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APPOINTMENTS

Wake Forest University

Assistant Professor of Quantitative Psychology

July 2019 – Present

EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University, Peabody College

Ph.D in Psychological Sciences – Quantitative Methods

August 2020

Certificate in Experimental Education

Fitting Problems: Evaluating Model Fit in Behavior Genetic Models

Advisor: Joseph L. Rodgers

M.S. in Psychological Sciences

December 2016

Quinn Exchange Fellow, University of British Columbia

Summer – Winter 2015

Summer Scholar, ICPSR, University of Michigan

Summer 2014

Washington University in St. Louis

A.B in Economics & Psychology, *magna cum laude*

May 2013

INTERESTS

Methods Genetically-Informed Designs • Non-Twin and Pedigree Models • R Programming • Structural Equation Modeling

Substance Behavior Genetics • Diversity Science • Health Inequity • Individual Differences • Socioeconomic Disparities

SELECT AWARDS & HONORS

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (\$138,000)	2015 – 2020
Vanderbilt Graduate Honor Fellowship (\$50,000)	2013 – 2018
Peabody & Vanderbilt Travel Grants (\$10,000)	2013 – 2018
SMEP Student Travel Award (\$1,500)	2016
SMEP Workshop Travel Awards (\$2,000)	2014; 2016
SPSP Diversity Fund Graduate Travel Award	2015
SPSP Graduate Travel Award <i>Declined</i>	2015
Peabody Dean's Fellowships (\$10,000)	2013; 2015
UBC Quinn Exchange Fellowship (C\$3,000)	2015
Tennessee Psychological Association, 3 rd Place Undergraduate Poster Competition	2014
ICPSR Jerome M. Clubb Scholarship (\$4,000)	2014
Peabody Dean's Summer Scholarships (\$5,334)	2013; 2014
Robert Hogan Family Foundation Travel Grant (\$1,200)	2013
Hayek Fund for Future Scholars	2013
WUStL Latin Honors	2013
<i>Sigma Xi</i> Science Honors Society	2013

GRANT ACTIVITY

External

5. Co-I (2021 – 2027) The National Institute on Aging (NIA), [R01-AG073189](#): "Quantifying the contributions of mitochondrial DNA to Alzheimer's Disease and related conditions of aging"; Alexandra Burt, PI, Michigan State University, Department of Psychology. (total costs: ≈ \$2,428,395; subcontract PI ≈ \$ 200,000).

4. Consultant (2019 – 2022) The National Science Foundation (NSF), EDA-Eng Diversity Activities, 1916534: "Understanding Employment Trajectories of Racially Minoritized Engineering PhDs"; Ebony McGee, PI, Vanderbilt University, Department of Teaching and Learning. (total costs: \$593,957).

Select Internal

3. PI (2025) Information Systems (IS) and Technology Accessibility Team, Course Caption Grant: "Enhancing Accessibility of Personality Psychology". (total costs: $\approx \$ 3500$)
2. PI (2024) Z. Smith Reynolds Library, Open Access Publishing Fund. (total costs: $\approx \$ 2800$)
1. PI (2024) Information Systems (IS) and Technology Accessibility Team, Course Caption Grant: "Enhancing Accessibility of Data Science for Psychologists". (total costs: $\approx \$ 2600$)

ADMINISTRATION

Director. R Computing Lab	Jul 2019 – Present
Co-Director. Kelly/Connolly Longitudinal Marriage Study on Personality and Aging	Dec 2012 – Present
Lab Coordinator. Strube Social Behavior Lab, WUStL	Oct 2012 – Jul 2013

PUBLICATIONS

denotes mentored *undergraduate* or †graduate† student co-author

Manuscripts Conditionally Accepted

1. Tierney, W., Cyrus-Lai, W., Hoogeveen, S., Haaf, J. M., Landy, J. F., Hardy, J. H., Ebersole, C. R., van den Bergh, D., Clemente, E. G., Pfeiffer, T., Dreber, A., Johannesson, M., Clark, C. J., Mitchell, G., Tenney, E. R., Chin, J. M., Dang, H., **Emotion Expression Forecasting Collaboration**, & Uhlmann, E. L. (conditionally accepted pending analytic review). Who respects an angry woman? A crowdsourced systematic reexamination of the relationships between gender, emotion expression, and status conferral. *Psychological Science*.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

26. Hunter, M. D., **Garrison, S. M.**, Lyu, X.,† Good, R.,*† Carroll, S. L., & Burt, S. A. (Accepted) Tracing the Right Path: Determination of Large Pedigree Segmentation and Relatedness. *Behavior Genetics*
25. **Garrison, S. M.** & Moyakhe, L. B. (In Press) A Computational Challenge for Whole Trait Theory: From Traits to Neurodiverse Agents. [Peer commentary on the paper "Getting from states to traits: Whole Trait Theory's explanatory and developmental engine" by Fleeson & Jayawickreme]. *European Journal of Personality*
24. Aczel, B., Szaszi, B., Clelland, H. T., Kovacs, M., Schulz-Kümpel, H., Holzmeister, F., ... **Garrison, S. M.**..., Lyu, X.,†, ... Nosek, B. (In Press) Investigating the analytical robustness of the social and behavioural sciences. *Nature*. osf.io/preprints/metaarxiv/sc95u.v1
23. **Garrison, S. M.** (2026). ggpedigree: Visualizing Pedigrees with 'ggplot2' and 'plotly' *Journal of Open Source Software*. 11(118), 9434 doi:[10.21105/joss.09434](https://doi.org/10.21105/joss.09434)
22. O'Connor, S. M., Burt, S. A., **Garrison, S. M.** & Klump, K. L. (2026) The contribution of genetic and environmental influences underlying disordered eating to exposure to weight-conscious peers. *Psychological Medicine* doi:[10.1017/s0033291725102948](https://doi.org/10.1017/s0033291725102948)
21. O'Connor, S. M. & **Garrison, S. M.** (2025) Who is Willing to Participate in Genetic Research? Exploring Barriers and Predictors. *Public Science Special Issue. Behavior Genetics* doi:[10.1007/s10519-025-10243-z](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10519-025-10243-z) Companion Shiny App: smasongarrison-publicscience.share.connect.posit.cloud
20. Burt, S. A., **Garrison, S. M.**, Lyu, X.,† Rodgers, J. L., Carroll, S. L., Smith, Ken R., & Hunter, M. D. (2025) Contributions of inherited mtDNA to longevity: evidence from extended pedigrees with 176 million kinship pairs. *eBioMedicine*, doi:[10.1016/j.ebiom.2025.105911](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ebiom.2025.105911)
19. Lyu, X.,†, Hunter, M. D., Burt, S. A., Good, R.,*† Carroll, S. L., & **Garrison, S. M.** (2025) Detecting mtDNA Effects with an Extended Pedigree Model: An Analysis of Statistical Power and Estimation Bias. *Behavior Genetics*, doi:[10.1007/s10519-025-10225-1](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10519-025-10225-1)

