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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2023- **MindCORE Postdoctoral Research Fellow**
University of Pennsylvania
- 2023- **Visiting Postdoctoral Research Associate**
Department of Psychology, Princeton University
- 2021-2023 Presidential Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Department of Psychology, Princeton University
- 2021-2023 Synergy Scholar, Center for the Science of Moral Understanding
Department of Psychology, UNC Chapel Hill

EDUCATION

- 2015-2021 **Ph.D.** Social Psychology | New York University (Advisor: Jay Van Bavel)
- 2015-2017 **M.A.** Social Psychology | New York University
- 2008-2012 **B.S.** Psychology (*honors*) & Business | Skidmore College, *summa cum laude*

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS

- 2023-2026 MindCORE Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania
- 2021-2023 Presidential Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, Princeton University
- 2021 Stuart W. Cook Award for Graduate Student Research in Social Psychology, NYU
- 2021 Douglas H. and Katharine Fryer Thesis Award for Best Doctoral Thesis, NYU
- 2020-2021 GSAS Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, NYU
- 2020 SPSP Graduate Student Poster Award runner-up
- 2019 Center for Social and Political Behavior Graduate Student Travel Award, NYU
- 2019 Richard J. Campbell Graduate Student Conference Travel Award, NYU
- 2019 Friends of Katzell Fellowship for Applied Research, NYU
- 2019 GSAS Dean's Student Travel Award, NYU
- 2017 Langfeld Conference Travel Award, Princeton University

2016-2019	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
2016	GSAS Dean's Student Travel Award, NYU
2015-2020	Dean's Office Fellowship, NYU
2015-2020	Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship, NYU
2014	SPSP Travel Award
2012	Graduated <i>summa cum laude</i> from Skidmore College (class rank 2 of 624)
2012	Heck Business Award (highest ranking student in business dept.), Skidmore College
2012	Senior Scholar-Athlete Award (highest ranking student-athlete), Skidmore College
2011	Rhodes Scholar Nominee, Skidmore College
2011	Marshall Scholar Nominee, Skidmore College

GRANT FUNDING

2023-2026	MindCORE Fellowship Research Funds, University of Pennsylvania (\$20,000)
2023	Environmental Defense Fund (\$5,000)
2021-2023	Presidential Fellowship Research Funds, Princeton University (\$6,000)
2021-2023	Synergy Scholar Grant, UNC Chapel Hill (\$50,000)
2018	Research Investment Fund, NYU (\$40,000)
2016-2021	Dean's Undergraduate Research Fund Grants, NYU (\$12,000)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (*Google Scholar Profile*: > 1,430 citations, *h-index* = 13, *i10-index* = 14)

[* Equal author contribution]

14. Van Bavel, J. J., Pärnamets, P., **Reinero, D. A.**, Packer, D. (2022). How neurons, norms, and institutions shape group cooperation. *Advances in Experimental Social Psychology*, 66, 59-107. [PDF] [LINK]
13. Bago, B., (...), **Reinero, D. A.**, et al. (2022). Situational factors shape moral judgments in the trolley dilemma in Eastern, Southern, and Western countries in a culturally diverse sample. *Nature Human Behavior*, 6, 880-895. [PDF] [LINK]
 - Cited in [Psychology Today](#)
12. Vlasceanu, M., **Reinero, D. A.**, & Van Bavel, J. J. (2022). Adversarial collaborations in behavioral science: Benefits and boundary conditions. Comment on Clark et al. *Journal of Applied Research in Memory and Cognition*, 11(1), 23-26. [PDF] [LINK]
11. Van Bavel, J. J., **Reinero, D. A.**, Spring, V., Harris, E., & Duke, A. (2021). Speaking my truth: Why personal experiences can bridge divides but mislead. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 118(8), e2100280118. [PDF] [LINK]
 - Cited in [Axios](#)
10. **Reinero, D. A.**, Dikker, S., & Van Bavel, J. J. (2021). Inter-brain synchrony in teams predicts collective performance. *Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience*, 16(1-2), 43-57. [PDF] [LINK]
 - Cited in [Forbes](#), [Business Insider](#), and [Psychology Today](#)

