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EMPLOYMENT

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Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, Harvard University, July 2019 - May 2023.

Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Harvard University, July 2014 – June 2019.

Assistant Professor, Social and Decision Sciences with a joint appointment in the Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition, Carnegie Mellon University, September 2012 – June 2014.

NIH Ruth L. Kirschstein Postdoctoral Fellow, MIT, January 2011 – August 2012.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Princeton University, June 2010 Social Psychology and Social Policy

M.A. Princeton University, January 2008

B.A. Vassar College, May 2003

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Janet Taylor Spence Award for Transformative Early Career Contributions, APS CAREER Award, National Science Foundation Sage Young Scholar Award, Foundation for Personality and Social Psychology Pellow, Society of Experimental Social Psychology Rising Star Award, Association for Psychological Science Dissertation Award Finalist, Society for Experimental Social Psychology Hoffman Scholar, Princeton University Alumni Association, Princeton University Charlotte Elizabeth Procter Honorific Dissertation Fellowship, Princeton University Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience, Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara Summer Institute in Social Psychology, Fellowship, Northwestern University University Center for Human Values, Graduate Prize Fellowship, Princeton University Woodrow Wilson School Social Policy Fellowship, Princeton University Departmental Teaching Prize, Psychology Department Graduate Travel Award, Society for Personality and Social Psychology William Markey Prize Fellowship, Tensonality and Social Psychology William Markey Prize Fellowship, Tensonality and Social Psychology	Fellow, Association for Psychological Science	2019
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Walker McKinney 30 Life Sciences Fellowship, Princeton University 2005	Walker McKinney '50 Life Sciences Fellowship, Princeton University	2005

PUBLICATIONS

- Gershman, S. J., & Cikara, M. (in press). Structure learning principles of stereotype change.

 Psychonomic Bulletin and Review.
- Kasparek, S. W., Rosen, M. L., Lurie, L. A., Cikara, M., Sambrook, K., Cvencek, D., Meltzoff, A. N., & McLaughlin, K. A. (in press). Differentiating between us & them: Reduced in-group bias as a novel mechanism linking childhood violence exposure with internalizing psychopathology.

 Research on Child and Adolescent Psychopathology
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 A finite set of cognitive primitives for representing any and all social groups in the context of conflict."
- Hatzenbuehler, M. L., McLaughlin, K. A., Weissman, D. G., & Cikara, M. (2022). Community-level explicit racial prejudice potentiates whites' neural responses to out-group faces: A spatial meta-analysis. **Social Neuroscience.**
- Vives, M., Cikara, M., & FeldmanHall, O. (2022). Following your group or your morals? The in-group promotes immoral behavior while the out-group buffers against it. **Social Psychological and Personality Science**, 13, 139-149.
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PREPRINTS

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- Chang, L. C., & Cikara, M. (under review). Improving social decision-making via pre-commitment to criteria.

- Everett, J. A. C., Ingbretsen, Z. A., Cushman, F. A., & Cikara, M. (revising). Aggression, fast and slow: Intuition favors defensive aggression.
- Goldenberg, A., LaFollette, K., Huang, Z., Weisz, E., & Cikara, M. (under review). Judgment of crowds as emotional increases with the proportion of Black faces.
- Hatzenbuehler, M. L., McLaughlin, K. A., Weissman, D. G., & Cikara, M. (under review). Does social inequality influence brain structure and function? Advancing the emerging subfield of contextual cognitive neuroscience
- Hudson, S. T. J., Cikara, M., & Sidanius, J. (under review). Preference for hierarchy is related to the motivation to feel less empathy and more schadenfreude towards low status people.
- Hudson, S. T. J., Cikara, M., & Sidanius, J. (under review). Cruelty and indifference are the point:

 Preference for hierarchy is related to support for policies that harm marginalized groups through feeling both less empathy and more schadenfreude.
- Momennejad, I., Sinclair, S., & Cikara, M. (revising). Computational justice: Simulating structural bias and interventions.
- Ruggieri, K., et al. (under review). Evaluating expectations from social and behavioral science about COVID-19 and lessons for the next pandemic.
- Voelkel, J. et al. (under review). Megastudy identifying successful interventions to strengthen Americans' democratic attitudes.
- Vollberg, M., & Cikara, M. (under review). Affective prediction errors in persistence and escalation of aggression.
- Weisz, E., & Cikara, M. (revising). Merely increasing action options increases charitable donations.

