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Education

May 2020 (Expected) **Doctor of Philosophy.** The University of Michigan. Social Psychology.

May 2012 **Bachelor of Science.** The University of St. Thomas (MN). Neuroscience.

Positions Held

July 2016 – March 2018 **Project Manager for Depletion Effect Registered Replication.** Kathleen Vohs and Roy Baumeister (Principal Investigators).

Aug 2013 – Aug 2015 **Lab Manager.** Carlson School of Management. Department of Marketing & Logistics. Kathleen Vohs (Faculty).

May 2012 – May 2014 **Research Assistant.** University of Minnesota. Psychology and Marketing Departments. Jeffrey Simpson and Vlasdas Griskevicius (Faculty).

Sept 2011 – Sept 2012 **Research Assistant.** University of St. Thomas. Psychology Department. Elise Amel (Faculty).

Research Grants

April 2018 **Rackham Conference Travel Award.** “Infectious disease has many faces: Are they all the same?” (new data presented) \$1,050

February 2018 **Rackham Conference Travel Award.** “Infectious disease has many faces: Are they all the same?” \$800

September 2017 **Rackham Conference Travel Award.** “What does infectious disease look like in the mind? A reverse correlation approach” (new data presented). \$800

September 2016 **Rackham Conference Travel Award.** “Power play: Status-sensitive men may strategically modulate their desire for intergroup dominance” (new data presented). \$800

May 2016 **Rackham Conference Travel Award.** “Power play: Status-sensitive men (indexed by their change in testosterone) may strategically modulate their desire for intergroup dominance”. \$1,050

Jan 2012 – May 2012 **Collaborative Inquiry at UST.** “Determinism: A new lens for attribution”. \$1500.

Publications

Chan, T., **Michalak, N.M.**, Ybarra, O. (2018). When God is your only friend: Religious beliefs compensate for purpose in life in the socially disconnected. *Journal of Personality*. [[.pdf](#)] [[materials, data, analyses](#)]

Raisanen, J.C., Chadwick, S.B., **Michalak, N.M.**, & van Anders, S.M. (2018). Average associations between sexual desire, testosterone, and stress in women and men over time. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*. [[.pdf](#)] [[analyses](#)]

Contributions to Edited Collections

Wang, I.W., **Michalak, N.M.**, & Ackerman, J.M. (2018). Threat of Infectious Disease. In Zeigler-Hill, V. & Shackelford, T.K. (Eds.), *The SAGE Handbook of Personality and Individual Differences*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications. [[.pdf](#)]

Wang, I.W., **Michalak, N.M.**, & Ackerman, J.M. (2016). Life history strategies. In Shackelford, T.K., Weekes-Shackelford, V. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*. New York City, NY: Springer. [[.pdf](#)]

Unpublished Manuscripts

Michalak, N. M., & Ackerman, J.M. (in preparation). Mentally representing infected people.

Michalak, N. M., & Ackerman, J.M. (in preparation). Infectious disease has many faces: Are they all the same?

Lewis, N. A., Jr., & **Michalak, N. M.** (in principle acceptance). Has stereotype threat dissipated over time? A cross-temporal meta-analysis. *Comprehensive Results in Social Psychology*. [[.pdf](#)] [[materials, data, analyses](#)]

Vohs, K.D., Lasaleta, J.D., Guo, S., Zou, X., & **Michalak, N.M.**, & Chaplin, L.N. (under review). With friends like these, who needs money? Feeling socially supported weakens the desire for money. *Journal of the Association for Consumer Research*

Jones, B. C., DeBruine, L., Flake, J. K., Aczel, B., Adamkovic, M., Alaei, R., ... & Babinčák, P. (2018). Social perception of faces around the world: How well does the valence-dominance model generalize across world regions? (Registered Report Stage 1). [[.pdf](#)] [[materials, data, analyses](#)]

Invited presentations

Michalak, N.M., Takahashi, K.J. (2017). Methods Reform: Motivations, challenges, and best practices. Presentation given at Dal Cin Lab Meeting at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Michalak, N.M., Takahashi, K.J., & Lee, J.Y. (2017). Preregistration. Presentation given at

Psychology Methods Hour at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Michalak, N.M., & Takahashi, K.J. (2017). Preregistration. Presentation given at Social Area Brownbag at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Michalak, N.M., & Ackerman, J.M. (2017). Infectious disease has many faces: Are they all the same? Presentation given at Social Area Brown Bag at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Michalak, N.M., & Ackerman, J.M. (2017). What does infectious disease look like in the mind? Presentation given at Social Area Brown Bag at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Michalak, N.M. (2017). What's a good test? Presentation given at Psychology Methods Hour at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Conference Presentations

Michalak, N.M., Takahashi, K.J., & Ackerman, J.M. (2019). Does anger cue coalition membership? Presentation given at the at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Convention*, Portland, OR.