9. **Reinero, D. A.**, Wills, J. A., Brady, W. J., Mende-Siedlecki, P., Crawford, J. T., & Van Bavel, J. J. (2020). Is the political slant of psychology research related to scientific replicability? *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 15(6), 1310-1328. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
8. Pärnamets, P., Shuster, A., **Reinero, D. A.**, & Van Bavel, J. J. (2020). A value-based framework for understanding cooperation. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, 29(3), 227-234. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
7. Landy, J. F., (...), **Reinero, D. A.**, et al. (2020). Crowdsourcing hypothesis tests: Making transparent how design choices shape research results. *Psychological Bulletin*, 146(5), 451-479. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
6. Van Bavel, J.J., **Reinero, D. A.**, Harris, E., Robertson, C., & Pärnamets, P. (2020). Breaking groupthink: Why scientific identity and norms mitigate ideological epistemology. *Psychological Inquiry*, 31(1), 66-72. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
5. Pärnamets, P., **Reinero, D. A.**, Pereira, A., & Van Bavel, J. J. (2019). Identity leadership: Managing perceptions of conflict for collective action. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 42, e136. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
4. Kraft-Todd, G. T., **Reinero, D. A.**, Kelley, J. M., Heberlein, A. S., Baer, L., & Riess, H. (2017). Empathic nonverbal behavior increases ratings of both warmth and competence in a medical context. *PLOS ONE*, 12(5), e0177758. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
3. Lorie, A.*, **Reinero, D. A.***, Phillips, M., Zhang, L., & Riess, H. (2017). Culture and nonverbal expressions of empathy in clinical settings: A systematic review. *Patient Education and Counseling*, 100(3), 411-424. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
2. Van Bavel, J. J., Mende-Siedlecki, P., Brady, W. J., & **Reinero, D. A.** (2016). Reply to Inbar: Contextual sensitivity helps explain the reproducibility gap between social and cognitive psychology. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 113(34), E4935-E4936. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
1. Van Bavel, J. J., Mende-Siedlecki, P., Brady, W. J., & **Reinero, D. A.** (2016). Contextual sensitivity in scientific reproducibility. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 113(23), 6454-6459. [[PDF](#)] [[LINK](#)]
- Cited in [NYTimes](#), [Huffington Post](#)

PREPRINTS & WHITE PAPERS

Reinero, D. A.*, Harris, E.*, Rathje, S., Duke, A., Van Bavel, J. J. (under review). Partisans are more likely to entrench their beliefs in misinformation when political outgroup members provide fact checks. [[Preprint](#)]
- Cited in [NYTimes](#)

Sinclair, A. H., Cosme, D., Lydic, K., **Reinero, D. A.**, Carreras-Tartak, J., Mann, M., Falk, E. B. (stage 1 registered report; under review). Behavioral interventions motivate action to address climate change. *Nature Human Behavior*. [[Preprint](#)]

Van Bavel, J.J, Packer, D., Sternisko, A., **Reinero, D. A.** (2023). International House Impact Report 2023. *White paper for International House*, 1-50. [[PDF](#)]

Frishberg, E., Matos, E., **Reinero, D. A.**, Vargas, A. (2020). Designing for meaning: Using behavioral science to mobilize the Latino vote. *White paper with ideas*42, 1-26. [[PDF](#)]

Reinero, D. A. (2019). The path to professorship by the numbers and why mentorship matters. *Behavioral & Social Sciences at Nature Research*. [[PDF](#)][[LINK](#)]

CURRENT RESEARCH

Reinero, D. A.*, Pärnamets, P.*, Rossignac-Milon, M., Van Bavel, J. J. (in prep). Building moral consensus through conversation.

Reinero, D. A.*, Santos, L.* (in prep). Cross-partisan conversations build a shared reality about how to best address the climate crisis.

Reinero, D. A., McMahon, C., Thompson, W., Coman, A. (in prep). Group conversations about climate change: Believers are more susceptible to social influence than skeptics.

Reinero, D. A., Gray, K., Coman, A. (in prep). How do morals change? Bridging individual and collective morality.

Reinero, D. A., Dyckovsky, A., Coman, A. (in prep). Moral tipping points in social networks.

Wylie., J. *, **Reinero, D. A.***, Ghezae, I., Hadjiandreou, E., Al-Kire, M., Yucel, M, Hahn, L. (in prep). Moral tunnel vision: People are less able to notice moral violations that do not align with their political beliefs.