GRANTS

- NSF Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences Grant (\$604,296), PI (S. Gershman: Co-PI). Awarded by the National Science Foundation for, "Social Structure Learning." 2021-2024.
- Dean's Competitive Fund for Promising Scholarship (\$43,390), Pl. Awarded by the Office of the Dean at Harvard University for, "How Opinions Become Represented as Knowledge: Implications for Politics and Public Health." 2021-2022.
- Dean's Competitive Fund for Promising Scholarship (\$50,000), Pl. Awarded by the Office of the Dean at Harvard University for, "How opinions become represented as knowledge (and how to intervene)." 2019-2020.
- The Pershing Square Venture Fund for Research on the Foundations of Human Behavior (\$40,000), Pl. Awarded by the Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative for, "Modeling latent preferences for out-group harm (and how to intervene)." 2019-2020.

- Dean's Competitive Fund for Promising Scholarship (\$33,820), Pl. Awarded by the Office of the Dean at Harvard University for, "Why people 'want' to consume violence when they say they 'dislike' it." 2018-2019.
- NSF CAREER Award (\$511,846), Pl. Awarded by the National Science Foundation for, "Engineering opportunity: Manipulating choice architecture to attenuate social bias." 2017-2022.
- William F. Milton Fund (\$50,000), Pl. Awarded by the Office of the Vice Provost for Research at Harvard University for, "Addressing social bias with choice architecture," 2017-2018.
- MBB Faculty Award (\$45,360), Co-Pl. Awarded by the Harvard Society for Mind, Brain, and Behavior at Harvard University for, "Learning the structure of social groups," 2017-2018.
- NSF Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences Grant (\$449,995), Pl. Awarded by the National Science Foundation for, "Learning-based motivation of intergroup aggression." 2016-2019.
- The Pershing Square Venture Fund for Research on the Foundations of Human Behavior (\$40,000), Pl. Awarded by the Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative for, "An interdisciplinary approach to understanding the cycle of collective violence," 2015-2017.
- MBB Faculty Award (\$50,000), Co-Pl. Awarded by the Harvard Society for Mind, Brain, and Behavior at Harvard University for, "Manipulating corticostriatal circuitry to improve intergroup relations," 2015-2016.
- PNC Center for Financial Services Innovation (\$31,700), Pl. Awarded for, "Individuals vs. Institutions: The neural antecedents and behavioral consequences of customer trust," 2013.
- Berkman Faculty Development Grant (\$7,000), Pl. Awarded by the Berkman Faculty Development Fund at Carnegie Mellon University for, "Groups on the brain," 2012.
- Postdoctoral Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (F32 HD068086), PI (Mentors: Rebecca Saxe and Laura Schulz). Awarded by the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development, National Institutes of Health, for, "Development of social comparison and its effect on empathy," 2011-2012.

CHAIRED CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

- Finkel, E., & Cikara, M. (October 2022). Demons and haters: Misperceptions of opposing political partisans. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Philadelphia, PA. Speakers: Mina Cikara, Eli Finkel, Samantha Moore-Berg, Charlie Dorison.
- Cikara, M., & Freeman, J. (May 2018). Co-organizer of the Annual meeting of the Social and Affective Neuroscience Society Conference, New York, NY.
- Cikara, M. (October, 2017). Computational modeling of moral preferences and learning among individuals and groups. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Boston, MA. Speakers: Mina Cikara, Amy Krosch, Molly Crockett, Cendri Hutcherson.

- Cikara, M., & Lau, T. (May, 2017). Psychological foundations of group polarization. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA. Speakers: Ryan Enos, Jessica Keating, Tatiana Lau, Todd Rogers.
- Cikara, M., & Krosch, A. R. (September, 2016). Reference dependence in intergroup evaluation and discrimination. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Santa Monica, CA. Speakers: Mina Cikara, Amy Krosch, Katherine Phillips, Margaret Tankard.
- Cikara, M., Dunham, Y., & Rand, D. (February, 2014). Cooperation and Conflict. A pre-conference associated with the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.
- Cikara, M. (October, 2012). Brain to brain coupling. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Social Neuroscience, New Orleans, LA. Speakers: Stephen V. Shepherd, Michael H. Goldstein, Uri Hasson, Mina Cikara.
- Cikara, M. (January, 2011). Us versus them: Effects of intergroup competition on tolerance of outgroup suffering. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX. Speakers: Marjorie Rhodes, Mina Cikara, Emile Bruneau, Elizabeth Levy Paluck.
- Cikara, M. (January, 2010). How we feel about them: Emotional responses to outgroups' pleasures and pains. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Las Vegas, NV. Speakers: Max Weisbuch, Matteo Forgiarini, Mina Cikara, Wilco Van Dijk.
- Cikara, M., & Fiske, S. T. (February, 2009). Motivational neuroscience: The social brain is not hard-wired. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Tampa, FL. Speakers: William Cunningham, Mina Cikara, Christine Cox, David Amodio.

