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Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor of Environmental Behavioral Sciences 2024-present
Department of Environmental Social Sciences, Stanford Doerr School of Sustainability
Department of Organizational Behavior, Stanford Graduate School of Business, by Courtesy
Faculty Fellow, Stanford Center for Affective Science
Faculty Fellow, Stanford Impact Labs
Faculty Affiliate, Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment
Faculty Affiliate, Stanford Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society (PACS)
Faculty Affiliate, Stanford Sustainable Societies Initiatives
Stanford University

Assistant Professor of Psychology 2022-2024
Department of Psychology
New York University

Provost's Postdoctoral Fellow 2022
Department of Psychology
New York University

Education

Ph.D. in Psychology & Neuroscience, Princeton University 2021
Dissertation: Cognitive Processes Shaping Individual and Collective Belief Systems

M.A. in Psychology, Princeton University 2018
Thesis: Mnemonic Influence: Memory Impacts Emotion, Reason, and Action

B.A. in Psychology & Economics, University of Rochester 2016
Magna Cum Laude, with Highest Distinction

Honors & Awards

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Robert B. Cialdini Prize 2026
Newsweek and RePatriot Top 100 Romanians Everywhere 2026
Association for Psychological Science Rising Star Award (APS Rising Star) 2025
International Society for the Science of Existential Psychology (ISSEP) Best Paper Award 2025
The Behavioral Science & Policy Association (BSPA) Publication Award 2024
APA Young Investigator Award, Society for Experimental Psychology and Cognitive Science 2023
APA Division 21 Raymond S. Nickerson Best Paper of the Year in *JEP:A* Award 2023
APS Student Research Award, Association for Psychological Science 2020
Cognitive Science Fellowship, Princeton University 2018

Herbert L. Zimmer Research Award, University of Rochester 2016
Student of the Year: LSRS, Romanian Student League 2015
Iota Book Award for Student Excellence, University of Rochester 2013
Renaissance and Global Scholarship, University of Rochester 2012 - 2016
Jane and Alan Handler Scholarship, University of Rochester 2012 - 2016

Research Interests

General Areas: Social Psychology, Cognitive Science, Behavioral Science, Political Psychology

Current Topics: Individual and Collective Beliefs, Decisions, and Behaviors

Techniques: Behavioral Lab and Online Experiments, International Collaborations

Applications: Climate Awareness, Climate Action, Climate Policy

Research Grants

US Department of Defense (DoD), AFSOR, MURI (co-PI) 2025-2030
- Belief Resonance and AI Narratives

Stanford Doerr Discovery Grant (PI) 2025-2026
- The Psychology of Climate Solutions: Effects of an Immersive Documentary

Stanford Impact Labs Design Fellowship (PI) 2025-2026
- Collective Climate Action Interventions

Stanford Sustainability Accelerator (co-PI) 2025-2026
- Developing Adaptation and Mitigation Strategies

New York University Research Catalyst Prize (PI) 2023
- Algorithmic Effects on Climate Perception and Action

Google Jigsaw Grant (co-PI) 2022
- Understanding Climate Awareness and Action Globally

Climate Change Initiative (co-PI) 2022
- Global Collaboration for Climate Action

Research Grant, Program in Cognitive Science, Princeton University (PI) 2017-2020
- Cognitive Mechanisms of Belief Change

Publications ([§]student trainee)

Book

Vlasceanu, M. & Van Der Linden, S. (Eds.). (Forthcoming). *The Psychological Foundations of Climate Solutions.* Cambridge University Press (book)

Peer Reviewed Articles

60. §Kay, C., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (in reivew) Differential Weighting Of Social And Empirical Statistical Evidence In Decision-Making. (preprint)

59. **Vlasceanu, M.** & Constantino, S. (in reivew) Mapping psychological processes governing the sociopolitical climate system. (preprint)

58. §Sabherwal, A., §Goldwert, D., **Vlasceanu, M.**, & Weber, E. (in review) Coordinated Psychological Intervention Ensembles Outperform Single-Mechanism Designs Across Societal Challenges. (preprint)

57. §Goldwert, D. & **Vlasceanu, M.**. (in review) Expert Predictions Shape Public Forecasting of Climate Change.