18. Lippert, S., Dreber, A., Johannesson, M., Tierney, W., Cyrus-Lai, W., Uhlmann, E. L., **Emotion Expression Collaboration**, & Pfeiffer, T. (2024). Can large language models help predict results from a complex behavioural science study? *Royal Society Open Science*, 11, 240682. doi:[10.1098/rsos.240682](https://doi.org/10.1098/rsos.240682)
17. Sims, E.† Trattner, J.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (2024). Exploring the relationship between depression and delinquency: A sibling comparison design using the NLSY. *Frontiers in Psychology-Personality and Social Psychology*. doi:[10.3389/fpsyg.2024.1430978](https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2024.1430978)
16. **Garrison, S. M.**, Hunter, M., Lyu, X†, Trattner, J.* and Burt, S. A. (2024). BGmisc: An R Package for Extended Behavior Genetics Analysis. *Journal of Open Source Software* 9(94), 6203. doi:[10.21105/joss.06203](https://doi.org/10.21105/joss.06203)
15. **Garrison, S. M.**, Webster, E*, & Good, R.† (2024) Advancing Diversity in Behavior Genetics: Strategies for Incorporating Undergraduates into Student-Driven Research. *Behavior Genetics*. IDEA special issue. doi: [10.1007/s10519-023-10172-9](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10519-023-10172-9)
14. Schaefer, M., du Plessis, C., Nguyen, M. H. B., van Aert, R. C. M., Tiokhin, L., Lakens, D., Clemente, E. G., Pfeiffer, T., Dreber, A., Johannesson, M., Clark, C. J., **Gender Audits Forecasting Collaboration** & Uhlmann, E. L. (2023). On the trajectory of discrimination: A meta-analysis and forecasting survey capturing 44 years of field experiments on gender and hiring decisions. *Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes*, 179, doi:[10.1016/j.obhdp.2023.104280](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.obhdp.2023.104280)
13. Lyu, X.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (2023), Effects of Genetic Relatedness of Kin Pairs on Univariate ACE Model Performance. *Twin Research and Human Genetics*. doi:[10.1017/thg.2023.40](https://doi.org/10.1017/thg.2023.40)
12. Holtzman, N. S., Carden, S. W., Smallwood, S. W., Steirn, J. N., **Garrison, S. M.**, & Gesselman, A. N. (2023). Individual Difference Correlates of Being Sexually Unrestricted Yet Declining an HIV Test. *Collabra: Psychology*. doi:[10.1525/collabra.87458](https://doi.org/10.1525/collabra.87458)
11. Schweinsberg, M., Feldman, M., Staub, N., ..., **Garrison, S. M.**, ..., & Uhlmann, E.L. (2021). Radical dispersion in empirical results when independent scientists operationalize and test the same hypothesis with the same data. *Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes*. doi:[10.1016/j.obhdp.2021.02.003](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.obhdp.2021.02.003)
10. Hunter, M., **Garrison, S. M.**, Burt, A., & Rodgers, J. L. (2021). The Analytic Identification of Variance Component Models Common to Behavior Genetics. *Behavior Genetics*. doi:[10.1007/s10519-021-10055-x](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10519-021-10055-x)
9. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (2019) Decomposing the Causes of the Socioeconomic Status-Health Gradient with Biometrical Modeling. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 116(6), 1030–1047. doi: [10.1037/pspp0000226](https://doi.org/10.1037/pspp0000226)
8. Rodgers, J. L., **Garrison, S. M.**, O'Keefe, P., Bard, D., Hunter, M., & Beasley W. (2019). Responding to a 100-Year-Old Challenge from Fisher: A Biometrical Analysis of Adult Height in the NLSY Data Using Only Cousin Pairs. *Behavior Genetics*. 444–454. doi:[10.1007/s10519-019-09967-6](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10519-019-09967-6)
7. **The Psychological Science Accelerator Team** (2018). The Psychological Science Accelerator: Advancing Psychology Through a Distributed Collaborative Network. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*, psyarxiv.com/785qu/
6. **Garrison, S. M.** (2018). Popular Structural Equation Modeling Programs for Behavior Genetics. *Structural Equation Modeling: A Multidisciplinary Journal*, 25:6, 972-977 doi:[10.1080/10705511.2018.1493385](https://doi.org/10.1080/10705511.2018.1493385)
5. **Garrison, S. M.**, Doane, M. J., & Elliott, M. (2018). Gay and Lesbian Experiences of Discrimination, Health, and Well-Being Surrounding the Presidential Election. *Social Psychological & Personality Science*, 9(2), 131-142. osf.io/dwscm/
4. Schultz, L., Connolly, J. J., **Garrison, S. M.**, Leveille, M., Jackson, J. J. (2017). Vocational Interests Across 20 Years of Adulthood: Stability, Change, and the Role of Work Experiences. *Journal of Research in Personality*, 71, 46-56. doi:[10.1016/j.jrp.2017.08.010](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrp.2017.08.010)
3. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (2016). Casting doubt on the causal link between intelligence and age at first intercourse: A cross-generational sibling comparison design using the NLSY. *Intelligence*, 59, 139-156. doi:[10.1016/j.intell.2016.08.008](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.intell.2016.08.008)
2. Rodgers, J. L., Beasley, W. H., Bard, D. E., Meredith, K. M., Hunter, M., Johnson, A. B., Buster, M., Li, C., May, K. O., **Garrison, S. M.**, Miller, W. M., van den Oord, E., & Rowe, D. C. (2016). The NLSY

kinship links: Using the NLSY79 and NLSY-Children data to conduct genetically-informed and family-oriented research. *Behavior Genetics*. doi:10.1007/s10519-016-9785-3

1. Jackson, J. J., Connolly, J. J., **Garrison, S. M.**, Leveille, M. M., & Connolly, S. L. (2015). Your friends know how long you will live: A 75-year study of peer-rated personality traits. *Psychological Science*, 26(3), 335-340. doi:10.1177/0956797614561800

OPEN-SOURCE BOOKS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

denotes WFU *undergraduate* or †graduate† student co-author; (First Published–Latest Update+)

Open Source Books

1. **Garrison, S. M.** (2021–2025+). Data Science for Psychologists. *Free Multimedia Textbook Written in R about R*. Read it here: datascience4psych.github.io/DataScience4Psych/

Book Chapters

1. **Garrison, S. M.**, Tyson, H. K.*, & Lyu, X† (in press). Pragmatic AI Integration in R Teaching: From Frustration to Facilitation. In I. Katzarska-Miller, M. Jackson, & M. Fortner, (Eds.) (2026) *Integrating Artificial Intelligence into the Psychology Classroom* Retrieved from the Society for the Teaching of Psychology: teachpsych.org/ebooks/