Michalak, N.M., & Ackerman, J.M. (2018). Infectious disease has many faces: Are they all the same? Presentation given at the at the *Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference*, Amsterdam. New data presented.

Michalak, N.M., & Ackerman, J.M. (2018). Infectious disease has many faces: Are they all the same? Presentation given at the at the *Nonverbal Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Convention*, Atlanta, GA.

Michalak, N.M., & Ackerman, J.M. (2017). What does infectious disease look like in the mind? A Reverse Correlation Approach. Presentation given at the at the *Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference*, Boise, ID.

Michalak, N.M., & Ackerman, J.M. (2017). What does infectious disease look like in the mind? A Reverse Correlation Approach. Presentation given at the *Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Convention*, San Antonio, TX.

Michalak, N.M., & Edelstein, R.S. (2017). Power play: Status-sensitive men may strategically modulate their desire for intergroup dominance. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Convention*, San Antonio, TX. New data presented.

Michalak, N.M., & Edelstein, R.S. (2016). Power play: Status-sensitive men (indexed by their change in testosterone) may strategically modulate their desire for intergroup dominance. Presentation given at the *Connecting Minds in Social Neuroendocrinology and Evolution Preconference at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference*, Vancouver, Canada.

Michalak, N.M. & Amel, E.L. (2013). Visual, not verbal information affects attitudes about drilling for

oil. Poster presented at the *Association for Psychological Science Convention*, Washington, D.C.

Michalak, N.M. (2012). Determinism: A new lens for attribution. Poster presented at *Spring Inquiry at UST*, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN.

Michalak, N.M. (2012). Determinism: A new lens for attribution. Presentation given at the *Minnesota Undergraduate Psychology Conference*, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN.

Michalak, N.M., Borden, E.E., Fischer, R.A., & May, J.S. (2012). Components of college student schedules as predictors of the cortisol awakening response. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Psychology Conference*, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN.

Michalak, N.M. & Amel, E.L. (2012) Reducing carbon emissions: Perceived control linked to intentions to donate for a cause. Poster presented at the *Seven Rivers Undergraduate Research Symposium*, Viterbo University, La Crosse, WI.

Service

2017-2018 Social Psychology Alumni Speaker Series Committee

Teaching

Winter 2019	Advanced Statistical Methods II (PSYCH 614) Graduate Student Instructor with Richard Gonzalez
Fall 2018	Advanced Statistical Methods I (PSYCH 613) Graduate Student Instructor with Richard Gonzalez
Winter 2018	Advanced Statistical Methods II (PSYCH 614) Graduate Student Instructor with Adrienne Beltz
Fall 2017	Advanced Statistical Methods I (PSYCH 613) Graduate Student Instructor with Adrienne Beltz
Winter 2017	Advanced Statistical Methods II (PSYCH 614) Graduate Student Instructor with Richard Gonzalez
Fall 2016	Advanced Statistical Methods I (PSYCH 613) Graduate Student Instructor with Richard Gonzalez
Winter 2016	Introduction to Social Psychology (PSYCH 280) Graduate Student Instructor with Carla Grayson

Undergraduate Senior Honors Thesis Students

2016-2017 Isabel Osgood, B.A. University of Michigan. Infectious disease psychology and social categorization.

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program

2017-2018 Briana Bowen. University of Michigan. Associations between infectious disease and benign cues.

2016-2017 Emily Jones. University of Michigan. Mental representations of infectious disease: A reverse correlation approach.

Consulting

2018-2019 Statistics Consultant. University of Michigan Department of Psychology

2017-2018 Statistics Consultant. University of Michigan Department of Psychology

Workshops

June 2018 A gentle crash course in R using `tidyverse` (co-taught with Loek Brinkman). Society for the Improvement of Psychological Science, Grand Rapids, MI. [\[materials\]](#)

June 2018 R Programming for Research (co-taught with Iris M. Wang). University of Michigan Department of Psychology, Ann Arbor, MI. [\[materials\]](#)

July 2017 R Programming for Research (co-taught with Iris M. Wang). University of Michigan Department of Psychology, Ann Arbor, MI. [\[materials\]](#)

Professional Memberships

2016 - Present Association for Psychological Science

2015 - Present Human Behavior and Evolution Society

2014 - Present Society for Personality and Social Psychology