Wylie., J., **Reinero, D. A.**, Gerdin, E., Kulibert, D., Hadjiandreou, E., Weaving, M. (in prep). The cost of switching sides: defectors are seen as worse than converts.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Academic Talks

- 2024 University of Pennsylvania, Center for Neuroscience & Society
- 2024 University of California, San Diego, Impact Lab
- 2024 University of Pennsylvania, ASC Climate Change Interest Group
- 2023 University of Maryland, Psychology Department
- 2023 Lehigh University, Psychology Department
- 2023 University of Pennsylvania, MindCORE Seminar Series
- 2023 University of Pennsylvania, Communication Neuroscience Lab
- 2022 International Moral Psychology (IMP) Seminar Series
- 2022 University of Southern California, Social Learning & Choice Lab
- 2022 Mohammed VI Polytechnic University, School of Collective Intelligence
- 2022 Dartmouth College, Psychology Department
- 2021 CUNY Brooklyn College, Basic & Applied Social Psychology Colloquium Series
- 2021 Princeton University, Social Seminar Series
- 2021 University College London, Career Development Series
- 2021 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Center for the Science of Moral Understanding
- 2020 Princeton University, Socio-Cognitive Processes Lab
- 2020 Stanford University, Stanford Social Neuroscience Lab
- 2019 Princeton University, Emerging Scholars in Psychological Science Series
- 2017 Princeton University, Micro-to-Macro Collective Cognition Conference

Invited Professional Talks

- 2017 Insights into Consciousness Workshop. Water Mill, NY
- 2016 Insights into Consciousness Workshop. Water Mill, NY
- 2015 Arnold P. Gold Foundation: Mapping the Landscape Symposium. Chicago, IL
- 2015 Consortium for Research on Emotional Intelligence in Organizations. Boston, MA

Conference Talks & Symposia

- 2024 Can conversations change our moral and political minds? *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. San Diego, CA.
- 2024 The paradox of moral change. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology: Moral Psychology pre-conference*. San Diego, CA.
- 2023 Partisans are more likely to entrench their beliefs in misinformation when political outgroup members fact-check claims. *Society for Experimental Social Psychology*. Madison, WI.
- 2023 Malleable moral minds. *Open Minds Conference*. Florence, Italy.
- 2023 [Chair] Addressing the climate crisis with novel psychological insights. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. Atlanta, GA.
- 2022 Building moral consensus through conversation. *Society for Experimental Social Psychology*. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 Building a shared political reality through fact-checking political misinformation. *Center for the Science of Moral Understanding Annual Conference*. Durham, NC.
- 2022 Building moral consensus through conversation. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. San Francisco, CA.
- 2022 Building moral consensus through conversation. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology: Shared Reality and Authenticity pre-conference*. San Francisco, CA.
- 2021 Understanding the psychological and neural foundations of political polarization. *Society for Experimental Social Psychology*. Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2021 Implementing positive structural changes for graduate students in psychology. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. Virtual convention.
- 2019 A meeting of the minds: The role of brain-to-brain synchrony in collective performance. *Social and Affective Neuroscience Society*. Miami, FL
- 2018 Is liberal bias associated with the replicability of psychological science? *Society for Personality and Social Psychology: Political Psychology pre-conference*. Atlanta, GA

Conference Posters

- 2023 Partisans are more likely to entrench their beliefs in misinformation when political outgroup members fact-check claims. *Directions of Polarization, Social Norms, and Trust in Societies*. Massachusetts Institute for Technology, Cambridge, MA.
- 2023 Building moral consensus through conversation. *Polarization Research Lab Annual Meeting*. Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA.
- 2021 Moral change through conversation and the formation of collective moral judgments. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. Virtual convention.
- 2020 Is the political slant of psychology research related to scientific replicability? *NYU-CESS Experimental Political Science Conference*. New York University, New York, NY