56. §Goldwert, D. & **Vlasceanu, M.**. (in review) From Climate Information to Knowledge Infrastructure: Statistical Climate Facts Sustain Concern and Social Transmission

55. Minson, J., (...), & **Vlasceanu, M.**, et al. (in reivew) Countering Authoritarian Censorship via Grassroots Communication Campaigns: Evidence from an Experimental Mega-Study in Wartime Russia. (preprint)

54. Seckin, O., Aiyappa, R., **Vlasceanu, M.**, Menczer, F., Flammini, A., & Ahn, Y. (in reivew). Emergence of Stereotypes and Affective Polarization from Belief Network Dynamics. (preprint)

53. §Sabherwal, A., §Goldwert, D., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (in reivew). Emotional Complexity Drives Collective Climate Action. (preprint)

52. Fazio, L., (...), ., & **Vlasceanu, M.**, et al., (in review). A megastudy of nine interventions designed to reduce the sharing of and belief in false and misleading headlines. (preprint)

51. Chalrsworth, T., Werden, L., van den Hoogen, J., & **Vlasceanu, M.**, & Crowther, T. (in review). Language Reveals Global Links Between Nature Attitudes and Sustainable Development. (preprint)

50. §Mason, K., §Okst, K., (...) & **Vlasceanu, M.** (revise and resubmit, *Nature Human Behaviour*). A Megastudy of Behavioral Interventions to Increase Voter Registration Ahead of the 2024 US Presidential Election. (preprint)

49. §Goldwert, D., §Sabherwal, A., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (revise and resubmit, *Nature Sustainability*). Increasing Governmental Outcome Efficacy Beliefs Drives Support for Congestion Pricing Policy.

48. §Kay, C. & **Vlasceanu, M.** (revise and resubmit, *PNAS Nexus*). A scale for detecting LLM-generated responses in online survey research. (preprint)

47. §Goldwert, D., Bao, E.,Van Bavel, J., Doell, K. & **Vlasceanu, M.** (revise and resubmit, *Global Environmental Change*). The Effects of Climate Action Interventions along Cultural Individualism-Collectivism. (preprint)

46. Stanley, S., Kirkland, K., Karl, J., Ghasemi, O., Ross, R., Klas, A., Contu, D., Constantino, S., Doell, K., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (revise and resubmit, *Environmental Research Letters*). Validating the Climate Policy Support Scale in 63 countries and examining responses across political divides. (preprint)

45. Doell, K., (...) & **Vlasceanu, M.**, et al. (2026). When Predicting Climate-Relevant Intervention Effectiveness, Academics Outperform the Public, but Not a Simple Heuristic. *Communications Psychology* (preprint)

44. §Goldwert, D., §Sabherwal, A., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2026). The Central Role of Governmental Response

Efficacy Beliefs in Mobilizing Collective Action. *Communications Earth and Environment* (paper)

- Featured in *Psychology Today*: "The Politics of Climate Possibility" (website)
- Featured in *Stanford Report*: "4 key facts about what motivates climate action" (website)

43. §Patel, Y., §Goldwert, D., Constantino, S. M., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2026) Features of Successful Behavioral Interventions: A Data Driven Analysis of Megastudy Effects. *Current Research in Behavioral Sciences* (paper)

42. §Goldwert, D., Constantino, S. M., §Patel, Y., (...), & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2026) A Megastudy of Behavioral Interventions to Catalyze Public, Political, and Financial Climate Advocacy. *PNAS Nexus* (paper)

- Featured in *Psychology Today*: "What Americans Get Wrong About Climate Action" (website)
- Featured in *Stanford Report*: "How to motivate collective action on climate" (website)

41. §Acierno, J., Tedaldi, E., Ginn, J., Goldwert, D., **Vlasceanu, M.**, Geiger, S., Sparkman, G., Constantino, S. M. (2026) Conformity to social norm interventions is not amplified in tighter nations. *Communications Psychology*

40. §Goldwert, D. & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2025) The Role of Information Source in Climate Beliefs, Behavioral Commitments, and Policy Preferences. *Journal of Environmental Psychology* (paper)

39. §Goldwert, D., §Patel, Y., Nielsen, K., Goldberg, M., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2025) Climate Action Literacy Interventions Increase Commitments to More Effective Mitigation Behaviors. *PNAS Nexus* (paper)

- Featured in *Stanford Report*: "Why common climate messaging often backfires – and how to fix it" (website)
- Featured in *Boston Globe*: "Which choices contribute most to climate change? Most people miss the mark, one study found" (website)

38. §Goldwert, D. & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2025) An Individual-Collective-Systemic Behavioral Climate Intervention Framework. *Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences* (paper)

