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## Employment

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<b>Associate Professor</b> , Boise State University Department of Psychological Science	<b>August 2021 – present</b>
<b>Assistant Professor</b> , Boise State University Department of Psychological Science	<b>August 2015 – August 2021</b>
<b>Postdoctoral Scholar</b> , University of California, Davis Department of Human Ecology; <i>Family Research Group</i>	<b>August 2014 – June 2015</b>
<b>Graduate Student Researcher</b> , University of California, Davis Department of Human Ecology; <i>Family Research Group</i>	<b>January 2010 – June 2014</b>

## Education

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<b><u>Doctor of Philosophy</u></b> in Human Development (University of California, Davis) “ <i>Economic Hardship and Romantic Relationship Functioning Within and Across Generations</i> ” <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Committee: Rand D. Conger, Katherine J. Conger, Monica J. Martin, Emilio Ferrer, &amp; Frederick O. Lorenz</li></ul>	<b>June 2014</b>
<b><u>Master of Science</u></b> in Child Development (University of California, Davis) “ <i>Romantic Relationships in Early Adulthood: Influences of Family, Personality, and Relationship Cognitions</i> ” <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Committee: Rand D. Conger, Katherine J. Conger, &amp; Katherine E. Masyn</li></ul>	<b>June 2011</b>
<b><u>Bachelor of Science</u></b> in Psychology (Boise State University)	<b>December 2007</b>

## Research Interests

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• life course development • coping with stress • resilience • refugee resettlement and immigration • romantic relationships • parent-child relationships • intergenerational transmission of behavior in families • transitions to adulthood • educational pathways • individual differences

## Teaching at Boise State University

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<i>Adolescent &amp; Adult Development</i>	2023 – present
<i>Child Development</i>	2015 – present

Children & Families: Multicultural Perspectives	2015 – present
Psychology Teaching Assistant Training	2015 – present
Directed Research in Psychology	2015 – present
Research Methods	2015 – 2017

## Publications

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- Masarik, A. S.** & Martin, M. J. (in press). Financial strain and family relationships. In N. Overall, J. Simpson, & J. Lavner (Eds.), *Research Handbook on Couple and Family Relationships*. Edward Elgar Publishing.
- Masarik, A. S.**, Fritz, H., & Lazarevic, V. (2022). Stress and resilience among resettling refugee youth: An illustrative review and new applications for the family stress model. *Journal of Family Theory and Review*, 14(2), 207-232. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jftr.12454>
- Conger, R. D., Martin, M. J., & **Masarik, A. S.** (2021). Dynamic associations among socioeconomic status (SES), parenting investments, and conscientiousness across time and generations. *Developmental Psychology*, 57(2), 147-163. <https://psycnet.apa.org/doi/10.1037/dev0000463>
- Masarik, A. S.**, & Rogers, C. R. (2020). Sibling warmth moderates the intergenerational transmission of romantic relationship hostility. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 82(5), 1431-1443. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jomf.12654>
- Stocker, C. M., **Masarik, A. S.**, Widaman, K. F., Reeb, B. T., Boardman, J. D., Smolen, A., Neppl, T. K., & Conger, K. J. (2017). Parenting and adolescents' psychological adjustment: Longitudinal moderation by adolescents' genetic sensitivity. *Development and Psychopathology*, 29(4), 1289-1304. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0954579416001310>
- Masarik, A. S.** & Conger, R. D. (2017). Stress and child development: A review of the Family Stress Model. *Current Opinion in Psychology*, 13, 85-90. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.copsyc.2016.05.008>
- Masarik, A. S.**, Martin, M. J., Ferrer, E., Lorenz, F. O., Conger, K. J., & Conger, R. D. (2016) Couple resilience to economic pressure over time and across generations. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 78(2), 326-345. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jomf.12284>
- Martin, M. J., Conger, R. D., Sitnick, S. L., Forbes, E. E., **Masarik, A. S.**, & Shaw, D. S. (2015). Reducing risk for substance use by economically disadvantaged young men: Positive family environments and pathways to educational attainment. *Child Development*, 86(6) 1719-1737. <https://doi.org/10.1111/cdev.12413>
- Conger, R. D., Martin, M. J., **Masarik, A. S.**, Widaman, K. F., & Donnellan, M. B. (2015). Social and economic antecedents and consequences of adolescent aggressive personality: Predictions from the Interactionist Model. *Development and Psychopathology*, 27, 1111-1127. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0954579415000711>
- Martin, M. J., Blozis, S. A., Boeninger, D. K., **Masarik, A. S.**, & Conger, R. D. (2014). The timing of entry into adult roles and changes in trajectories of problem behavior during the transition to adulthood. *Developmental Psychology*, 50(11), 2473-2484. <https://doi.org/10.1037/a0037950>
- Masarik, A. S.**, Conger, R. D., Donnellan, M. B., Stallings, M. C., Martin, M. J., Schofield, T. J., Neppl, T. K., Scaramella, L. V., Smolen, A., & Widaman, K. F. (2014). For better and for worse: Genes and parenting interact to predict future behavior in romantic relationships. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 28(3), 357-367. <https://doi.org/10.1037/a0036818>
- Masarik, A. S.**, Conger, R. D., Martin, M. J., Donnellan, M. B., Masyn, K. E., & Lorenz, F. O. (2013). Romantic relationships in early adulthood: Influences of family, personality, and relationship cognitions. *Personal Relationships*, 20(2), 356-373. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1475-6811.2012.01416.x>