CONFERENCE PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- Cikara, M., & Lees, J. (October 2022). Understanding and combating misperceived polarization. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Philadelphia, PA.
- Cikara, M., & Lees, J. (May 2022). Understanding and combating misperceived polarization. Talk presented at the DRRC & IPR Political Sectarianism Conference, Evanston, IL.
- Cikara, M., Lau, T., & Gershman, S. (May, 2022). Social structure learning. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Social Affective Neuroscience Society, virtual.
- Cikara, M., & Lees, J. (February, 2022). Combating misperceptions of polarization. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, virtual.
- Cikara, M., Fouka, V., & Tabellini, M. (February, 2022). Hate crime increases with minoritized group rank. Talk presented at the Morality & Justice pre-conference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, virtual.

- Cikara, M., Lau, T., & Gershman, S. (February, 2021) Context dependence in social groups. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Social Neuroscience, virtual.
- Cikara, M., Fouka, V., & Tabellini, M. (February, 2021). Hate crime increases with minoritized group rank. Talk presented at the Peace & Conflict pre-conference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, virtual.
- Cikara, M., Lau, T., & Gershman, S. (February, 2020). Social structure learning. Talk presented at the Small Groups pre-conference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.
- Cikara, M., Martinez, J. E., Feldman, L., & Feldman, M. (January, 2020). Criminality racializes, achievement homogenizes: narratives shape cognitive representations of immigrant groups. Talk presented at Stanford University Conflict and Polarization meeting. Palo Alto, CA.
- Cikara, M., Lau, T., & Gershman, S. (October, 2019) Social structure learning. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Toronto, Ontario.
- Cikara, M., Lau, T., & Gershman, S. (September, 2019) Social structure learning. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Psychophysiological Research, Washington DC.
- Cikara, M., Martinez, J. E., Feldman, L., & Feldman, M. (May, 2019). Criminality racializes, achievement homogenizes: narratives shape cognitive representations of immigrant groups. Talk presented at the Association for Psychological Sciences, Washington DC.
- Cikara, M., Martinez, J. E., Feldman, L., & Feldman, M. (February, 2019). Criminality racializes, achievement homogenizes: narratives shape cognitive representations of immigrant groups. Talk presented at the Social Cognition pre-conference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.
- Cikara, M., Martinez, J. E., Feldman, L., & Feldman, M. (October, 2018). Criminality racializes, excellence equalizes: narratives shape representations of immigrant groups. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Seattle, WA.
- Cikara, M., Martinez, J. E., Feldman, L., & Feldman, M. (August, 2018). Criminality racializes, achievement homogenizes: narratives shape cognitive representations of immigrant groups. Talk presented at the Political Psychology Pre-conference of the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
- Cikara, M. (April, 2018). Their pain, our pleasure. Talk presented at Culture and Negotiation Conference, Kellog School of Management, Northwestern University.
- Cikara, M. & Moore, W. E. (March, 2018). Modeling latent preferences for out-group harm. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.
- Cikara, M. & Moore, W. E. (March, 2018). Modeling latent preferences for out-group harm. Talk presented at the Morality and Justice Pre-conference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.