- 2020 Is the political slant of psychology research related to scientific replicability? *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. New Orleans, LA
- 2019 A meeting of the minds: group identification and brain-to-brain synchrony in collective performance. *Collective Intelligence*. Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2019 A meeting of the minds: group identification and brain-to-brain synchrony in collective performance. *Social and Affective Neuroscience Society*. Miami, FL
- 2019 A meeting of the minds: group identification and brain-to-brain synchrony in collective performance. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology: Group Processes and Intergroup Relations pre-conference*. Portland, OR
- 2017 Culture and nonverbal expressions of empathy in clinical settings: A systematic review. *Compassion in Action Healthcare Conference*. Boston, MA
- 2016 Culture and nonverbal expressions of empathy in clinical settings: A systematic review. *American Academy on Communication in Healthcare*. Yale University, New Haven, CT
- 2016 Contextual sensitivity in scientific reproducibility. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology: Social Cognition pre-conference*. San Diego, CA.
- 2015 Culture and nonverbal expressions of empathy in clinical settings: A systematic review. *Harvard Psychiatry Research Day*. Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
- 2015 Culture and nonverbal expressions of empathy in clinical settings: A systematic review. *Harvard Medical Education Day*. Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
- 2015 Nonverbal signals of physician empathy increase ratings of both warmth and competence. *Association for Psychological Science*. New York, NY
- 2015 Nonverbal signals of physician empathy increase ratings of both warmth and competence. *Massachusetts General Hospital Scientific Advisory Committee*. Boston, MA
- 2015 Nonverbal signals of physician empathy increase ratings of both warmth and competence. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. Long Beach, CA
- 2014 Nonverbal signals of physician empathy increase ratings of both warmth and competence. *Stanford CCARE Science of Compassion*. San Francisco, CA
- 2014 Nonverbal signals of physician empathy increase ratings of both warmth and competence. *Massachusetts General Hospital Clinical Research Day*. Boston, MA
- 2014 Nonverbal signals of physician empathy increase ratings of both warmth and competence. *Harvard Medical Education Day*. Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
- 2013 The patient clinician relationship and medical outcomes: a systematic review of randomized controlled trials. *Harvard Medical Education Day*. Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

POPULAR PRESS ARTICLES & SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

First-author essays

- *Scientific American* (2020). “Researchers’ politics don’t undermine their scientific results” [[link](#)]
- *Nature* (2019). “The path to professorship by the numbers and why mentorship matters” [[link](#)]
- *Cooper Square Review* (2017). “Social (media) mania” [[link](#)]
- *Cooper Square Review* (2017). “The city, deconstructed” [[link](#)]

Co-authored essays

- *Scientific American* (2017). “Does empathy and warmth make a physician seem more competent?” [[link](#)]
- *Greater Good Magazine* (2017). “Are empathic doctors seen as more competent?” [[link](#)]
- *New York Times* (2016). “Why do so many studies fail to replicate?” [[link](#)]

- *Gold Foundation News* (2014). “Can empathy be as effective as aspirin?” [\[link\]](#)

Podcast interviews

- *The Free Mind Podcast* (2024). “Does academia really have a liberal bias?” [\[link\]](#)
- *Psyphilopod* (2020). “Does liberal bias impact the social sciences?” [\[link\]](#)

Videos of scientific experiments

- *J. of Visualized Experiments* (2017). “Evaluating the accuracy of snap judgments” [\[link\]](#)
- *J. of Visualized Experiments* (2017). “Nonconscious mimicry occurs when affiliation goals are present” [\[link\]](#)
- *J. of Visualized Experiments* (2017). “Effects of thinking abstractly or concretely on self-control” [\[link\]](#)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor, Overall Student Rating: 4.8/5.0

2019 (summer) Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, NYU

Teaching Assistant, Overall Student Rating: 4.4/5.0

2019 (summer) Social Psychology in the Wild: Advancing Psychological Theory and Public Policy, SISPP
2019 (spring) Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, NYU
2018 (fall) Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, NYU
2018 (spring) Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, NYU
2017 (fall) Social Neuroscience, NYU
2017 (spring) Social Neuroscience, NYU
2012 (spring) Introduction to Psychology, Skidmore College

Guest Lecturer

2024 (fall) Replication “Crisis”, Psychological Science and Society, NYU
2024 (spring) Replication “Crisis”, Psychological Science and Society, NYU
2022 (fall) Replication “Crisis”, Psychological Science and Society, NYU
2021 (fall) Advanced Training for Careers in Psychological Science, NYU
2021 (spring) Moral Psychology Seminar, Aarhus University
2019 (fall) Graduate Research Methods, NYU
2018 (fall) Advanced Preparation for Graduate School in Motivation Science, NYU
2018 (fall) Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, NYU
2017 (fall) Social Neuroscience, NYU
2017 (spring) Social Neuroscience, NYU