SOFTWARE

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6. **Garrison, S. M.** (2025–2026+). ggpedigree: Visualizing Pedigrees with 'ggplot2' and 'plotly' R package doi:10.32614/CRAN.package.ggpedigree
5. **Garrison, S. M.**, Hunter, M., Lyu, X†, Trattner, J.* & Burt, S. A. (2020–2026+). BGmisc: An R Package for Extended Behavior Genetics Analysis doi:10.32614/CRAN.package.BGmisc
4. **Garrison, S. M.**, Trattner, J.* & Ream, C. (2017–2026+). discord: Functions for Discordant Kinship Modeling R package doi:10.32614/CRAN.package.discord
3. Beasley, W., Rodgers, J. L., Bard, D., Hunter, M., Meredith, K., & **Garrison, S. M.** (2013–2025+). NlsyLinks: Utilities and kinship information for research with the NLSY R package doi:10.32614/CRAN.package.NlsyLinks

Contributor

2. Lyu, X.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (2022+). ACEsimFit: ACE Kin Pair Data Simulations and Model Fitting R package doi:10.32614/CRAN.package.ACEsimFit
1. RegExTypoFix Development Team (2018–2026+). Regular Expression Typographical Error Fixer for AutoWikiBrowser. en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:AutoWikiBrowser/Typos

TEACHING

Instructor

Applied Data Science for Psychologists (279). WFU (taught 1x/year; 1 total times)	2026–Present
Methods in Psychological Research (210/310). WFU (taught 1–2x/year; 3 total times) psychmethods.github.io/coursenotes/	2022–Present
Data Science for Psychologists in R (703). WFU (taught 1x/year; 5 total times) datascience4psych.github.io/DataScience4Psych	2021–Present
Psychological Testing (362). WFU (taught occasionally; 2 total times) r-computing-lab.github.io/psychtesting	2020–Present
Personality (255). WFU (taught 1–2x/year; 7 total times) smasongarrison.github.io/personality	2019–Present
Introduction to Statistical Analysis (2110). Vanderbilt University	Fall 2018

Lying with Statistics. Vanderbilt Summer Academy	Summer 2017
Introduction to Applied Statistics. Vanderbilt Summer Academy	Summer 2016
Laboratory Instructor	
Introduction to Statistical Analysis. Prof. Joseph L. Rodgers, Vanderbilt	Spring 2014
Introduction to Statistical Analysis. Prof. James H. Steiger, Vanderbilt	Fall 2013
Teaching Assistant	
Introduction to Statistical Analysis. Prof. Joseph L. Rodgers, Vanderbilt	Spring 2014
Introduction to Statistical Analysis. Prof. James H. Steiger, Vanderbilt	Fall 2013
Introduction to Social Psychology. Prof. Michael J. Strube, WUStL	Fall 2012
Disability Support	
Introduction to Statistical Analysis. Prof. Joseph L. Rodgers, Vanderbilt	Spring 2018
Introduction to Statistical Analysis. Prof. Joseph L. Rodgers, Vanderbilt	Spring 2015
Introduction to Statistical Analysis. Prof. Joseph L. Rodgers, Vanderbilt	Spring 2014

SELECT PROJECTS UNDER REVIEW & IN PREPARATION

Manuscripts under review or revision

‡ Joint 1st author; ^ Joint 2nd author

6. Meese, W.,‡ Rubin-McGregor, J.‡, Anderson, K.,^ Bogart, K.,^ Boring, B.,^ **Garrison, S. M.**,^ McManus, J.,^ Moura, I., Van Doren, S.,^ Benson, T., Cuenco, Z., Pearlstein, J., Plackowski, E., Klest, B., Rule, P., VanDaalen, R., Wang, K., Wu, F., & Zisk, A. (submitted) Disability Representation in Social and Personality Psychology Research: A State of the Field Review. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*. osf.io/preprints/psyarxiv/wqamk
5. Bogart, K. R., Krauter, M. A., Cipollina, R., Wang, K., Sykes, M. M., **Garrison, S. M.**, & Harcourt, D. (Under Review) "It's harder to set boundaries when it's so obvious": Disclosing apparent disabilities. *Stigma and Health*.
4. **Garrison, S. M.** (submitted). Teaching Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Through a Neurodiversity Lens: Addressing Stereotypes, Representation, and Inclusion. In TBD (Eds.) *Teaching Tips: A Compendium of Conference Presentations on Teaching* Retrieved from the Society for the Teaching of Psychology: teach-psych.org/ebooks/
3. Navarre, K. M†, Uliaszek, A., Masland, S. & **Garrison, S. M.** (submitted) Stigma by Design? The Role of Psychology Curriculum in Perpetuating and Preventing Borderline Personality Disorder Stigma. *Theory & Psychology*
2. **Garrison, S. M.**, Trattner, J.* Lyu, X†, Prillaman, H. R*, McKinzie, L*, Thompson, S. H. E*, & Rodgers, J. L.. (2nd Revise and Resubmit). Sibling Models Can Test Causal Claims without Experiments: Applications for Psychology. medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2025.08.25.25334395v1 *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*
1. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Revise and Resubmit). Fitting Problems: Evaluating Model Fit in Behavior Genetic Models. *Behavior Genetics* [10.31234/osf.io/qys83](https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/qys83)

Invited manuscripts in progress

2. **Garrison, S. M.** & Fleeson, W. (Accepted Proposal). Artificial Intelligence and the Development of Personality Theory: Past, Present, and Future. Special Issue in *Expanding Horizons in Personality Science*
1. **Garrison, S. M.**, and Good, R* (working paper) Foundations for genetically-informed research: A primer on sibling comparisons and family-based modeling. *Pathways to Research in Psychology*. EBSCO.

Select manuscripts in progress

4. Isch, C, ... **Politics in Science Consortium**, ... Tetlock, P, Clark, C Dutta, U, Shaerer, M, & Uhlmann, E. Political Slant and Causal Overreach in the Behavioral Sciences. Target: *Science*
3. Trattner, J.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (full manuscript). Introduction to Discord: An R package to manage, model, and simulation kinship-based designs. Target: *JOSS*

2. Thompson, S. H. E.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (full manuscript). Reestablishing Income and Depression as Links to Age of First Intercourse Using a Sibling Comparison Model. Target: *Behavior Genetics*
1. Eftedal, N. H., **Garrison, S. M.**, Hunter, M. D., Eilertsen, E. M., Czajkowski, N. O., & Burt, S. A. (in progress) Mitochondrial DNA explains more than one percent of the variation in school outcomes in Norway.