## Manuscripts in Revision

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Doyon, K., **Masarik, A. S.**, Snopkowski, K., Bigger, S., Bisoka, W., Rosa, W. E., Temkin-Martinez, M. (revise and resubmit). Culturally humble palliative care for patients with refugee backgrounds. *American Journal of Nursing*.

**Masarik, A. S.** & Rogers, C. R. (revise and resubmit). Behavioral pathways from adolescent sibling relationships to adult romantic relationships. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*.

## Manuscripts in Progress

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Le, K., Donnellan, M. B., **Masarik, A. S.**, Stallings, M., Schofield, T. J., & Conger, R. D. (in progress). Taking a developmental view of the Big Five correlates of adult political orientation.

Cruz, R., **Masarik, A. S.**, Sutin, A., & Robins, R. (in progress). Reciprocal associations between ethnic discrimination and mental health problems: Findings from an 11-year longitudinal study of Mexican-origin adults.

**Masarik, A. S.**, Abellera, C., & Kamulete, S. (in progress). Experiences of refugee college students in the United States: Obstacles and supports in a predominantly white institution.

## Grant Sponsored Research Activity (Funded)

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### 3) **Spencer Foundation** (Small Grant Program)

*“Educational Outcomes for African Refugee Youth: A Longitudinal Study of Stress and Protective Factors”*

- Budget: \$50,000 (grant period: 2020 – 2026)
- Principal Investigator: **April S. Masarik**; Co-Principal Investigators: Kristin Snopkowski & Kathryn Demps

### 2) **Osher Lifelong Learning Institute** (Faculty Grant Program)

*“Educational Outcomes for Refugee Youth in Boise: Sources of Stress and Resilience”*

- Budget: \$5,000 (grant period: 2017 – 2018)
- Principal Investigator: **April S. Masarik**; Co-Principal Investigators: Kristin Snopkowski & Kathryn Demps

### 1) **National Science Foundation** (WIDER PERSIST Program)

*“Creating Stronger Psychology Students Through the Adoption of EBIPs in Large Enrollment and Research-Focused Classes”*

- Budget: \$55,780 (grant period: 2016 – 2017)
- Principal Investigators: Jennifer Weaver & Teresa Taylor; Co-Principal Investigator: Cynthia Campbell
- Faculty in Supportive Roles: **April S. Masarik**, Brian Stone, Kimberly Henderson, Kimberly Hardy, & Matt Genuchi