- Cikara, M. & Moore, W. E. (October, 2017). Modeling latent preferences for out-group harm. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Boston, MA.
- Cikara, M., Gaesser, B., Shimura, Y. (May, 2017). Leveraging episodic simulation to reduce intergroup bias in helping. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.
- Cikara, M., Van Bavel, J. J., Ingbretsen, Z., & Lau, T. (November, 2016). Representing friend and foe. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA.
- Cikara, M. (September, 2016). Their pain, our pleasure: Intergroup emotions and aggression. Talk presented at the Intergroup Pre-conference of the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Santa Monica, CA.
- Cikara, M., & Chang, L. W. (September, 2016) Engineering opportunity: Manipulating choice architecture to attenuate social bias. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Santa Monica, CA.
- Cikara, M., Van Bavel, J. J., Ingbretsen, Z., & Lau, T. (July, 2016). Representing friend and foe. Talk to be presented at the annual meeting of the International Society for Justice Research, Canterbury, UK.
- Cikara, M. (June, 2016). Intergroup empathy. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Austin TX.
- Cikara, M. (February, 2016). Decoding friend and foe. Talk presented at the annual Social Brain Sciences Symposium, Boston, MA.
- Cikara, M., Jenkins, A., Dufour, N., & Saxe, R. (February, 2015). Reduced selfreferential neural response during intergroup competition predicts competitor harm. Talk presented at the annual meeting of Social and Affective Neuroscience Society Conference, Boston, MA.
- Cikara, M., Jenkins, A., Dufour, N., & Saxe, R. (February, 2015). Reduced selfreferential neural response during intergroup competition predicts competitor harm. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, CA.
- Cikara, M. (February, 2015). Their pain, our pleasure. Talk presented at the Emotions pre-conference associated with the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, CA.
- Cikara, M., Bruneau, E., Van Bavel, J., & Saxe, R. (September, 2014). Their pain gives us pleasure: Understanding empathic failures and counter-empathic responses in intergroup contexts. Talk presented at the annual meeting of European Society of Philosophy and Psychology, Noto, Sicily.
- Cikara, M. (April, 2014). Their pain, our pleasure. Talk presented at the inaugural meeting of the Society for Affective Science, Bethesda, MD.

- Cikara, M., Jenkins, A., Dufour, N., & Saxe, R. (February, 2014). There is less 'l' in teams. Talk presented at the Cooperation and Conflict pre-conference associated with the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.
- Cikara, M., Bruneau, E., Van Bavel, J., & Saxe, R. (November, 2013). Their pain gives us pleasure: Understanding empathic failures and counter-empathic responses in intergroup contexts. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Social Neuroscience, San Diego CA.
- Cikara, M., Bruneau, E., Van Bavel, J., & Saxe, R. (September, 2013). Their pain gives us pleasure:

 Understanding empathic failures and counter-empathic responses in intergroup competition. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Berkeley CA.
- Cikara, M., Bruneau, E., Van Bavel, J., & Saxe, R. (May, 2013). The roots of intergroup empathy bias: Intergroup competition and differentiation shape empathy toward in-group and out-group members. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Society, Washington DC.
- Cikara, M., Bruneau, E., Van Bavel, J., & Saxe, R. (January, 2013). The roots of intergroup empathy bias: Intergroup competition and differentiation shape empathy toward in-group and out-group members. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.
- Cikara, M., Honey, C., Paluck, E., & Hasson, U. (October, 2012). Neural processing of (dis)agreeable communication. Talk presented at the annual meeting of Society for Social Neuroscience, New Orleans, LA.
- Cikara, M., Bruneau, E., Van Bavel, J., & Saxe, R. (January, 2012). Competition and Identification: Effects on Intergroup Empathy. Talk presented at the GPIR preconference for the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.
- Cikara, M., Botvinick, M. M., & Fiske, S. T. (September, 2011). Us versus them: Mere social identification shapes neural responses to intergroup competition and harm. Talk presented at the annual meeting of Society for Psychophysiological Research, Boston, MA.
- Cikara, M., van der Laan, N., Schulz, L., & Saxe, R. (May 2011). Developing social comparison and its effects on empathy. Talk presented at the Greater Boston Cognitive Development Workshop, Waltham, MA.
- Cikara, M., & Fiske, S. T. (January, 2011). Stereotypes, Schadenfreude, and harm. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.
- Cikara, M., Botvinick, M. M., & Fiske, S. T. (October, 2010). Us versus them: Mere social identification shapes neural responses to intergroup competition and harm. Talk presented at the annual meeting of Social and Affective Neuroscience Conference, Chicago, IL.
- Cikara, M., Botvinick, M. M., & Fiske, S. T. (June, 2010). Us v. Them: Neural responses to rival group's pleasures and pains. Talk presented at the biennial meeting of the Behavioral Decision Research in Management Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

- Cikara, M., Botvinick, M. M., & Fiske, S. T. (January, 2010). Red Sox v. Yankees: fMRI investigation of pain and pleasure responses to a rival group's outcomes. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Las Vegas, NV.
- Cikara, M., Eberhardt, J. L., & Fiske, S. T. (February, 2009). From subjects to objects: Sexist attitudes and neural responses to sexualized targets. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Tampa, FL.
- Cikara, M., Farnsworth, R. A., Harris, L. T., & Fiske S. T. (August, 2008). Are some lives more valuable than others? Talk presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.
- Cikara, M., & Girgus, J. S. (February, 2007). Social dependence and self-esteem as predictors of depressive symptoms. Talk presented at Four College Graduate Student Conference, Columbia University, New York, NY.

