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**Education**

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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**

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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 Vlaslas Griskevicius (Faculty).

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

**Research Grants**

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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

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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

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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

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**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.** (under review). Has stereotype threat dissipated over time? A cross-temporal meta-analysis. *Comprehensive Results in Social Psychology*.

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). [[.html](#)]

## Invited presentations

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**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

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**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.



**Consulting**

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2018-2019	Statistics Consultant. University of Michigan Department of Psychology
2017-2018	Statistics Consultant. University of Michigan Department of Psychology

**Workshops**

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June 2018	A gentle crash course in R using <code>tidyverse</code> (co-taught with Loek Brinkman). Society for the Improvement of Psychological Science, Grand Rapids, MI. <a href="#">[materials]</a>
June 2018	R Programming for Research (co-taught with Iris M. Wang). University of Michigan Department of Psychology, Ann Arbor, MI. <a href="#">[materials]</a>
July 2017	R Programming for Research (co-taught with Iris M. Wang). University of Michigan Department of Psychology, Ann Arbor, MI. <a href="#">[materials]</a>

**Professional Memberships**

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2016 - Present	Association for Psychological Science
2015 - Present	Human Behavior and Evolution Society
2014 - Present	Society for Personality and Social Psychology