37. Mede, N., Cologna, V., (...), ., **Vlasceanu, M.**., & et al., . (2025). Public communication about science in 68 countries: Global evidence on how people encounter information about science and engage with it. *Science Communication*. (paper)

36. Cologna, V., Meiler, S., (...), ., **Vlasceanu, M.**, & et. al., . (2025). Extreme weather event attribution predicts climate policy support across the world. *Nature Climate Change* (paper)

35. §Todorova, B., Steyrl, D., Hornsey, M., Pearson, S., Brick, C., Lange, F., **Vlasceanu, M.**, van Bavel, J., Lamm, C., Doell, K. (2025) Machine learning identifies key individual and nation-level factors predicting climate-relevant beliefs and behaviors. *npj Climate Action* (paper)

34. Cologna, V., Mede, N., Berger, S., (...), **Vlasceanu, M.**, et. al. (2025) Trust in scientists and their role in society across 68 countries. *Nature Human Behavior* (paper)

33. §Berkebile-Weinberg, M., §Tang, R., §Gao, R., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2024) Internet Image Search Outputs Propagate Climate Change Sentiment and Impact Policy Support. *Nature Climate Change* (paper)

- Featured in *Stanford Report*: "How image search algorithms shape views on climate change " (website)
- Featured in *Anthropocene*: "Search the web for climate change, and the image you get depends on the country you're in " (website)

32. §Goldwert, D., Doell, K., Van Bavel, J. J., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2024) Climate change terminology does

not influence willingness to take climate action. *Journal of Environmental Psychology* (paper)

31. van Stekelenburg, A., Bleize, D., van 't Riet, J., Schaap, G., **Vlasceanu, M.**, & Doell, K. (2024) Communicating consensus among climate scientists increases estimates of consensus and belief in human-caused climate change across the globe. *Journal of Environmental Psychology* (paper)

30. Mede, N. G., Cologna, V., Berger, S., (. . .), **Vlasceanu, M.** (. . .). (2024) Perceptions of Science, Science Communication, and Climate Change Attitudes in 68 Countries: The TISP Dataset. *Nature Scientific Data* (paper)

29. Doell, K. C.*, Todorova, B.*, **Vlasceanu, M.***, et al. (2024). The International Climate Psychology Collaboration: Climate change-related data collected from 63 countries. *Nature Scientific Data* (paper)

28. §Mason, K., **Vlasceanu, M.**, & Jost, J. (2024) Effects of System-Sanctioned Framing on Climate Awareness and Environmental Action in the U.S. and Beyond. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (paper)

- Featured in *Science Daily*: "Framing climate action as patriotic and status-quo friendly increases liberals' and conservatives' belief in climate change" (website)
- Featured in *Grist*: "Kamala Harris is making climate action patriotic. It just might work." (website)
- Featured in *Futurity*: "Patriotic messages can boost support for climate change action" (website)

27. §Berkebile-Weinberg, M.*, §Goldwert, D.*, Doell, K., van Bavel, J.J., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2024) The Differential Impact of Climate Interventions along the Political Divide in 60 Countries, *Nature Communications* (paper)

- Featured in *TIME*: "How to Overcome Polarization on Climate Action " (website)
- Featured in *Earth*: "Conservatives and liberals unite on climate action despite different beliefs" (website)
- Featured in *Science Magazine*: "Liberals and Conservatives Differ on Climate Change Beliefs—But Are Relatively United in Taking Action" (website)
- Featured in *Science Daily*: "Liberals and Conservatives Differ on Climate Change Beliefs—But Are Relatively United in Taking Action" (website)

26. **Vlasceanu, M.***, Doell, K.*, Van Bavel, J.J. et al. (2024) Addressing Climate Change with Behavioral Science: A Global Intervention Tournament in 63 Countries, *Science Advances* (paper)

- Featured in *The Washington Post*: "Writing to the future is one of the most powerful climate actions you can take" (website)
- Featured in *The Guardian*: "'Spiral of silence': climate action is very popular, so why don't people realise it?" (website)
- Featured in *NYU News*: "New Psychology Study Unearths Ways to Bolster Global Climate Awareness and Climate Action " (website)
- Featured in *Scientific American*: "Beyond the Doom and Gloom, Here's How to Stimulate Climate Action" (website)
- Featured in *Science Magazine*: "Psychology study unearths ways to bolster global climate awareness and climate action " (website)
- Featured in *Science Daily*: "Psychology study unearths ways to bolster global climate awareness and climate action "(website)
- Featured in *Anthropocene*: "The first megastudy of climate messages hints at what motivates different audiences" (website)
- Featured in *Futurity*: "Tool highlights best messages to kickstart climate action" (website)

