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Curriculum Vitae

Department of Psychology
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Employment

New Mexico State University
Professor & Department Head, Department of Psychology, 2022 – present

Claremont Graduate University
Professor, Department of Psychology, 2015 – 2022
Associate Provost for Research, 2017 – 2020

Princeton University
Senior Lecturer, Department of Psychology, 2007 – 2015
Lecturer, Department of Psychology, 2004 – 2007

University of Illinois at Chicago
Associate Professor, 2002 – 2004
Assistant Professor, 1996 – 2002

Education

University of South Carolina, Ph.D., 1996
Major: Experimental Psychology; Minor: Statistics

University of South Carolina, M.A., 1993
Experimental Psychology

Union College, B.S., 1991
Computer Science & Psychology

Editorial Positions

Editor-In-Chief, *Journal of Intelligence*, 2021 – 2024
Associate Editor: *Journal of Intelligence*, 2019 – 2021
Associate Editor: *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, 2017 – 2020
Associate Editor: *Journal of Cognitive Psychology*, 2007 – 2012
Editorial Board: *Intelligence*, 2017 – 2021
Editorial Board, *Journal of Expertise*, 2018 – present
Editorial Board: *Journal of Intelligence*, 2013 – present
Editorial Board: *Memory & Cognition*, 2005 – 2013

Publications (93) (h-index = 51)

Publications available on lab website: <https://caliberlab.wixsite.com/website>

Research materials, including data and code, available on Open Science Framework: osf.io/murqg

Hao, H., Tubiolo, P., Williams, J., Bauer, K., Silver-Frankel, E., Luceno, S., Chan, A., Zheng, Z., Bobchin, K., Kotov, R., Perlman, G., Conway, A. R. A., & Van Snellenberg J. (in press). The latent structure of working memory: A large sample factor model of working memory capacity. *Cognitive, Affective, & Behavioral Neuroscience*.

Holden, L., Goodwin, K., & Conway, A. R. A. (in press). Higher trait working memory capacity may benefit standardized test performance under race related stereotype threat. *Memory & Cognition*.

Mathis, A., Conway, A. R. A., & Hout, M. (in press). Can You Picture It? People Vary in Their Ability to Create Mental Pictures. *Frontiers for Young Minds*.

Pathare, M., Navarro, E., & Conway, A. R. A. (2025). Seeing Through Other Eyes: How Language Experience and Cognitive Abilities Shape Theory of Mind. *Behavioral Sciences*, 15(6), 755. <https://doi.org/10.3390/bs15060755>

Trafimow, D., Hout, M. C., & Conway, A. R. A. (2024). A nuanced view of the extent to which samples from narrow populations are scientifically problematic. *American Psychologist*.

Hao, H., Conway, A. R. A., Kovacs, K., & Snijder (2024). Simulating the process overlap theory of intelligence: A unified framework bridging psychometric and cognitive perspectives. *Personality and Individual Differences*.

Moore D.M. & Conway A.R.A. (2023). The structure of cognitive abilities and associations with problem behaviors in early adolescence: An analysis of baseline data from the Adolescent Brain Cognitive Development Study. *Journal of Intelligence*. 11(5):90.

Trafimow, D., Hout, M. C., Conway, A. R. A. (2023). Why Basic and Applied Social Psychology declines demographics requirements. *Basic and Applied Social Psychology*, 45(6), 157-161.

Navarro E., Hao H, Rosales K.P., & Conway A.R.A. (2023). An item response theory approach to the measurement of working memory capacity. *Behavior Research Methods*.

Snijder, J.P., Tang, R., Bugg, J.M., Conway, A.R.A., & Braver, T.S. (2023). On the psychometric evaluation of cognitive control tasks: An Investigation with the Dual Mechanisms of Cognitive Control (DMCC) battery. *Behavior Research Methods*.

Tang, R., Bugg, J., Snijder, J., Conway, A. R. A., & Braver, T. S. (2022). The Dual Mechanisms of Cognitive Control (DMCC) project: Validation of an on-line behavioral task battery. *Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology*.

- Rosales, K.P., Snijder, J.-P., Conway, A.R.A., & Gonthier, C. (2022). Working memory capacity and dual mechanisms of cognitive control: An experimental-correlational approach. *Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology*, 1-47.
- Hao, H. & Conway, A. R. A. (2021). The impact of auditory distraction on reading comprehension: An individual differences investigation. *Memory & Cognition*, 1-12.
- Conway, A. R. A., Kovacs, K., Hao, H., Rosales, K., & Snijder, J. P. (2021). Individual differences in attention and intelligence: A unified cognitive/psychometric approach. *Journal of Intelligence*, 9(3), 34.
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- Conway, A. R. A., & Hao, H. (2020). The role of non-cognitive factors in the SAT remains unclear: A commentary on Hannon (2019). *Journal of Intelligence*, 8(2), 15.
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Kovacs, K., Molenaar, D., & Conway, A. R. A. (2019). The domain generality of working memory capacity is moderated by ability. *Journal of Memory and Language*, 109, 140-148.