Presentations

2. Fay, C.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Submitted). Evaluating modeling approaches for estimating genetic and environmental influences on drug initiation. Poster submitted to the Behavior Genetics Association
1. **Garrison, S. M.**, Hunter, M.D., Smith, K. R, & Burt, S. A. (Submitted). Temporal Changes in the Heritability of Longevity over the last 300 years: Preliminary Evidence from Extended Pedigrees with 176 Million Kinship pairs. Symposia talk submitted to the Behavior Genetics Association

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

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11. **Garrison, S. M.** (May 2025). Data Science for Psychologists. Invited Workshop given at Association for Psychological Science in Washington, DC.
10. **Garrison, S. M.** (Apr 2024). Diversity in Behavior Genetics. Talk given at the Department of Psychology, Davidson College in Davidson, NC
9. **Garrison, S. M.** (Apr 2024). GitHub (and Data Science Tools) for Psychologists. Talk given at the Quantitative Methods Speaker Series, Department of Psychology, Arizona State University on Zoom. ([slides](#))
8. **Garrison, S. M.** (Oct 2023). Mom Genes: A new extended pedigree model for quantifying the contributions of mitochondrial DNA. Talk given at the Quantitative Speaker Series, Department of Psychology, University of Southern California in Los Angeles
7. **Garrison, S. M.** (May 2023). Data Science for Psychologists. Invited Workshop given at Association for Psychological Science in Washington, DC.
6. **Garrison, S. M.** (Nov 2021). More Challenges in Evaluating Model Fit for Behavior Genetic Models: Model Identification, Saturation, and Bears ... Oh My! Talk given at the Quantitative Methods Speaker Series, Department of Psychology, Arizona State University on Zoom.
5. **Garrison, S. M.** (Jan 2021). Challenges in Evaluating Model Fit for Behavior Genetic Models: Model Identification, Saturation, and Bears ... Oh My! Talk given at the Quantitative Methods Brownbag, Department of Psychology, The University of California, Davis on Zoom.
4. **Garrison, S. M.** (Jan 2020). Using families to test causal claims without experiments. Talk given at the Department of Psychology, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro in Greensboro, NC.
3. **Garrison, S. M.** (Oct 2018). Using families to test causal claims without experiments. Talk given at Department of Psychology, WFU in Winston-Salem, NC.
2. **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2016). Who you marry matters: Partner traits influence your own mortality. Talk given at Health Psychology Area Workshop, Department of Psychology, University of British Columbia in Vancouver, BC. osf.io/jbf96/
1. **Garrison, S. M.** (Nov 2015). Who you marry matters: Partner characteristics influence your own longevity and other important outcomes. Talk given at Junior Fellows Speaker Series, St. John's College, University of British Columbia in Vancouver, BC. osf.io/zqv5t/

Conference Talks

10. **Garrison, S. M.** (July 2025) Teaching Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Through a Neurodiversity Lens: Addressing Stereotypes, Representation, and Inclusion. Talk given at the Neuroscience Teaching Conference in Winston-Salem. ([slides](#))

9. **Garrison, S. M.**, Mylakumar, M. N., Lyu, X.†, Gatz, M., Hunter, M. & Burt, S. A. (Jun 2025). Tracing Mitochondrial Inheritance of Alzheimer's Disease: A Family-Based Case-Control Study of 4.8 Million Cousins. Talk given at the Behavior Genetics Association in Atlanta. ([slides](#))
8. **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2024). Charting New Paths in Behavior Genetics: Developing a Comprehensive R Visualization Atlas. Talk given at the Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in London. ([slides](#))
7. **Garrison, S. M.**, Webster, E.* & Good, R.*† (Sept 2023). Advancing Diversity in Behavior Genetics: Strategies for Incorporating Undergraduates into Student-Driven Research. Talk given at the Equinox Conference.
6. **Garrison, S. M.**, Lyu, X.†, Hunter, M., Rodgers, J. L., Smith, K., Coon, H. & Burt, S. A. (Jun 2023). Analyzing Extended Cousin Similarity to Unravel the Mystery of mtDNA and Longevity. Symposia talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Murcia, Spain.
5. **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022). Diversifying the Behavior Genetic Pipeline: Pathways and Strategies for Incorporating Undergraduate Students. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, CA.
4. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2020) Fitting Problems: Evaluating Model Fit in Behavior Genetic Models. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
3. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2019). Uncovering the Origins of Age at First Intercourse: Applications of an Extended-Family Behavior Genetic Model. Talk given at 2019 Biennial Association for Research in Personality Conference in Grand Rapids, MI.
2. **Garrison, S. M.**, O'Keefe, P., Hunter, M., Beasley, W., Bard, D. & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2018). AC'RE model: Estimating Rearing Effects without Twins Raised Apart. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Boston, MA.
1. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Sep 2016). Advances in discordant sibling designs from the NLSY, illustrated with SES and health. Talk given at Developmental Methods Annual Conference in Whitefish, MT.

Invited Panelist

3. **Garrison, S. M.** (Jul 2022). Invited Panelist on "Disability in a STEM Career". Disability Justice in STEM Webinar Series, iGEM (International Genetically Engineered Machine), Department of Biology, University of Rochester.
2. **Garrison, S. M.** (Oct 2021). Invited Panelist on "Being a Disabled Woman in Academia". Disabled Empowerment in Higher Education Month, Disabled in Higher Education.
1. **Garrison, S. M.** (Aug 2021). Invited Panelist on "Team Science and Early-Career Methodologists". NSF Quantitative Research Methods for STEM Education Scholars Program, University of Maryland.

Conference Presentations

22. Bogart, K., Krauter, M., Cipollina, R., Wang, K., Sykes, M., **Garrison, S. M.**, & Harcourt, D. (Nov 2025) "It's harder to set boundaries when it's so obvious": Disclosing visible disabilities. Talk presented at DARN Research Subgroup, Zoom
21. Rubin-McGregor, J., Anderson, K., Bogart, K., Boring, B., **Garrison, S. M.**, Karalioliou, G. T., Nunn, L., McManus, J., Meese, W., Pearlstein, J. G., Rule, P. D., VanDaalen, R. A., Van Doren, S., Wang, K., & Zisk, A. H. (Jun 2025). Disability in social/personality psychology research: A state-of-the-field review. Talk presented at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues. Also, presented at DARN Research Subgroup (Aug 2025), Zoom
20. O'Connor, S. M. & **Garrison, S. M.** (June 2025). Who is willing to participate in behavior genetics research? Exploring barriers and predictors. Talk presented at the Behavior Genetics Association Conference, Atlanta, GA.
19. Zhang, Q.†, **Garrison, S. M.**, & Fleeson, W. (Aug 2024). A search for the extremely prosocial: The development of the Humanitarian Exemplars Scale (HES). Talk given at the European Conference of Personality in Berlin, Germany.