Tutor (T)/Grader (G)

2019 (fall) (T) Advanced Psychological Statistics, NYU
2016 (fall) (G) Introduction to Psychology, NYU
2016 (spring) (T) Social Psychology, NYU

Teacher Training

2019 (spring) Student in course: *Preparing for Future Faculty: Achieving Success through Communication*, NYU

MENTORING & ADVISING

- Supervised 30 research assistants
 - 2 admitted to PhD programs[§], 4 admitted to MA programs[†]

- Supervised 12 successful undergraduate research award proposals (DURFs; \$12,000 total)
- Supervised 2 Psychology Honors Thesis students (* indicates honors thesis)
 - 1 won Hillary Anne Citrin Memorial Award for Best Departmental Honors Thesis

NYU

Yanxi Lu (2024-)

Joyce Haddad (2024-)

Natalya Rezza (2024-)

Rebecca Romano (2024)

Rachel Wong (2024-)

Nalinda Wanikpun (2022-24)

Yishu Lu (2022)

Anees Goparaju (2022)

Alejandro Calvo (2022)

Kinda Shammas (2022)

†Christina Jin Capozzoli (2022)

Shamauri Rivera (2021-22)

Katie Brown (2021)

Lily Hafez (2021-22)

Eric Mao (2020-21)

Cara Reschke (2020)

Bayla Zohn (2020-21)

Jules Kortenhorst (2020)

Christy Wong (2020)

Oscar Nagy (2020)

†*Sarah Grevy Gotfredsen (2020-21, 2 DURFs)

†Cheryl Man (2019-21, 4 DURFs)

†Miaohan Wang (2019)

Brienna Carter (2018)

Matt Leipzig (2018)

§John Andrew Chwe (2017-19, 1 DURF)

†Zoe Kleiman (2017-18)

Simone Van Taylor (2017-18, 2 DURFs)

*Anna Balchunas (2016-18, 3 DURFs)

§Suraiya Allidina (2016)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ad hoc reviewer (<https://www.webofscience.com/wos/author/record/V-2144-2019>)

European Journal of Social Psychology, Group Processes & Intergroup Relations, Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, Journal of Experimental Psychology: General, Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, Nature Communications, Personality and Social Psychological Bulletin, Political Behavior, Political Psychology, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences Nexus, Psychological Science, Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience, Social Psychology

Professional Service

2025 Co-organizer, Moral Psychology pre-conference at SPSP, Denver, CO
 2024 Career Day Speaker, Urban Assembly School for Leadership and Empowerment, NYC
 2021 Postdoc Rep for Empowering Diversity and Promoting Scientific Equity Committee, Princeton
 2020–2021 Student Rep for Diversity and Inclusion Steering Committee, NYU
 2020 Panelist for Diversity Virtual Preview Day, NYU
 2019 Student Rep for Climate Committee, NYU
 2018 Panelist for Summer RA Brown Bag Series “Applying to Graduate School”, NYU
 2017–2018 Coordinator of Brownbag/Colloquium Speaker Series, NYU
 2017 Panelist for National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, NYU
 2017 Graduate Admissions Committee, NYU
 2017 SPSP Student Poster Award Reviewer
 2016 Moderator for “The Future of Social & Affective Neuroscience”, NY-SAN
 2016–2019 Student Rep for Society for Affective Science (SAS) - NYC Region
 2015–2019 Cohort Rep for Social Psychology PhD students, NYU

Professional Development

2023 Beyond the Ivory Tower Writing Workshop with NYTimes Editor, Northeastern University
 2020 NYU Stern Diverse Pathways in Academia, NYU

- 2019 BIG Ideas Doctoral Workshop, Harvard Business School / Harvard Kennedy School
- 2019 Summer Institute for Social and Personality Psychology, SPSP
- 2018 EEGLAB, Supercomputer Center at Univ. of California San Diego
- 2018 Dyadic Data Analysis Using Multilevel Modeling with R, Univ. of Connecticut
- 2016 Advanced Science Communication Course, NYU
- 2016 Mini-Course on Bayesian Statistics, NYU
- 2015 Science Communication Course, NYU

Professional Memberships

Society for Experimental Social Psychology (SESP), Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP), Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SPP)

REFERENCES

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