## Awards, Fellowships, and Recognitions

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<b>Top Ten Scholar, Honored Faculty</b> (Boise State University)	2019
<b>Golden Apple Award, Honorable Mention</b> (Boise State University)	2019
<b>Early Career Teaching Scholar</b> (Boise State University)	2017 – 2018
<b>Golden Apple Award, Nominee</b> (Boise State University)	2017
<b>Service Learning Faculty Fellow</b> (Boise State University)	Fall 2017
<b>Faculty International Development Award</b> (Boise State University)	2016
<b>Graduate Studies Travel Award</b> (University of California, Davis)	2014
<b>Human Development Travel Award</b> (University of California, Davis)	2010, 2012, 2013, 2014
<b>Emmy Werner &amp; Stanley Jacobsen Fellowship</b> (University of California, Davis)	2013
<b>Human Development Research Award</b> (University of California, Davis)	2013
<b>Center for Poverty Research Summer Fellowship</b> (University of California, Davis)	2012
<b>Henry A. Jastro Shields Research Award</b> (University of California, Davis)	2012, 2011, 2009
<b>Child Development Award</b> (University of California, Davis)	2009
<b>Non-Resident Tuition Fellowship</b> (University of California, Davis)	2008-2009
<b>Student Leadership Award Nominee</b> (Boise State University)	2007
<b>Gem Full Tuition Scholarship Award</b> (Boise State University)	2003-2007

## Conference Presentations (First-Author)

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- 20) **Masarik, A. S.**, Snopkowski, K., Demps, K., & Mwangi, S. (April 15, 2023). Parent-adolescent conflict and cortisol patterns among African refugees in the Northwest United States. In Z. E. Taylor (Chair), *Challenges and Flourishing in Migrant and Refugee Adolescents in the Mid-and Northwest United States* to be presented at the *Society for Research on Adolescence Conference* (San Diego, CA).
- 19) **Masarik, A. S.**, Mwangi, S., Doyon, K., Snopkowski, K., & Temkin-Martinez, M. (February 22, 2023). Collaborative research in the community: Building trusting relationships. Workshop presented at the *Idaho Conference on Refugees* (Boise, ID).
- 18) **Masarik, A. S.**, Hernandez, M., Mercado, E., & Merrin, G. (April 7, 2021). *Attention early scholars: How to thrive professionally in interdisciplinary research, and personally as a human*. In C. R. Rogers (Chair), Student and Early Career Council Conversation Hour Series at the *Society for Research on Child Development Conference* (virtual).
- 17) **Masarik, A. S.**, Snopkowski, K., Demps, K., & Mwangi, S. (March 12, 2021). Beyond the individual: Community factors that influence resettlement of African refugee adolescents in the United States. Poster presented

at the *Society for Research in Adolescence Biennial Meeting* (virtual).