- Featured in *The Conversation*: "How psychology can help people live more climate-friendly lives – lessons from around the world" (website)

25. Van Bavel, J.J., Rathje, S., **Vlasceanu, M.**, Pretus, C. (2024). Updating the Identity-based Model of Belief: From False Belief to the Spread of Misinformation. *Current Opinion in Psychology* (paper)

24. §Goldwert, D., & **Vlasceanu, M.** (2024). Changes in Political Beliefs. In K. Taku, & T. K. Shackelford (Eds.), *The Routledge International Handbook of Changes in Human Perceptions and Behaviors.* Routledge. (paper)

23. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Dyckovsky, A. M., Coman, A. (2023). A Network Approach to Investigate the Dynamics of Individual and Collective Beliefs: Advances and Applications of the BENDING Model. *Perspectives on Psychological Science* (paper)

22. §Koppel, L., Robertson, C., Doell, K., Javeed, A., Rasmussen, J., Rathje, S., **Vlasceanu, M.**, & Van Bavel, J. J. (2023). Individual-level solutions may support system-level change–if they are internalized as part of one's social identity. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* (paper)

21. Van Bavel, J., Pretus, C., Rathje, S., Parnamets, P., **Vlasceanu, M.**, Knowles, E. (2023). The costs of polarizing a pandemic: Antecedents, Consequences, and Lessons *Perspectives on Psychological Science* (paper)

20. Azevedo, F., (. . .), **Vlasceanu, M.**, et al. (2023). Social and moral psychology of COVID-19 across 69 countries. *Nature Scientific Data* (paper)

19. Uddenberg, S., Thompson, B. D., **Vlasceanu, M.**, Griffiths, T. L., & Todorov, A. (2023). Iterated learning reveals stereotypes of facial trustworthiness that propagate in the absence of evidence. *Cognition*, 237, 105452. (paper)

18. **Vlasceanu, M.**, McMahon, C., Van Bavel, J.J., Coman, A. (2023) Political and non-political belief change elicits behavioral change. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied* (paper)

17. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Amodio, D.M. (2022) The Propagation of Gender Inequality by Internet Search Algorithms. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 119(29). (paper)

- Featured in *NPR Academic Minute*: "Bias in AI: Causes and consequences of gender biases in Google search results" (website)
- Featured in *Forbes*: "How Biased Google Search Results Affect Hiring Decisions" (website)
- Featured in *Science Magazine* : "Gender bias in search algorithms has effect on users, new study finds" (website)
- Featured in *Science News*: "Gender bias in search algorithms has effect on users, new study finds" (website)
- Featured in *The Hill*: "Study uncovers search engine gender bias and its potential real-world implications" (website)

16. Tomislav, P., (. . .), **Vlasceanu, M.**, et al. (2022). Predicting attitudinal and behavioral responses to COVID-19 pandemic using machine learning. *PNAS Nexus* 1(3), 93. (paper)

15. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Coman, A. (2022) The effects of dyadic conversations on Coronavirus-related belief change. *Applied Cognitive Psychology* 1-10. (paper)

14. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Momennejad, I., Dudik, M. (2022) Network Structure, Gender Diversity, and Interdisciplinarity Predict the Centrality of Artificial Intelligence Organizations. *ACM Conference on Fairness,*

Accountability, and Transparency (ACM FAccT) (paper)

13. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Reinero, D., Van Bavel, J.J. (2022) Adversarial Collaborations in Behavioral Science: Benefits and Boundary Conditions. *Journal of Applied Research in Memory and Cognition* 11(1), 23–26 (paper)

12. Van Bavel, J.J., ... **Vlasceanu, M.**, ..., Boggio, P.S. (2022) National identity predicts public health support during a global pandemic. *Nature Communications* 13, 517 (paper)

- Featured in *Psychology Today*: "Are Older People More Helpful?" (website)
- Featured in *The Guardian*: "In pretending that Covid is over, the UK government is playing a dangerous game." (website)
- Featured in *PsyPost*: "Having a stronger national identity predicts greater public health support during the COVID-19 pandemic." (website)

11. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Coman, A. (2022) Information sources differentially trigger Coronavirus-related belief change. *International Journal of Data Science and Analytics* 13, 287–298 (paper)

10. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Morais, M. J., Coman, A. (2021). Network structure impacts the synchronization of collective beliefs. *Journal of Cognition and Culture* 21(5), 431-448. (paper)

9. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Coman, A. (2021) The impact of social norms on health-related belief update. *Applied Psychology: Health and Wellbeing*, 1-12. (paper)

8. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Morais, M.J., Coman, A. (2021) The effect of prediction error on belief update across the political spectrum. *Psychological Science* 32(6), 916-933. (paper)

- Featured in *PsyPost*: "Psychologists have found that triggering large prediction errors helps to change false beliefs" (website)

7. **Vlasceanu*, M.**, Tachihara*, K., Goldberg, A., Coman, A. (2020) Lexical associations in a native and non-native language affect retrieval induced forgetting. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society* (paper)

6. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Goebel, J., Coman, A. (2020) The emotion-induced belief amplification effect. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society* (paper)

5. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Morais, M.J., Duker, A., Coman, A. (2020) The synchronization of collective beliefs: From dyadic interactions to network convergence. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied.* 26(3), 453–464. (paper)

- Featured in *Princeton Insights*: "How do our beliefs converge?" (website)

4. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Morais, M.J. (2019) A possible neural mechanism of intentional forgetting. *Journal of Neuroscience - Journal Club* 39(39): 7642-7644. (paper)

3. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Coman, A. (2018) Mnemonic accessibility affects statement believability: the effect of listening to others selectively practicing beliefs, *Cognition* 180, 238-245 (paper)

- Featured in *Science Daily*: "To dispel myths, redirect the belief, study says" (website)
- Featured in *Psychology Today*: "Are you persuasive enough to change someone's mind?" (website)

2. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Enz, K., Coman, A. (2018) Cognition in a social context: A social-interactionist approach to emergent phenomena. *Current Directions in Psychological Sciences* 27(5), 369-377 (paper)

1. **Vlasceanu, M.**, Drach, R., Coman, A. (2018) Suppressing my memories by listening to yours: the effect of socially-triggered context-based prediction error on memory. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review* 1-7 (paper)

Teaching

Human Behavior, Instructor (course eval. pending) 2027
Stanford University

Workshop in Environmental Behavioral Sciences, Instructor (course eval. pending) 2026
Stanford University

Psychological Foundations of Climate Solutions, Instructor (course eval. 4.5/5.0) 2025
Stanford University

Regression and Multilevel Modeling, Instructor (course eval. 4.8/5.0) 2024
New York University

Psychological Science and Society, Instructor (course eval. 4.6/5.0) 2023
New York University

Climate Change: Causes-Effects-Solutions, Instructor 2023
New York University, Science Exploration Program

Psychology for Policy Analysis and Implementation, Assistant Instructor 2021
Princeton University, Prof. Alin Coman, Prof. Emily Pronin

The Psychology of Decision-Making and Judgement, Assistant Instructor 2020
Princeton University, Prof. Eldar Shafir

Research Methods, Assistant Instructor 2019
Princeton University, Prof. Johannes Haushofer

Developmental Psychology, Assistant Instructor 2018
Princeton University, Prof. Casey Lew-Williams

Introduction to Psychology, Assistant Instructor 2017
Princeton University, Prof. Joel Cooper

Social Psychology and Individual Differences, Teaching Assistant 2015
University of Rochester, Prof. Andrew Eliot

Introduction to Economics, Teaching Assistant 2015
University of Rochester, Prof. Steven Landsburg

Talks and Conferences (Selected, Last 5 years)

SESP (Society for Experimental Social Psychology), Montreal, Canada 2026
Choice Symposium, Vail, Colorado 2026
International Congress of Applied Psychology, Florence, Italy 2026
General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology, Strasbourg, France 2026
APS Annual Convention, Barcelona, Spain 2026
[co-organizer] Stanford Conference on Belief Change, Stanford, CA 2026
AI and Climate Workshop, University of Michigan, MI 2026
Cognitive Colloquium, University of California Santa Cruz, CA 2026
APA Division 34 webinar 2026
Computational Social Sciences, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL 2026
[keynote] SPSP Computational Psychology Preconference, Denver CO 2025
SPSP Symposium of Megastudies, Denver CO 2025