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Social Psychology, University of Kansas	2022
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Cognitive Science Seminar, Northwestern University	2022
Psychology Department, University of Illinois, Chicago	2022
Psychology Department, University of Texas at Austin	2022
BASP Colloquium, City University of New York	2022
Center for Moral Understanding, UNC Chapel Hill	2022
Neisser Invited Lecture, Psychology Department, Cornell University	2022
Cognitive Science Seminar, University of Chicago	2022
Psychology Department, The Ohio State University	2021
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Anderson School of Management, UCLA	2021
Social Psychology, Yale University	2021
Social Psychology, University of Wisconsin	2021
Psychology Department, Vassar College	2021
Simons Center for the Social Brain, MIT	2021
Social Psychology Seminar Series, University of Cambridge	2021
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Psychology Department, Vassar College	2020
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, New York University	2020
DRRC & IPR Political Polarization Conference, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern	2020
Psychology Department, Columbia University	2020
Meeting on Intergroup Conflict and Polarization, Stanford Graduate School of Business	2020
Psychology Department, University of Massachusetts, Amherst	2020
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, University of Connecticut	2019
Psychology Department, University British Columbia	2019
Mind, Brain, Behavior Panel on Hate, Harvard University	2019
Graduate School of Business, Stanford University	2019
Affective Brain Lab, University College London	2019
Rock Ethics Institute, Penn State	2019
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, Northeastern University	2019
Institute for Personality and Social Psychology, Berkeley University	2018
Mind, Brain, & Behavior Mini-Conference, Harvard University	2018
Psychology Department, University of Maryland	2018
Templeton Foundation Groups Workshop, Yale University	2018
Psychology Department, Williams College	2018
Psychology Department, Rutgers University	2018
Psychology Department, Tufts University	2018
Marketing seminar, Questrom School of Business, Boston University	2017
Summer School in Social Neuroscience & Neuroeconomics, Duke University, Durham, NC	2017
Advanced Course in Social and Cognitive Neuroscience of Thought, Sienna, Italy	2017
Neural Basis of Political Behavior Workshop, Sienna, Italy	2017
Center for Decision Research, Chicago Booth, University of Chicago	2017
Building an Inclusive Boston Conference, Beyond Conflict, Boston MA	2016
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Institute for Social Sciences, University of Lisbon	2016
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Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, Brown University	2015
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Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, University of Connecticut	2015
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, Claremont McKenna College	2015
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Neuroleadership Conference, New York, NY	2015
Beyond Conflict Conference, Washington DC	2015
Department of Political Science, MIT	2015
Cognitive Psychology, Department of Psychology, Yale University	2014
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, New York University	2014
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, University of Massachusetts at Amherst	2014
ORG Seminar, Department of Psychology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	2014
Social Brain Sciences, Department of Psychology, Dartmouth University	2014
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, Harvard University	2013
Department of Cognitive Science, Case Western Reserve University	2013
Department of Social and Decision Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University	2013
Annual CNBC Retreat, Carnegie Mellon University	2013
Behavior Economics and Decision Research, Cornell University	2013
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, Carnegie Mellon University	2012
Center for Behavioral Decision Research, Carnegie Mellon University	2012
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, Northeastern University	2011
Social Psychology, Department of Psychology, Harvard University	2011
Rady School of Management, University of California San Diego	2011
Department of Psychology, University of Chicago	2011
Center for Behavioral Decision Research, Carnegie Mellon University	2010
Department of Psychology, University of California San Diego	2010
Management Division, Columbia Business School	2010
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Wired to Connect? The Neuroscience of Social Understanding and Interaction	2018
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Social Brains: Neural Bases of Social Perception and Cognition, Carnegie Mellon University	2014
Us vs. Them: Group Processes and Intergroup Relations, Carnegie Mellon University	2014
Empirical Research Methods, Carnegie Mellon University	2013
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Introductory Psychology, with Joel Cooper, Princeton University	2008
Social Psychology, with Deborah Prentice, Princeton University	2007
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ACADEMIC DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

In Summer 2020 I also co-led the creation of a collaborative manual, Concrete Steps for Recruiting, Supporting, and Advancing Underrepresented Minoritized Scientists, which has been widely disseminated across numerous departments, institutes, and programs: https://tinyurl.com/concretesteps