18. Hunter, M., **Garrison, S. M.**, Lyu, X.†, Good, N. A.† & Burt, S. A. (Jun 2024). Tools for Biometric Modeling in Large Population Databases. Talk given at the Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in London.
17. Lyu, X.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Sept 2023). Effects of Genetic Relatedness of Kin Pairs on Univariate ACE Model Performance. Talk given at the Equinox Conference on Zoom.
16. Lyu, X.†, **Garrison, S. M.**, Hunter, M., Rodgers, J. L., Smith, K., Coon, H. , & Burt, S. A. (Jun 2023). A Statistical Power Analysis on mtDNA Effects Estimation. Symposia talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Murcia, Spain.
15. Hunter, M., Lyu, X.†, **Garrison, S. M.**, Rodgers, J. L., Smith, K., Coon, H. , & Burt, S. A. (Jun 2023). Modeling mtDNA Effects from Extended Pedigrees in the Utah Population Database. Symposia talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Murcia, Spain.
14. Blankson, A. N., Flake, J.K., **Garrison, S. M.**, Logan, J., Madison, M., Montoya, A. K., Pek, J., Rhemtulla, M., Stapleton, L, & Sweet, T. (Oct 2022). Quantitative Access and Diversity (QUAD) Squad. Talk presented at the Annual Society of Multivariate Experimental Psychology (SMEP), in Monterey, CA.
13. Lyu, X† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022). Leveraging the China Family Panel Study: An Estimation of Height Using Preliminary Kinship Links. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, CA. Also, presented at First-Year Graduate Student Poster Session, (May 2022), Department of Psychology, WFU.
12. Hunter, M., **Garrison, S. M.**, Beasley W., O'Keefe, P., Bard, D., & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2019). Five ways to analyze 50,000 pairs of related persons in the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Stockholm, Sweden.
11. Beasley W., Hunter, M., Bard, D., **Garrison, S. M.**, O'Keefe, P. & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2019). Original and Replication Research with the NLSY79 and NLSY97 Kinship Links. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Stockholm, Sweden.
10. Bard, D., Hunter, M., **Garrison, S. M.**, O'Keefe, P., Beasley W., & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2019). Patterns of Phenotype-Environment Correlation within Cognitive Development. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Stockholm, Sweden.
9. O'Keefe, P., **Garrison, S. M.**, Bard, D., Hunter, M., Beasley W., & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2019). The Mediating Impact of Cognitive Ability on the SES-Health Gradient. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Stockholm, Sweden.
8. Rodgers, J. L., **Garrison, S. M.**, O'Keefe, P.W., Bard, D., Hunter, M., & Beasley (Jun 2018). Responding to a 100-Year-Old Challenge from Fisher: A Biometrical Analysis of Adult Height in the NLSY Data Using Only Cousin Pairs. Talk given at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Boston, MA.
7. Jackson, J.J., **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly J.J., & Leveille, M. (Jan 2016). Longevity findings from the KCLS. Flash talk given at Annual Social Personality Health Preconference in San Diego, CA.
6. Rodgers, J. L. & **Garrison, S. M.** (Sep 2015). Do intelligent girls delay age at first intercourse?: Different results within-families versus between-families. Talk given at International Society for Intelligence Research Annual Conference in Albuquerque, NM.
5. Jackson, J. J., **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly, J. J., & Leveille, M. (Feb 2015). Using multiple perspectives to inform the association between personality and important life outcomes. Talk given at Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in Long Beach, CA.
4. Connolly, J. J., Leveille, M., **Garrison, S. M.**, & Jackson, J. J. (Oct 2014). Relief, regret, resilience: The long-term psychological effects of getting divorced. Paper presented at Annual Convention of the Connecticut Psychological Association in Haddam, CT.
3. Jackson, J. J., **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly, J. J., & Leveille, M. (Jul 2014). Personality trait change in adulthood predicts health status in older adulthood. Talk given at Annual Meeting of the European Conference on Personality in Lausanne, Switzerland.
2. Rodgers, J. L., **Garrison, S. M.**, & Hadd, A. R. (Jun 2014). Intelligence and Fertility in the NLSY79 Respondents: Children of Siblings and Biometrical Models. Talk given at 2014 Behavior Genetics Association in Charlottesville, VA.

1. Jackson, J. J., **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly, J. J., & Leveille, M. (Feb 2014). What your friends know that you don't: Friend-rated personality predicts longevity 70 years later. Talk given at Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in Austin, TX.

Conference Posters

46. Tyson, H. K.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2025). Examining the Interplay of ADHD and Sexual Activity: A Sibling Comparison Approach. Poster presented at the Behavior Genetics Association, Atlanta, GA
45. Navarre, K. M.,† & **Garrison, S. M.**. (Apr 2025). How the cycle of experienced, anticipated, and internalized stigma decreases help-seeking behavior in community adults with borderline personality disorder. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association 97th Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL
44. Tyson, H. K.*, Webster, E.*, Knaut, K*& **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2024). Examining ADHD Diagnosis and Cannabis Use Frequency: The Role of Family Environment in a Nationally-Representative Sample. Poster presented at the Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in London. Poster also presented at Undergraduate Research Day (Sep 2024), WFU.
43. Knaut, K*, Tyson, H. K.*,& **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2024). Untangling the Impact of the Home Environment on ADHD Symptoms: A Study on Cousins Raised Separately. Poster presented at the Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in London.
42. Zhang, Q.†, Furr, R. M, Fleeson, W., & **Garrison, S. M.** (Nov 2023). A search for the extreme altruists: The development for the Do-Gooper Scale (DGS). Poster presented at Society of Southeastern Social Psychology, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Poster also presented at the First-Year Graduate Student Poster Session (May 2023), WFU.
41. Webster, E.*, Tyson, H.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2023). Disentangling the Genetic Web of Intergenerational Substance Use, ADHD, and Impulsivity. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Murcia, Spain.
40. Tyson, H.*, Webster, E.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2023). Unpacking The Link Between ADHD and Cannabis Use: A Sibling Comparison Approach. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Murcia, Spain. Poster also presented at Undergraduate Research Day (Sep 2023), WFU.
39. Zhang, Q.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2023). Helping others helps ourselves? Examining the relationship between prosociality and health with sibling comparisons. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Murcia, Spain.
38. Webster, E.*, Jennings, J. M. & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2023). A Sibling Comparison of Drug Use, Education, and Cognitive Impairment. Poster presented at the SPSP Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA.
37. Good, R.* Hwang, Y. R.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2023). A Comparison of Alcohol Use Patterns in Military Siblings. Poster presented at the SPSP Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA.
36. Thompson, S.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022) Exploring Age of First Intercourse and its Relationship with Depression and Socioeconomic Status: A Sibling Comparison Model. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting.
35. Milhollen, M.* Lyu, X† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022). The China Family Panel Study: An Opportunity to Combat WEIRDNESS in Behavior Genetics. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting.
34. Good, R.* Hwang, Y. R.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022). Patterns of Alcohol Use in a Military Subsample: A Sibling Comparison Design. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, CA.
33. McKinzie, L.* Lyu, X†, & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022) Leveraging the power of sibling data to untangle the relationship between ADHD, SES, and academic achievement. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting.
32. Webster, E.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022). Just Say No? – Untangling the Relationship between Education And Drug Use. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting. Also, presented at Undergraduate Research Day, WFU.