Conway, A. R. A., & Kovacs, K. (2019). Working memory and intelligence. In Sternberg, R. J. (Ed.). *The Cambridge Handbook of Intelligence*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

Peter-Hagene, L. C., Burke, K. C., Bottoms, B. L., Nysse Carris, K. & Conway, A. R. A. (2019). Children's eyewitness lineup accuracy one year later: The role of social support and working memory capacity. *International Journal on Child Maltreatment: Research, Policy, and Practice*, 2, 255–285.

Schmank C. J., Goring S. A., Kovacs K., & Conway A. R. A. (2019). Psychometric network analysis of the Hungarian WAIS. *Journal of Intelligence*, 7(3), 21.

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Oberauer, K., Lewandowsky S., Awh, E., Brown, G. D. A., Conway, A. R. A., Cowan, N., Donkin, C., Farrell, S., Hitch, G. J., Hurlstone, M., Ma, W., Morey, C. C., Nee, D. E., Schweppe, J., Vergauwe, E., & Ward, G. (2018). Benchmarks provide common ground for model development: Reply to Logie (2018) and Vandierendonck (2018). *Psychological Bulletin*, 144, 972-977.

Conway, A. R. A., & Kovacs, K. (2017). The nature of the general factor of intelligence. In R. Sternberg (Ed.), *The Nature of Intelligence*. Cambridge University Press.

Kovacs, K., & Conway, A. R. A. (2017). The evolution of fluid intelligence meets formative g. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 40, 35-36.

Kovacs, K., & Conway, A. R. A. (2016). Process overlap theory: A unified account of the general factor of intelligence. *Psychological Inquiry*, 27, 151-177.

Kovacs, K., & Conway, A. R. A. (2016). Has g gone to POT? *Psychological Inquiry*, 27, 241-253

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Gonthier, C., Macnamara B. N., Chow M., Conway A. R. A., & Braver T. S. (2016) Inducing proactive control shifts in the AX-CPT. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 7, 1822.

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- Thornton, M. A., & Conway, A. R. A. (2013). Working memory for social information: Chunking or domain-specific buffer? *Neuroimage*, 70, 233-239.

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- Conway, A. R. A. (2005). Cognitive mechanisms underlying intelligence: Defense of a reductionist approach. In O. Wilhelm and R. W. Engle (Eds.), *Understanding and Measuring Intelligence*. Sage.
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External Grant Funding

A Data-driven Reconceptualization of the RDoC Construct of Working Memory: Neural Correlates of Underlying Factors and Implications for Schizophrenia

National Institutes of Health (April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2024)

Role: Co-Principal Investigator

PI: Jared Van Snellenberg, Stony Brook University

Dual Mechanisms of Cognitive Control

National Institutes of Health (April 1, 2013 – June 30, 2016)

Role: Co-Principal Investigator

PI: Todd Braver, Washington University in St. Louis

The Effects of Mind-Wandering on the Learning and Retention of STEM Content: Experimental and Individual Differences Investigations

National Science Foundation (August 1, 2013 – June 30, 2015)

Role: Statistics Consultant

PIs: Mike Kane, Univ. of North Carolina, Greensboro & Akira Miyake, Univ. of Colorado

Longitudinal Assessment of Brain Structure and Function in Sports-related Concussion

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services (June 1, 2010 – May 30, 2013)

Role: Statistics Consultant

PI: Dan Osherson, Princeton University

Afghan Language Aptitude Battery

Department of Defense (April 1, 2011 – August 17, 2011) [Contract terminated]

Role: Co-Principal Investigator

PI: Michael Bunting, University of Maryland

The Role of Epistemological Beliefs and Cognitive Processing on Engineering Students' Ability to Solve Ambiguous Problems

National Science Foundation (August 1, 2009 – July 31, 2012)

Role: Statistics Consultant

PI: Elliot Douglas, University of Florida

Peer Effects on Neural and Behavioral Markers of Risk-taking in Adolescents

National Institutes of Health (September 1, 2006 – September 1, 2009)

Role: Statistics Consultant

PI: Laurence Steinberg, Temple University

Neural Substrates of Emotion-Cognition Interactions

National Institutes of Health (September 1, 2003 – September 1, 2006)

Role: Co-Principal Investigator with Jeremy Gray, Yale University and Todd Braver, Washington University in St. Louis

A Test of Flashbulb Memory: Tuesday, September 11, 2001

National Science Foundation (September 18, 2001 – September 18, 2003)

Role: Principal Investigator

Teaching Experience

Course	University	# of semesters taught
Undergraduate Statistics	UIC	5
	Princeton	15
Undergraduate Advanced Statistics	Princeton	3
Undergraduate Research Methods	USC	1
Undergraduate Cognitive Psychology	UIC	3
	NMSU	1
Undergraduate Lab in Cognition	UIC	2
Graduate Statistics (Univariate)	UIC	6
	Princeton	11
	CGU	6
	NMSU	1
Graduate Statistics (Multivariate)	UIC	5
	Princeton	5
Graduate Seminar, Advanced Statistics	UIC	2
	Princeton	2
	CGU	6
Graduate Seminar, Cognition	CGU	3
	NMSU	1
Graduate Seminar, Working Memory	UIC	3
Graduate Seminar, Intelligence	CGU	2
Online Course	Platform	Semester (Start/Final Enrollment)
Statistics One	Coursera	Fall 12 (81,170 / 3,000)
Statistics One	Coursera	Fall 13 (144,950 / 4,500)

