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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2008-Present University of Iowa, Ph.D., Psychology
 Advisor: Paul Windschitl
- 2006-2007 University at Albany-SUNY, M.A., Criminal Justice
 Advisor: David Duffee
- 2000-2005 Iowa State University, B.S., Psychology, B.A. Philosophy
 Minors: Biology, Criminal Justice, Statistics

Research Interests

Selective Exposure; Social Comparison; Moral Psychology; Decision Neuroscience

Publications

- Englebrecht, C., Peterson, D., Scherer, A., & Naccarato, T. (2008). It's not my fault: Acceptance of responsibility as a component of engagement. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 33(4), 466-484.
- DeLisi, M., Hochstetler, A., Berg, M., Scherer, A., & Stover-Wright, E. (2008). The Starkweather Syndrome: Exploring criminal history antecedents of spree murderers. *Criminal Justice Studies*, 21, 37-47.
- Delisi, M. & Scherer, A.M. (2006). Multiple homicide offenders: Offense characteristics, social correlates, and their criminal careers. *Criminal Justice & Behavior* 33(3), 367-391.

Manuscripts Under Review or Revising for Resubmission:

- Scherer, A.M., Windschitl, P.D., & Smith, A.R. *Hope to be right: Biased information seeking following arbitrary and informed predictions.*
- Windschitl, P.D., Scherer, A.M., Smith, A.R., & Rose, J.P. *Why so confident? The influence of new desirability on selective exposure and likelihood judgments.*
- Windschitl, P.D., Bruchmann, K., Scherer, A.M., & McEvoy, S.D. *Egocentrism in judging the effectiveness of treatments.*

Manuscripts in Preparation:

Scherer, A.M., O'Rourke, J.L., Windschitl, P.D., & Smith, A.R. (In preparation). *Hoping for more: The influence of desirability on information seeking and predictions about relative quantity.*

Paper Presentations

Scherer, A.M., Windschitl, P.D., & Smith, A.R. (November, 2010). *Mechanisms of post-prediction selective exposure.* Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, St. Louis, MO.

Englebrecht, C., Scherer, A., Peterson, D., & Naccarato, T. (November, 2007). *I don't belong here: An analysis of youths' statements about placement as predictors of early treatment engagement.* Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.

Scherer, A., Englebrecht, C., Naccarato, T. & Peterson, D. (March, 2007). *It's not my fault: Acceptance of responsibility as a component of engagement.* Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Seattle, WA.

Scherer A.M. & DeLisi, M. (November, 2005). *Multiple homicide offenders: Offense characteristics, Social correlates, and their criminal careers.* Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Toronto, Canada.

Poster Presentations

Scherer, A.M., O'Rourke, J., Windschitl, P.D., & Smith, A.R. (November, 2011). *Hoping for more: The influence of desirability on selective exposure and predictions about relative quantities.* Annual Meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Seattle, WA.

Scherer, A.M., Windschitl, P.D., & Smith, A.R. (January, 2011). *Hope to be right: Biased information seeking following arbitrary and non-arbitrary predictions.* Annual Meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Scherer, A.M., Windschitl, P.D., Smith, A.R., & Rose, J.P. (January, 2010). *Choice, prediction, and selective information exposure.* Annual Meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology, Las Vegas, NV.

Scherer, A.M., Windschitl, P.D., Smith, A.R., & Rose, J.P. (November, 2009). *The complexities of selective information exposure.* Annual Meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Boston, MA.

Invited Talks/Lectures

University of Iowa, Social Psychology Brown Bag (December 2, 2011). *Seeking what we want: Behavioral and neuropsychological evidence for desirability as a mechanism of confirmatory information seeking.* Iowa City, IA.

University of Iowa, Social Psychology Brown Bag (November 17, 2010). *Mechanisms of selective exposure*. Iowa City, IA.

University of Iowa, Introduction to Social Psychology Guest Lecture (April 22, 2010). *Bystander Intervention*. Iowa City, IA.

University of Iowa, Personality and Social Psychology Brown Bag (February 24, 2010). *"I guess I'm right.": The role of choice in selective exposure*. Iowa City, IA.

Teaching Experience

2011 Spring Teaching Assistant for Social Cognition, University of Iowa.

2010 Spring Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Social Psychology. University of Iowa.

2009 Fall Teaching Assistant for Psychology Lab: Social Psychology. University of Iowa

2009 Spring Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Social Psychology. University of Iowa.

2008 Fall Instructor for American Criminal Courts. University at Albany-SUNY.

2008 Summer Instructor for American Criminal Courts. University at Albany-SUNY.

Service

Ad hoc reviewer:

Journal of Personality and Social Psychology

Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes

2010-2011 Psychology Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC) Social Psychology Area Representative (2010-2011)

2011 Prospective Grad Student Visitors Weekend coordinator, University of Iowa

2009 Assist Honor student supervision (Michael Leytem)

Honors, Awards, Fellowships

2010 University of Iowa Graduate Student Senate (GSS) Travel Grant

2008-2013 Presidential Graduate Fellowship

2006-2007 Michael Hindelang Graduate Fellowship

2005 Magna cum laude

2005 Honors program

2004 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

2003 Psi Chi International Honor Society in Psychology

2003 Golden Key National Honor Society

2002 Thomas W. Turnage Undergraduate Scholarship

Professional Affiliations:

Midwest Psychological Association
Society of Judgment and Decision Making
Society of Personality and Social Psychology

Professional References

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