31. Robertson, H.* Trattner, J.* Rodgers, J. L. & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2022). Discordant-Sibling Designs on the Effects of Conscientiousness and Mental Health. Poster presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting.
30. McKinzie, L.* Lyu, X† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2022) Exploring the relationship between parenting styles and rule-breaking with sibling comparisons. Poster presented at 2022 SPSP Annual Convention.
29. Thompson, S.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2022) Establishing links between multiple socio-economic factors and age of first sexual activity: A sibling comparison study using the NLSY. Poster presented at 2022 SPSP Annual Convention.
28. Robertson, H.* Rodgers, J. L., & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2021). Discordant-Sibling Designs and Applications for Differential Psychology. Pre-Recorded Mini-Presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
27. Milhollen, M.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2021). Exploring the Archives: A review of Pre-Existing Longitudinal Family Studies with Life Outcomes. Pre-Recorded Mini-Presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
26. Sims, E.† Trattner, J.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2021). Does depression lead to criminal behavior? A sibling comparison design using the NLSY. Pre-Recorded Mini-Presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
25. Good, R.* Hwang, Y. R.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2021). Liquor Legacies: The impact of parental psychopathology and young adult depression on alcohol use. Pre-Recorded Mini-Presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
24. Hwang, Y. R.† Trattner, J.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2021). Breaking down the components of the SES-health gradient with sibling comparisons. Pre-Recorded Mini-Presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
23. Mao, T. S.* Hwang, Y. R.† Trattner, J.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2021). Perspectives of Gender Roles in the Family versus Personality Traits. Pre-Recorded Mini-Presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
22. Hwang, Y. R.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (May 2021). Exploring the Components of Socio-Economic Status and Their Relationship with Health. Poster presented at 2021 APS Annual Convention on Zoom.
21. Later, K.* Trattner, J.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2021). Intergenerational consequences of divorce. Poster presented at 2021 SPSP Annual Convention on Zoom.
20. Mao, T. S.* Hwang, Y. R.† Trattner, J.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2021). Gender Roles Attitudes and Personality: A Sibling Comparison Design. Poster presented at 2021 SPSP Annual Convention on Zoom.
19. Trattner, J.* Later, K.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2021). Vaccination and SES: Not such a simple relationship after all. Poster presented at 2021 SPSP Annual Convention on Zoom.
18. **Garrison, S. M.**, Sims, E.† Trattner, J.* & Later, K.* (Feb 2021). Causal Inference Loves Moms: Extending the Discordant Kinship Design to Parents. Poster presented at 2021 SPSP Annual Convention on Zoom.
17. Sims, E.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2021). Examining the relationship between depression and delinquency: A sibling comparison design using the NLSY. Poster presented at 2021 SPSP Annual Convention on Zoom.
16. Later, K.* Trattner, J.* Santos, C.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2020). Examining the Causal Link between Divorce and Mental Health of their Offspring Using the Cross-Generational Sibling Comparison Model. Pre-recorded mini presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
15. Trattner, J.* Later, K.* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2020). Vaccine willingness and socioeconomic status: A biometrically controlled design. Pre-recorded mini presentation presented at Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting on Zoom.
14. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Feb 2019). Uncovering the Origins of Age at First Intercourse: Applications of an Extended-Family Behavior Genetic Model. Poster presented at 2019 SPSP Annual Convention in Portland, OR. Also, presented at Personality Processes, Functions and Dynamics Preconference.

13. **Garrison, S. M.** (Mar 2018). Do Commonly-Used Factor Analysis Criteria Work?: Monte-Carlo Simulations of Personality-Like Data. Poster presented at 2018 SPSP Annual Convention in Atlanta, GA.
12. **Garrison, S. M.** (Jun 2017). Effectiveness of factor enumeration rules on personality data. Poster presented at 2017 Association for Research in Personality in Sacramento, CA.
11. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Jan 2017). Making Causal Claims without Experiments: Advances in Discordant Sibling Designs with the SES-health Gradient. Poster presented at 2017 SPSP Annual Convention in San Antonio, TX. Also, presented at Annual Lifespan Social-Personality Preconference.
10. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Oct 2016). Decomposing the Causes of the SES-Health Gradient with Biometrical Modeling. Poster presented at Annual Society of Multivariate Experimental Psychology (SMEP) Graduate Student Conference in Richmond, VA.
9. **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly, J.J., Leveille, M., & Jackson, J.J. (Jan 2016). When does personality influence the timing of divorce?: A dyadic Aalen regression of peer-rated personality over 45 years. Poster presented at Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in San Diego, CA. Also, presented at Annual Lifespan Social-Personality Preconference.
8. Zhu, J.Y., **Garrison, S. M.**, Rodgers, J. L. & Zald, D. H. (Jan 2016). Shaping Perseverance: Evidence of shared environmental effects on Grit and a task-based measure of persistence. Poster presented at Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in San Diego, CA.
7. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Jun 2015). Additive effects of maternal conscientiousness and general ability on infant health: Cause or Confound? Poster presented at 2015 Association for Research in Personality Conference in St. Louis, MO.
6. **Garrison, S. M.**, Hadd, A. R., & Rodgers, J. L. (Feb 2015). Impact of adolescent conscientiousness and intelligence on health at middle age: A sibling comparison approach. Poster presented at Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in Long Beach, CA. Also, presented at Annual Lifespan Social-Personality Preconference.
5. **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly, J. J., Leveille, M., & Jackson, J. J. (Feb 2015). Agreeableness-Stress interactions explored: Within couple differences partially moderate the relationship between stress and divorce. Poster presented at Annual Lifespan Social-Personality Preconference in Long Beach, CA.
4. Romick, K.* **Garrison, S. M.**, & Rodgers, J. L. (Nov 2014). Early book ownership: Catalyst for future reading enjoyment and achievement. Poster presented at 2014 Tennessee Psychological Association Annual Convention in Nashville, TN. *Poster awarded 3rd place in Undergraduate Poster Competition*
3. **Garrison, S. M.**, Hadd, A. R., & Rodgers, J. L. (Oct 2014). The downstream health consequences of individual differences: Evidence from a kinship modeling perspective. Poster presented at 2014 Tennessee Psychological Association Annual Convention in Nashville, TN.
2. **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly, J. J., Leveille, M., & Jackson, J. J. (Jul 2014). Your friends know when you will divorce: A dyadic Cox regression of peer-rated personality. Poster presented at Annual Meeting of the European Conference on Personality in Lausanne, Switzerland.
1. **Garrison, S. M.**, Connolly, J. J., Leveille, M., & Jackson, J. J. (Feb 2014). Peer-rated personality traits influence relationship duration and dissolution. Poster presented at Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in Austin, TX. Also, presented at Annual Lifespan Social-Personality Preconference.