Graduate Student Advisees (Primary)

1. Michael Bunting, 1997 – 2003, Director of Research Development for National Security, George Mason University
2. Rebecca Schrader, 1999 – 2002, Terminal M.A.
3. Timothy Miura, 2001 – 2005, Instructor, University of Loyola Chicago (deceased)
4. Gregory Colflesh, 2001 – 2009, Research Scientist, The University of Maryland, Center for the Advanced Study of Language (CASL)
5. Adam Moore, 2006 – 2011, Senior Lecturer, The University of Edinburgh
6. Brooke Macnamara, 2008 – 2014, Associate Professor, Purdue University
7. Michael Chow, 2011 – 2016, Software Engineer, R Studio
8. Tasha Holden, 2012 – 2018, Assistant Professor, University of Illinois
9. Jean-paul Snijder, 2015 – 2021, Post-doc, Heidelberg University
10. Ester Navarro Garcia, 2016 – 2021, Assistant Professor, St. John’s University
11. Kevin Rosales, 2016 – 2023, Assistant Professor, Cal State San Bernardino
12. Han Hao, 2017 – 2022, Assistant Professor, Tarleton State University
13. Sara Goring, 2018 – 2023, Post-doc, Tufts University
14. Dawn Moore, 2020 – 2023, Post-doc & Instructor, New Mexico State University
15. Christopher Schmank, 2017 – 2024, Visiting Instructor, St. Louis University
16. Rain Simons, 2019 – present, Graduate student, NMSU

17. Manali Pathare, 2021 – present, Graduate student, NMSU
18. Kacie Bauer, 2021 – present, Graduate student, NMSU
19. Nathaniel Davis, 2024 – present, Graduate student, NMSU

University Service (New Mexico State University)

Department Head of Psychology (2022 – present)
University Diversity Council (2023 – 2025)
Arts & Sciences Equity, Inclusion, & Diversity Committee, Chair (2023 – 2025)

University Service (Claremont Graduate University)

Associate Provost for Research (2017 – 2020)
Chair of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) (2015 – 2020)
Strategic Planning Committee (2017 – 2020)
Strategic Partnership Committee (2019 – 2020)
Psychology Department, Cognitive Division, Chair (Spring 2017, Spring 2019, Spring 2021)
Commencement Committee (2017 – 2020)
Committee on Academic Integrity (2021 – 2022)

University Service (Princeton)

Statistics consultant for the Department of Psychology (2004 – 2015)
New building planning committee (2009 – 2012)
Undergraduate curriculum committee (2010 – 2012)
Freshman Scholars Institute (FSI), Instructor (2012, Summer)
Organizer of weekly “coglunch” series (2012, Spring; 2015; Spring)
Faculty committee on online courses (2012 – 2014)
Faculty advisor, Princeton Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (PSURE, 2014)

University Service (University of Illinois Chicago)

Computer facilities and data management (Committee Chair, 1997 – 2004)
Departmental Internal Review Board (IRB) for the protection of human subjects (2003 – 2004)
Department faculty hiring priorities committee (2002 – 2004)
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Faculty Senate (2003 – 2004)
Faculty sponsor for local chapter of American Psychological Society (1998 – 2004)
Faculty sponsor for local chapter of Golden Key International Honour Society (1999 – 2004)
Honor’s College fellow (mentor undergraduates) (1999 – 2004)
Faculty search committee member (1997 – 98, 99 – 00, 00 – 01)
Organizer of the weekly cognitive “brownbag” series (1997 – 1999, 2003 – 2004)

Other Service

Variation in Working Memory, Conference Chair (2003)

MPA Program Committee (2003 – 2006)
APA Division 3, Convention Program Chair (2004)
International Society for Intelligence Research, Symposium Organizer (2010)
Psychonomic Society Program Committee Chair (2013)
Psychonomic Society Convention Manager (2012 – 2016)
SARMAC Publications Committee (2017 – 2021)

Professional Affiliations

Fellow of the Psychonomic Society
Fellow of the Association for Psychological Science (APS)
Member of the International Society for Intelligence Research (ISIR)
Member of the Society for Applied Research in Memory and Cognition (SARMAC)
Member of the Council of Graduate Departments of Psychology (COGDOP)

Honors & Awards

UIC Nominee for USA Professor of the Year, 2001

Sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching
Excellence in Teaching Award, 2000

Awarded by the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (UIC)

Teaching Recognition Program Award, 1999

Awarded by the Council for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (UIC)

The Silver Circle Teaching Award, 1999

Awarded by the graduating class (UIC)

Department Head of the Year, 2025

New Mexico State University, College of Arts & Sciences

Outstanding Graduate Teaching of Psychology as a Core STEM Discipline Award, 2025

American Psychological Association, Board of Educational Affairs

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