MIT Conference on Building Trust in Science for a More Informed Future, Cambridge, MA	2025
Stanford University, Social Psychology Seminar, Stanford, CA	2025
Stanford University, Introduction to Psychology, Stanford, CA	2025
Stanford Doerr Faculty Forum, Stanford, CA	2025
ETH Zurich, Department of Health Sciences and Technology, Zurich, Switzerland	2024
Climate & Capital Media, Ventures that Tackle Global Challenges, Stanford, CA	2024
[co-organizer] Stanford Conference on Human Behavior and Climate Change, Stanford, CA	2024
Stanford University, Concepts in Environmental Communication Seminar, Stanford, CA	2024
Stanford University, Human and Planetary Health Seminar, Stanford, CA	2024
Stanford University, Affective Psychology Seminar, Stanford, CA	2024
Stanford University, Polarization and Social Change Lab, Stanford, CA	2024
[award talk] American Psychological Association Convention, Seattle WA	2024
Association for Psychological Science, Science for Society Webinar	2024
University of Washington, Center for Environmental Politics Colloquium, Seattle WA	2024
Colby College, Department of Psychology Colloquium, Waterville ME	2024
University of Chicago Booth School of Business, BDRM Conference, Chicago, IL	2024
Imperial College Business School, Management & Entrepreneurship Conversations	2024
ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, Honolulu HI	2024
World Resources Institute, Washington DC	2024
Cambridge University Social Psychology Seminar Series	2024
AAAS Annual Convention, Denver, CO	2024
Stanford University, Environmental Behavioral Sciences Seminar	2024
Governance Initiative, Multidisciplinary Governance Research Meeting, London, UK	2023
SESP Postconference on Social Science & Sustainability Solutions, Madison, Wisconsin	2023
CUNY Basic and Applied Social Psychology	2023
NYUConcats Speaker Series	2023
[keynote] Big Team Science Conference, Psychological Science Accelerator	2023
Simons Foundation NYU Science Explorations Program, New York, NY	2023
International Conference on Environmental Psychology (ICEP) Aarhus, Denmark	2023
Open Minds Conference, Florence, Italy	2023
Fathm Climate Reporting Bootcamp, Bonn, Germany	2023
International Convention of Psychological Science (ICPS), Brussels, Belgium	2023
Stanford University, Environmental Behavioral Sciences Seminar	2023
Columbia University, Social & Affective Processes Seminar	2023
London School of Economics, Seminar Series	2023
SPSP Symposium, Atlanta, GA	2023
SPSP Preconference: Political Psychology	2023
SPSP Preconference: Diversifying Sustainability Psychology	2023
SPSP Professional Development Symposium: Demystifying Tenure	2023
Stanford University, Organizations and Environmental Sustainability Conference, CA	2023
ACM FAccT, Seoul, South Korea	2022
APS Annual Convention. Chicago, IL	2022
Indian Institute of Technology IIT Delhi, CogSci Colloquium Series	2022

Dartmouth University, Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Consortium for Interacting Minds 2022
University of Virginia, Social Psychology Brown Bag 2022
Princeton University, Measuring Belief Systems Conference 2022
Microsoft Research (MSR NYC) Speaker Series 2022
Princeton University, What is Belief Seminar Series 2022
Quebec AI Institute (Mila), Reinforcement learning & decision-making (RLDM) 2022
SPSP Preconference on Collective Cognition, San Francisco, CA 2022
Cognitive Science: Comparative Cognition, Vienna, Austria 2021
APS Virtual Convention 2021
University of Colorado Boulder, Clauset Lab Meeting 2021
Association for Psychological Science, Virtual Convention 2021
Cognitive Seminar, Princeton University, NJ 2021
Cognitive Science: Learning in Humans, Animals, and Machines, Canada 2020
32nd APS Annual Convention Society, Chicago, IL 2020
Central European University, Research Seminar, Vienna, Austria 2020
Cognitive Science Conference, Toronto, Canada 2020
Princeton University, Judgement and Decision Making class, NJ 2020
Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Collective Information Processing workshop 2020

Editorial Service

npj Climate Action | Guest Editor 2026-present
- Special Issue: From Minds to Society: Linking Individual, Social, and Political Dynamics for Collective Climate Action

PNAS | Guest Editor 2025

Environmental Psychology Research | Associate Editor 2025-present

Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences | Guest Editor 2024-present
- Special Issue: Behavioral Science for Climate Change

Frontiers in Social Psychology, Computational Social Psychology | Associate Editor 2022-present