Departmental Talks & Presentations

13. King, M* & **Garrison, S. M.** (Oct 2022). Disruptive Forces Related to Parental Death and Childhood Depression: A Discordant Kinship Approach. Poster presented at Undergraduate Research Day, WFU.
12. **Garrison, S. M.** (Sep 2021, Feb 2023). Double, Double Toil and Trouble...shooting Complex Problems. Talk given at Seminar in Analysis and Measurement, Department of Psychology, WFU.
11. Hwang, Y. R.† & **Garrison, S. M.** (May 2021). Breaking down the components of the SES-health gradient with sibling comparisons. Poster presented at the First-Year Graduate Student Poster Session, Department of Psychology, WFU.

10. **Garrison, S. M.** (Apr 2021). Modeling Monarchs, Mitochondria, Meiosis, Maternal Cousins, Matrices, & Mormons with Mason. Talk given at the Well-being Seminar, Department of Psychology, WFU.
9. **Garrison, S. M.** (Feb 2020). I don't go looking for Data ... Data usually finds me. Talk given at Seminar in Analysis and Measurement, Department of Psychology, WFU.
8. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Nov 2018). Using families to test causal claims without experiments. Talk given at Quantitative Methods Colloquium, Vanderbilt University.
7. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Mar 2018). Using siblings to test causal claims without experiments. Talk given at Quantitative Methods Colloquium, Vanderbilt University.
6. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Apr 2017). Twins, Cousins, and Sibling-Pairs (oh my): Biometrical Applications of 42,773 Kinship Pairs. Talk given at Quantitative Methods Colloquium, Vanderbilt University.
5. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Apr 2016). Multivariate Biometrical Study of the Link between SES and Health Outcomes. Talk given at Quantitative Methods Colloquium, Vanderbilt University.
4. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (Apr 2015). Smarter girls *really don't* delay sex: An extended discordant siblings model. Talk given at Quantitative Methods Colloquium, Vanderbilt University.
3. **Garrison, S. M.**, Hadd, A. R., & Rodgers, J. L. (Apr 2014). Influence of adolescent intelligence and conscientiousness on health at midlife. Talk given at Quantitative Methods Colloquium, Vanderbilt University.
2. Hadd, A. R., **Garrison, S. M.**, & Rodgers, J. L. (Apr 2014). The relationship between maternal IQ and home environment. Talk given at Quantitative Methods Colloquium, Vanderbilt University.
1. **Garrison, S. M.** & Strube, M. J. (Apr 2013). Domestic dissatisfaction: Gender differences in a multilevel model of marital satisfaction. Poster presented at Annual Psychology Honors Symposium, Washington University in St. Louis. Also, presented at Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium.

VERY SELECT ABSTRACTS

2. **Garrison, S. M.** & Rodgers, J. L. (2017). Decomposing the Causes of the Socioeconomic Status-Health Gradient with Biometrical Modeling. *Multivariate Behavioral Research*, 52(1), 118-119. osf.io/xbkja/
1. **Garrison, S. M.** (2013). Domestic dissatisfaction or dissatisfaction?: Gender differences in a multilevel model of marital satisfaction using prenuptial marital expectations after 20 years. *Washington University Senior Honors Thesis Abstracts*. 5, 166

SELECT EXPERIENCE

Academic

Affiliate. Huntsman Cancer Institute, University of Utah	Aug 2022 – Present
Member. Translational Science Center, Wake Forest University	Feb 2022 – Present
User and Statistical Support, NLSY79 Kinship Links. Rodgers Lab, Vanderbilt	Feb 2014 – Jul 2019
Graduate Researcher. Rodgers Lab, Vanderbilt	Jul 2013 – Jul 2019
Research Affiliate. Jackson Personality Measurement & Development Lab, WUStL	Jul 2013 – Jul 2019
Visiting Graduate Researcher. Biesanz Social Accuracy Laboratory, UBC	Jul 2015 – Dec 2015
Research Assistant. Jackson Personality Measurement & Development Lab, WUStL	Aug 2012 – Jul 2013
Research Assistant. Strube Social Behavior Lab, WUStL	Jan 2012 – Oct 2012

Field Work

Visiting Researcher. Bentley Historical Library, U. of Michigan	Jul 2014
Visiting Researcher. Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard	Jan 2013
Intern, Constituent Services. Senator Arlen Specter, Philadelphia, PA	Jun 2007 – Aug 2007

SERVICE**Global & National****Sustained Roles**

EMCR Member. IDEA Committee, Behavior Genetics Association (elected by international society membership)	Jun 2023 – Present
Member, IDEA Task Force, Behavior Genetics Association	Jun 2021 – Present
Founding Member, Quantitative Access and Diversity (QUAD) Squad.	Sept 2020 – Present
Volunteer. Folding@home : Distributed computing project for simulating protein dynamics	Mar 2020 – Present
Member, Methodology and Data Analysis Committee. Psychological Science Accelerator	Sep 2017 – Jun 2021
Student Conference Organizer. SMEP 2017 Meeting	Jun 2017 – Jun 2018

Ad Hoc

Co-organizer. Career Development Panel. BGA	Jun 2025
Early Career Mentor. Mentoring Program. BGA	Jun 2025 – Present
Co-Organizer. Quantitative Psychology Info Session. QUAD Squad.	Sept 2022; Nov 2023; Oct 2020; Oct 2021
Diversity Lunch Host. BGA Meeting	Jun 2023, Jun 2024
Mentor Lunch Host on "Diversity in Behavior Genetics." BGA Meeting	Jun 2023, Jun 2024
Judge for Thompson and Rowe awards. BGA Annual meeting	Jun 2022; Jun 2023
Mentor Lunch. ARP Biannual Meeting	Jun 2019
Peer-Advisor. SPSP Annual Meeting	Feb 2019
Email Support, On-Site. Div 5, Teaching Statistics Conference	Mar 2017
Volunteer, On-Site. SPSP Annual Meeting	Jan 2016
Volunteer, Conference Transportation. SMEP 2014	Oct 2014

