross Otto)   | McGill University<br>2020-Present               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Designed numerous experiments, using Python, JavaScript, and MATLAB (including backend with SQL and PostgreSQL)</li><li>- Analyzed experimental and large-scale consumer data</li><li>- Fit computational and deep learning models to empirical data</li><li>- Published results in high-impact, peer-reviewed, journals</li><li>- Presented results at multiples international conferences</li><li>- Led multiple workshops, teaching colleagues and students advanced statistical techniques</li></ul>   |   |
| <b>Lifespan Decision-Making Lab</b><br>Masters Student and Research Coordinator (supervisor: Dr. Ross Otto)  | Concordia University<br>2018-2020               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Designed numerous experiments, using Python, JavaScript, and MATLAB</li><li>- Analyzed experimental data, resulting in the completion of a master's thesis and defence</li><li>- Fit computational models to empirical data</li><li>- Published results in high-impact, peer-reviewed, journals</li><li>- Presented results at multiples international conferences</li><li>- Digitized pre-existing paper-and-pencil experiments, implementing open science best practices</li></ul>   |   |

## Other Work and Extracurricular Experience

### Teaching Assistantships

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| <b>Introduction to Statistics</b><br>McGill University         | 2020-2022 |
| <b>Statistics for Experimental Design</b><br>McGill University | 2021      |
| <b>Statistical Analysis I</b><br>Concordia University          | 2020      |

### Editorial Activities—Reviewer

I have reviewed articles for the following journals: Perspectives in Psychological Science, Cognitive, Affective, & Behavioural Neuroscience, Cognition, Royal Society for Open Science, Advances in Cognitive Science, and the Journal of Trial and Error.

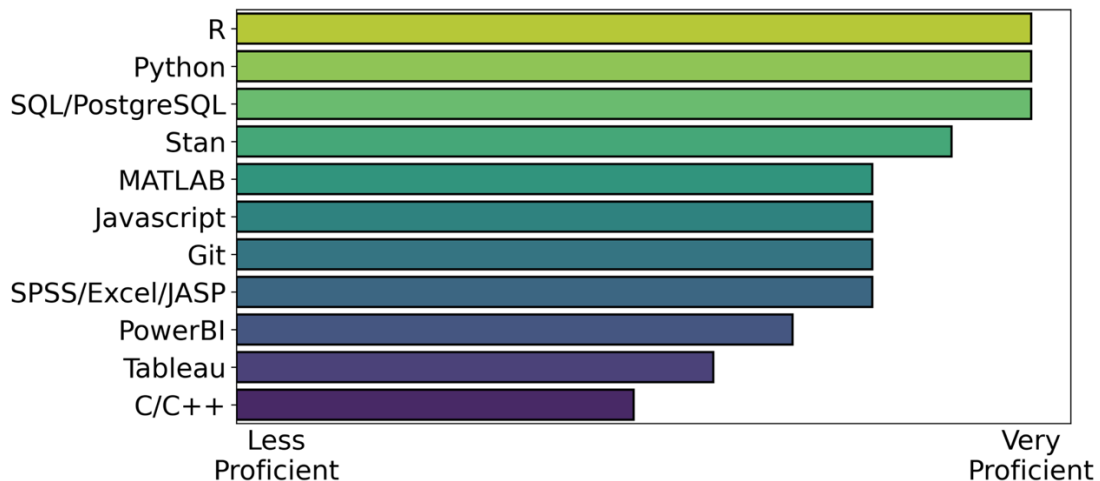
## Leadership

### Led Workshops

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| <b>Introduction to Hierarchical Drift Diffusion Modeling</b><br>Rabound University   | Feb 2024       |
| <b>Introduction to Reinforcement Learning</b><br>Rabound University  | Feb 2024       |
| <b>Bayesian Statistics for A/B Tests</b><br>IntactLab  | Jan 2024       |
| <b>Introduction to Bayesian Statistics</b><br>IntactLab  | June 2023      |
| <b>Introduction to Data Science [Series]</b><br>McGill University  | Nov-Dec 2022   |
| <b>Introduction to Bayesian Statistics</b><br>Concordia University   <a href="https://shorturl.at/dfsR6">shorturl.at/dfsR6</a>   | March 2022     |
| <b>Maximum Likelihood Estimation in R</b><br>Concordia and McGill Universities   <a href="https://github.com/seandamiandevine/MLEWorkshop">https://github.com/seandamiandevine/MLEWorkshop</a>                       | October 2022   |
| <b>Multilevel Modeling: Basic and Advanced Topics</b><br>Concordia and McGill Universities   <a href="https://github.com/seandamiandevine/MLMTutorial_2021">https://github.com/seandamiandevine/MLMTutorial_2021</a> | June-July 2021 |
| <b>Programming Experiments Online</b><br>Concordia, McGill, and TU Dresden Universities  | April 2022     |
| <b>Python for Psychologists</b><br>Concordia University  | April 2020     |

## Professional Skills

### Programming Languages



## Articles and Conferences

I have authored numerous research articles in internationally-recognized peer-reviewed journals and presented at many international conferences. Here is a short list of recently published articles, which I think highlight some of my competencies in data science and science communication. To see the full list, see [https://seandevine.org/homepage\\_files/cv\\_long.pdf](https://seandevine.org/homepage_files/cv_long.pdf).

- Devine, S., Germain, N., Ehrlich, S., & Eppinger, B. (2022). Changes in the Prevalence of Thin Bodies Bias Young Women's Judgments About Body Size. *Psychological Science*, 33(8), 1212-1225. <https://doi.org/10.1177/09567976221082941>
- Otto A.R., Devine, S., Bornstein, A.M., & Louie, K. (2022). Context-dependent choice and evaluation in real-world consumer behavior. *Scientific Reports*, 12, 17744. <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-022-22416-5>
- Devine, S., Otto, A. R., Uanboro, J. O., & Flake, J. K. (under review). A Tutorial for Quantifying Within- and Between-Participant Variance in Multilevel Logistic Models. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*. <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/v68wb>