- 16) **Masarik, A. S.**, & Snopkowski, K. (November 20, 2019). Educational success among African refugee adolescents: Family and school influences. Poster presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference* in Ft. Worth, TX.
- 15) **Masarik, A. S.** (April 27, 2018). Fostering positive classroom climates in large and small enrollment courses. Poster presented at the *Boise State Teaching Scholars Poster Session* at Boise State University.
- 14) **Masarik, A. S.** & Conger, R. D. (March 3, 2018). Intergenerational transmission of romantic relationship hostility: Negative emotionality and self-worth as mediators. Paper presented (in symposium) at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention* in Atlanta, GA.
- 13) **Masarik, A. S.**, Rogers, C. R., & Conger, K. J. (November 16, 2017). Sibling support moderates couple hostility across generations. Paper presented (as part of symposium) at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference* in Orlando, FL.
- 12) **Masarik, A. S.**, Abellera, C., Holdiman, A., Knudson, A., & Mack, A. (November 18, 2017). Refugee stress and resilience: Application of the Family Stress Model. Poster presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference* in Orlando, FL.
- 11) **Masarik, A. S.**, Rogers, C. R., & Conger, K. J. (April 6, 2017). Sister sister! Brother brother! Sibling warmth moderates the intergenerational transmission of romantic relationship hostility. Poster presented at the *Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting* in Austin, TX.
- 10) **Masarik, A. S.** (November 12, 2015). Mechanisms of intergenerational continuity in hostile romantic relationships. Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference* in Vancouver, BC.
- 9) **Masarik, A. S.**, Conger, R. D., Donnellan, M. B., Stallings, M. C., Martin, M. J., Schofield, T. J., Neppl, T. K., Scaramella, L. V., Smolen, A., & Widaman, K. F. (October 10, 2014). For better and for worse: Genes and parenting interact to predict future behavior in romantic relationships. Paper co-presented with Rand D. Conger at the *Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences Conference* at the University of Colorado's Institute of Behavioral Science in Boulder, CO.
- 8) **Masarik, A. S.**, Conger, R. D., Martin, M. J., & Ferrer, E. (May 28, 2014). Intergenerational transmission of risk and resilience to economic pressure. Paper presented at the *Society for Prevention Research Annual Meeting* in Washington, D. C.
- 7) **Masarik, A. S.**, Martin, M. J., Conger, R. D., & Ferrer, E. (May 31, 2013). Long-term consequences of economic hardship on romantic relationships. Invited poster presented at the *Poverty and the Long Term Effects of Early Life Experiences Conference* (Center for Poverty Research: University of California, Davis).
- 6) **Masarik, A. S.**, Martin, M. J., Conger, R. D., & Ferrer, E. (May 30, 2013). Economic pressure and romantic relationship functioning within and across generations: Effective problem solving skills as a source of resilience. Paper presented at the *Society for Prevention Research Annual Meeting* in San Francisco, CA.
- 5) **Masarik, A. S.**, Martin, M. J., Conger, R. D., & Ferrer, E. (April 18, 2013). Intergenerational transmission of couple resilience to economic pressure. Poster presented at the *Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting* in Seattle, WA.
- 4) **Masarik, A. S.**, Conger, R. D., & Widaman, K. F. (April 5, 2013). Cumulative genetic plasticity, parenting, and romantic relationships: Evidence for differential susceptibility. Paper presented at the *UC Davis Interdisciplinary Graduate and Professional Symposium* in Davis, CA.
- 3) **Masarik, A. S.**, Martin, M. J., & Ferrer, E. (November 1, 2012). Economic pressure and romantic relationship functioning: The moderating role of problem solving. Poster presented in a poster symposium at the

National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference in Phoenix, AZ.

- 2) **Masarik, A. S.**, Conger, R. D., Martin, M. J., Donnellan, M. B., Masyn, K. E., & Lorenz, F. O. (March 10, 2012). Romantic relationships in early adulthood: Influences of family, personality, and relationship cognitions from adolescence. Paper presented at the *Society for Research in Adolescence* Biennial Meeting in Vancouver, BC.
- 1) **\*Sanders, A. N.**, Conger, R. D., & Martin, M. J. (March 13, 2010). Predicting the quality of romantic unions in early adulthood: Family of origin, personality, and relationship cognitions. Poster presented at the *Society for Research in Adolescence* Biennial Meeting in Philadelphia, PA.

\*Sanders = former last name.