University & Department**Sustained Roles**

Theme Coordinator, Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jul 2025 – Present
Member. IDEA Committee, Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jul 2025 – Present
Member, Search Committee for Stereotyping and Prejudice, Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jun 2025 – Present
Member, Accessibility Listening Group. Bicentennial Comprehensive Campus Space Plan. WFU	Feb 2025 – Present
Member, Policies and Procedures. Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jul 2024 – Present; Aug 2022 – Jul 2023
Member, Faculty Advising Board, Center for Learning, Access, and Student Success, WFU	Feb 2022 – Present
Major Advisor, Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jan 2022 – Present
Library Coordinator, Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Sep 2021 – Present
Organizer, Seminar in Analysis and Measurement (SAM), Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jul 2024 – Jul 2025; Jul 2021 – Jul 2023
Co-Organizer, Seminar in Analysis and Measurement (SAM), Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jul 2020 – Jul 2021
Member, Search Committee for Human Neuroscience, Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Jul 2024 – Mar 2025
Member, Social Media Committee. Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Sep 2019 – Jul 2022
President, Undergraduate Economics Association. Dept. of Economics, WUStL	May 2011 – Dec 2011
Treasurer, Undergraduate Economics Association. Dept. of Economics, WUStL	May 2010 – May 2011
Marketing Executive, Undergraduate Economics Association. Dept. of Economics, WUStL	Aug 2009 – May 2010

Ad Hoc

Panelist, Careers in Psychology Panel. Summer Immersion Program Psychology Institute, WFU	Jun 2024x2; Jun 2025x2; Jun 2026x2
Member, Archie Award Selection Committee, Wake Forest College, WFU	Apr 2023
Member, Job Search Instructions Working Group. Dept. of Psychology, WFU	May 2020
Co-Leader, Moving Forward: Listening Session on Climate and DEI, Dept. of Psychology, WFU	Nov 2019
Panelist, Path to Graduate School Panel. Dept. of Psychology, UBC	Sep 2015
Panelist, Doctoral Application Advice. Dept. of Psychology & Human Dev., Vanderbilt	Apr 2014; Mar 2015
Panelist, Graduate Application Advice. Psychological Sciences Honors Program, Vanderbilt	Sep 2014
Panelist, Graduate School Admissions. <i>Psi Chi</i> , Vanderbilt	Sep 2013

Editorial Boards

Consulting Editor, Editorial Board, European Journal of Personality (EJP)	Oct 2025 – Present
Editorial Board, Journal of Open Psychology Data (JOPD)	Jun 2025 – Present
Graduate Advisor (General Statistics), Undergraduate Journal of Psychology, UBC	Sep 2015 – May 2018
Graduate Advisor (Health Psychology), Undergraduate Journal of Psychology, UBC	Sep 2015 – May 2018

Ad Hoc Reviewer

Awards	APA Div 44 Trans Research Award · APSSC Student Research Award · BGA Thompson Award · BGA Rowe Award · BGA Rising Star Award · SPSP Graduate Student Poster Award · SPSP Graduate Student Travel Award
Books	Guilford Press
Conferences	AERA Annual Meeting SIG-Cognition and Assessment · AERA Annual Meeting SIG-Test Validity Research and Evaluation · APS Annual Meeting Quantitative Area · SPSP Annual Meeting Undergraduate Posters · SPSP Annual Meeting Single Presentation · SPSP Reviewing Inside the Grant Panel · SPSP Annual Meeting Symposia
Grants	APS SC Student Grant Competition · WFU ORSP Pilot Research Grant · National Science Foundation GRFP
Journals	Behavior Genetics · Canadian Journal of Behavioural Sciences · European Journal of Personality · Frontiers in Genetics · Group Processes & Intergroup Relations · Intelligence · Journal of Computing in Higher Education · Journal of Family Issues · Journal of Family Psychology · Journal of Open Psychology Data · Journal of Open Source Software · Journal of Personality Assessment · The R Journal · Journal of Research in Personality · Social Psychological and Personality Science · Structural Equation Modeling · Psicologia: Reflexão e Crítica · Psychological Methods · Psychometrika · Translational Issues in Psychological Science

ADVISING

Master's Thesis Advisor

4. Fay, Cailey (2025-present), TBD
3. Good, Rachel (2023-2024), Intergenerational Transmission of Suicide in the UPDB
2. Lyu, Xuanyu (2021-2023), Pedigree Structures Impact Statistical Power of MtDNA Effects Estimation
1. Hwang, Yoo Ri (2020-2022) A Comparison of Regression-Based and Multilevel Approaches in Dyadic Analysis with a Categorical Explanatory Predictor

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Advisor

4. Virk, Anahatt (2025-present), *Healthy Habits and Fertility*
3. Tyson, Holland (2024-2025), *ADHD and Sexual Debut*
2. King, Mary (2022-2023), *Disruptive Forces Related to Parental Death and Childhood Depression*
1. Good, Rachel (2021-2022), *Alcohol Use Patterns in a National Military Subsample*

Mentored URECA Fellows

1. Webster, Emma (Summer 2022), *Just Say No? Untangling the Relationship between Education and Drug Use*

OUTREACH

Administration

Administrator (sysop). User: Smasongarrison , Wikipedia (en.wikipedia.org)	Jul 2025 – Present
Moderator. AcademicPsychology , Reddit.com	Mar 2019 – Present
Limited Moderator. Science , Reddit.com	May 2015 – Present
Moderator. GradAdmissions , Reddit.com	Jan 2015 – Present
Limited Moderator. AskScience , Reddit.com	Sep 2014 – Present

Select Ongoing Community Engagement

Member, Disability Advocacy and Research Network (DARN)	Jun 2022 – Present
Member, Disabled Academic Collective	Jan 2022 – Present
Member, Heterodox Academy	Aug 2020 – Present
Data Doctor, WikiTree	Apr 2018 – Present

Member, Union of Concerned Scientists	Jan 2017 – Present
Science Verified User. Science, Reddit.com	May 2015 – Present
Science Panelist, Quantitative Psychology. AskScience, Reddit.com	Dec 2013 – Present
Science Panelist, Individual Differences. AskSocialScience, Reddit.com	Dec 2013 – Present
Member, Statistics Without Borders	Dec 2016 – Oct 2020
Member, Women in Science & Engineering. School of Medicine, Vanderbilt	Dec 2013 – Jun 2019
Member, Peabody Queeries (Q.Ed). Peabody College, Vanderbilt	Aug 2013 – Jun 2019

Panelist & Participation

Panelist, Quantitative Psychology Information Session. QUAD Squad.	Nov 2023; Sept 2022; Oct 2020; Oct 2021
Panelist, Science AMA: Graduate School. AskScience, Reddit.com	Oct 2015
Volunteer, Genome BC. Community Science Celebration, Science World	Sep 2015
Panelist, Expert AMA: Psychology & Social Work. AskSocialScience, Reddit.com	Apr 2014

PARTICULAR SKILLS

Select Certifications	Microsoft Office Access Specialist · Microsoft Office Excel Specialist
Select Coding	AHK · HTML · L ^A T _E X · Lua · Python · R · SQL
Languages	English · Latin
Very Select Software	Adobe Creative Cloud (e.g. Premiere) · BUGS/JAGS · Git · LISREL · Mplus · OBS · Qualtrics · R · SAS · SPSS/PSPP · Tableau