Academic Supervision

Postdoctoral scholars:

Kath Landgren (Stanford University)
Cameron Kay (Stanford University)
Michael Berkebile-Weinberg (Stanford University)

Ph.D. students:

Yash Patel (Stanford University)
Ke Fang (Stanford University)
Victor Wu (Stanford University)
Jake Reynolds (Columbia University)
Michael Berkebile-Weinberg (NYU)
Danielle Goldwert (NYU)
Katie Mason (NYU)
Kayley Okst (NYU)
Nick Fendinger (NYU)
Evelina Bao (NYU)

M.A. students:

Nazli Dakad (Stanford University)
Ke Fang (NYU)
Rebekah Zhang (NYU)

B.A students:

Runji Gao (NYU)
Yash Patel (NYU)
Angel Xing (NYU)
Rachel Tang (NYU)

PhD dissertation committee:

Danielle Goldwert (NYU)
Katie Mason (NYU)
Rachel Leshin (NYU)
Aashna Poddar (NYU)
Jeffrey Berg (NYU)
Oana Dumitru (NYU)
Michael Berkebile-Weinberg
SunYoung Kim (NYU)
Nick Fendinger (NYU)
Claire Roberson (NYU)
Kayley Okst (NYU)

Service

Panels

- co-Chair: SPSP United Nations Committee 2025
- co-Chair: Stanford Human Behavior and Environmental Sustainability Conference 2024
- Psychology Coalition at the United Nations (PCUN) 2024
- SPSP United Nations Committee 2024
- Princeton University Academic Careers professional development panel 2024
- International Panel on the Information Environment (IPIE) 2023
- SPSP Demystifying Tenure professional development panel 2023
- Princeton University Academic Careers professional development panel 2023
- NYU Diversity Equity, and Inclusion workshop for doctoral applicants 2022
- NYU Doctoral Application workshop for master's students 2022
- Anti-Racist Psychological Research Conference, Princeton University 2021
- Emerging Scholars of Psychological Science, Princeton Talk Series 2021
- Good Judgement, Princeton University 2018

Committees

- Stanford Environmental Social Sciences faculty search committee, Stanford University 2026
- Stanford Environmental Social Sciences graduate admissions committee, Stanford University 2026
- Stanford Environmental Social Sciences graduate admissions committee, Stanford University 2025
- Stanford EIPER graduate admissions committee, Stanford University 2025
- Stanford Faculty Women's Forum Steering Committee 2025
- Behavioral Science and Policy Association's Awards Committee 2025
- NYU Education Policy Committee 2024
- NYU Psychology Social Cognition Faculty Search Committee 2024
- NYU Psychology Social Faculty Search Committee 2023

- NYU Psychology Cognition and Perception Faculty Search Committee 2023
- DURF (Dean's Undergraduate Research Fund) Psychology selection committee 2022
- NYU Psychology PhD application selection committee 2021
- Graduate Student Government Executive Board, Princeton University 2020
- Code of Conduct committee, Princeton University 2019
- Graduate Fellow, Program in Cognitive Science, Princeton University 2018
- Graduate student interview organizing committee, Princeton University 2017

Invited Reviewer (30+ Journals) 2020-present

Nature Reviews Psychology
Nature Communications
Nature Human Behaviour
Nature Climate Change
PNAS
PNAS Nexus
Psychological Science
Journal of Experimental Psychology: General
Perspectives on Psychological Science
Topics in Cognitive Science
Journal of Personality and Social Psychology: Attitudes and Social Cognition
Scientific Reports
American Journal of Political Science
British Journal of Social Psychology
Global Environmental Change
Climate Policy
Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience
Memory
Memory and Cognition
Journal of Applied Research in Memory and Cognition
Cognitive Science
Social Influence
Group Processes & Intergroup Relations
Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin
Applied Psychology: Health and Well-Being
Journal on Data Science
PLOS One
Applied Cognitive Psychology
Humanities and Social Sciences Communications
Scientific Data
Behavior Research Methods
Behavioral Science & Policy

Skills

Softwares:	Python, R, LATEX, HTML, Qualtrics, Microsoft Office, Keynote, OSF
Tools:	Project management, experimental design, scientific writing, fMRI
Languages:	English (fluent), Spanish (fluent), Romanian (native)

Other Work Experience

Research mentor for students with underrepresented backgrounds 2020-2021
Polygence

Research intern summer 2021
Microsoft Research NYC