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Education

University of Illinois ChicagoAugust 2021 – PresentPh.D. student in PsychologyChicago, ILNew York UniversitySeptember 2019 – May 2021M.A. in PsychologyNew York, NYSmith CollegeSeptember 2015 – May 2019B.A. in Psychology; B.A. in Statistical & Data SciencesNorthampton, MA

Research Experience

Graduate Student

August 2021 – Present

University of Illinois Chicago

Chicago, IL

- Project 1: Understanding emotional communication through physiological signals
- Project 2: Modeling longitudinal changes in keyboard dynamics to understand affect fluctuations
- Faculty Advisor: Dr. Alexander Demos

Graduate Research Assistant

September 2019 - May 2021

New York University

New York, NY

- Thesis: Musical Stroop An Investigation of Musical Chroma Representations
- Faculty Advisor: Dr. David Poeppel
- Recruited, scheduled, and collected data for behavioral, MEG and EEG projects

Research Assistant June 2020 – May 2021

University of Delaware; Indiana University

Remote

- Utilized machine learning methods to examine the association between developmental dyslexia and musical group performances
- Collaborated on a project investigating the impact of altered auditory sensitivity on external rhythm and interpersonal synchronization
- Pre-processed and modeled longitudinal clinical data using generalized mixed effects models to examine the impact of leukoaraiosis on frontotemporal dementia patients using behavioral and neuroimaging measures

Undergraduate Research Assistant

May 2016 – June 2018

Smith College

Northampton, MA

- Facilitated and programmed for Δ Scope project to align zebrafish forebrain imaging samples
- Analyzed Project Implicit data and presented research finding at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Conference
- Conducted secondary research and constructed longitudinal questionnaires to measure sexual objectification in married couples

- 1. Ning, E., Cladek, A., Ross, M.K. Kabir, S., Barve, A., Kennelly, E., Hussain, F., Duffecy, J., Langenecker, S.L., Nguyen, T., Tulabandhula, T., Zulueta, J., Ajilore, O., Demos, A.P., Leow, A. Smartphone-derived Virtual Keyboard Dynamics Coupled with Accelerometer Data as a Window into Understanding Brain Health: Smartphone Keyboard and Accelerometer as window into Brain Health. *In Proceedings of the 2023 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '23)*.
- 2. Ross, M.K., Tulabandhula, T., Bennett, C.C., Baek, E., Kim, D., Hussain, F., Demos, A.P., Ning, E., Langenecker, S., Ajilore, O., Leow, A.D. (2023). A novel approach to clustering accelerometer data for application in passive predictions of mood changes. *Sensors*.
- 3. Demos, A.P., Del Tufo, S.N., Ning, E., Marsh, K.L., Theodore, R. & Chaffin, R. (in review). Spontaneous interpersonal synchronization in dyslexia. *Musicae Scientiae*.

Presentations

- 1. Ning, E., Cladek, A., Ross, M, Kabir, S., Barve, A., Kennelly, E., Hussain, F., Duffecy, J., Langenecker, S., Nguyen, T., Tulabandhula, T., Zulueta, J., Ajilore, O., Demos, A.P., Leow, A. Smartphone Keyboard and Accelerometer as Window into Brain Health. *Presented at 2023 Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'23) in Hamburg, Germany.*
- 2. Cladek, A., Ning, E., Ross, M, Kabir, S., Barve, A., Kennelly, E., Hussain, F., Duffecy, J., Langenecker, S., Nguyen, T., Tulabandhula, T., Zulueta, J., Ajilore, O., Leow, A., Demos, A.P. Typing Dynamics as Digital Biomarkers of Mood. *Midwestern Psychological Association (MPA23)*.
- 3. Cladek, A., Ning, E., Ross, M, Kabir, S., Barve, A., Kennelly, E., Hussain, F., Duffecy, J., Langenecker, S., Nguyen, T., Tulabandhula, T., Zulueta, J., Ajilore, O., Leow, A., Demos, A.P. Smartphone Typing Dynamics Predict Daily Mood and Impulsivity: A BiAffect Study. *Presented at UIC Psychiatry 13th Annual Research Forum*.
- 4. Smart technology in classrooms. Presentation at Spencer Foundation funded Intersection of Racial Equity and Time-Series Methods Conference.
- 5. Do listeners feel the same emotions as the performers? *Presentation at University of Illinois Chicago*
- 6. Ning, E., Pelofi, C., Farbood, M., Poeppel, D. (2020). Musical Stroop—An Investigation of Musical Chroma Representations. *Presented at NYU MA Conference*, 1st place awarded.
- 7. Stark, B., Ali, N., Bouchouari, H., Gallison, K., Hayhoe, J., Ning, E., Okorom, A., Zimmowitch, A. (2020). Examining longitudinal leukoaraiosis change in primary progressive aphasia during frontotemporal dementia and its relation to language change. *Presented at the Society for the Neurobiology of Language's* 12th Annual Meeting, Virtual.
- 8. Ning, E., Rae, J., Garcia, R. L. (2019). Contact reducing prejudice? Cognitive processes behind implicit Hispanic attitudes. *Presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology's* 20th Annual Meeting in Portland, OR.
- 9. Ning, E., Calabrese, J. R., Frost, R. O., Garcia, R. L. (2018). An examination of family warmth and perfectionism in hoarding disorder. *Presented at the New England Psychological Association's* 58th Annual Meeting in Worcester, MA.

Teaching

Teaching Assistant

- University of Illinois Chicago, "Laboratory in Perception" (PSCH 351, Spring 2023)
- University of Illinois Chicago, "Statistical Methods in Behavioral Sciences" (PSCH 343, Spring & Fall 2022)

- University of Delaware, "The Intersection of Racial Equity and Time-series Methods Conference", (Summer 2022)
- University of Illinois Chicago, "Sensation and Perception", (PSCH 350, Fall 2021)
- New York University, "Research Experience Mentor Outreach", (Summer 2020)
- Smith College, "Multiple Regression", (Fall 2018)
- University of Connecticut, "Dyadic Data Analysis Workshop", (Data Analysis Training Institute of Connecticut, DATIC; Summer 2018)

Awards & Honors

Gary Marsden Travel Awards	
Association for Computing Machinery, Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction	March 2023
Master-Mentorship Award Grant	
New York University	October 2020
MA Research Award	
New York University	June 2020
Susan Rose Internship in Music Grant	
Smith College	May 2019
Undergraduate Research Travel Award	
Smith College	February 2019
Summer Research Fellowship Program (SURF)	
Smith College	May 2017

Professional Membership

Member (Current): Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), ACM Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction (ACM SIGCHI), American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

Member (Past): Society for Music Perception and Cognition (SMPC), Psi Chi (Smith College), Mu Sigma Rho (Smith College)