## Student Presentations (Co-Authored)

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- 25) \*Zahid, R., \*Kamulete, S., & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 8, 2021). Stories of stress and resilience from refugee fathers during resettlement: Implications for child development. Poster presented at the *Society for Research in Child Development* Biennial Meeting (virtual).
- 24) \*Fritz, H., **Masarik, A. S.**, & Rogers, C. R. (November 11, 2020). Behavioral pathways from sibling relationship in adolescence to romantic partnerships in adulthood. Poster presented at the *National Council on Family Relations* Annual Conference (virtual).
- 23) \*Fritz, H. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 17, 2020). An illustrative review of factors that foster resilience among refugee populations. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Showcase* (virtual).
- 22) \*Zahid, R. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 24, 2020). Stressors and supports that affect refugee fathers' parenting and their children's development. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Showcase* (virtual).
- 21) \*Kamulete, S., \*Bisoka, G., & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 24, 2020). The influence of the Multilingual Student Alliance on sense of belonging and educational success among refugee-background students. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Showcase* (virtual).
- 20) \*Fritz, H. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 18, 2020). An illustrative review of factors that promote resilience among refugee populations. Poster to be presented at the *Rocky Mountain Psychological Association* Conference in Denver, CO. (accepted, but conferenced canceled due to COVID-19).
- 19) \*Keeton III, A., **Masarik, A. S.**, Sutin, A., & Robins, R. E. (October 13, 2019). Perceived ethnic discrimination, mental health, and coping among Mexican-American adults: Exploring gender differences. Poster presented at the *Society for Study in Human Development* Annual Conference in Portland, OR.
- 18) \*Keeton III, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 15, 2019). Discrimination, mental health, and coping among Mexican-American adults: Exploring gender differences. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 17) \*Kanneberger, E. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 15, 2019). The association between mental health and olfactory function. Paper presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 16) \*Abellera, C., \*Kamulete, S., & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 15, 2019). Educational barriers and resources for university refugee-background students. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 15) \*Holdiman, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 16, 2018). Strength or strain: A discussion on the impacts of child language brokering. Paper presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.

- 14) \*Pedersen, J. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 16, 2018). Resilience among refugees: Context, culture, and community. Paper presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 13) \*Moore, C. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 16, 2018). Protective factors that promote resilience among refugees. Paper presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 12) \*Beers, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 16, 2018). An illustrative review of expressive therapies for refugee populations. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 11) \*Petersen, J. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 16, 2018). Characteristics of LGBT allies and opponents. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 10) \*Abellera, C. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 14, 2018). Cortisol variations and mental health consequences of war-related trauma: An illustrative review. Paper presented at the *Rocky Mountain Psychological Association Annual Convention* in Denver, CO.
- 9) \*Beers, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 14, 2018). An illustrative review of expressive therapies for refugee populations. Poster presented at the *Rocky Mountain Psychological Association Annual Convention* in Denver, CO.
- 8) \*Petersen, J. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 16, 2018). Characteristics of LGBT allies and opponents. Poster presented at the *Rocky Mountain Psychological Association Annual Convention* in Denver, CO.
- 7) \*Holdiman, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (October 21, 2017). Refugee parenting and language: An analysis using the Family Stress Model. Poster presented at the *Western Conference on Linguistics* in Boise, ID.
- 6) \*Abellera, C. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 17, 2017). Neuroendocrinology and mental health consequences of war-related trauma: An illustrative review. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 5) \*Knudson, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 17, 2017). Extracurriculars and refugee youth adjustment in schools: An illustrative review. Poster presented at the *Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 4) \*Mack, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 17, 2017). Stress and mental health of refugees: An illustrative review. Paper presented at the *Boise State University Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 3) \*Holdiman, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 17, 2017). Resettlement stress and family functioning in refugees: An illustrative review. Paper presented at the *Boise State University Undergraduate Research Conference* in Boise, ID.
- 2) \*Holdiman, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 8, 2017). Resettlement stress and family functioning in refugees: An illustrative review. Paper presented at the *Rocky Mountain Psychological Association Annual Convention* in Salt Lake City, UT.
- 1) \*Knudson, A. & **Masarik, A. S.** (April 7, 2017). Extracurriculars and refugee youth adjustment in schools: An illustrative review. Poster presented at the *Rocky Mountain Psychological Association Annual Convention* in Salt Lake City, UT.

## Invited Presentations

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### **"Fostering Healthy Intergenerational Relationships"**

- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Boise State University

**May 20, 2024**

<b>“Stress and Resilience”</b>	April 24, 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Psychology Research Forum, Northwest Nazarene University,</li> </ul>	
<b>“It’s All About Community in Research (on Resilience)”</b>	October 21, 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College of Health Sciences, Boise State University,</li> </ul>	
<b>“Mapping the Intergenerational Transmission of Romantic Relationship Behaviors”</b>	March 4, 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of Human Development &amp; Family Science, Texas Tech University</li> </ul>	
<b>“Educational Resources and Barriers for Students with a Refugee Background”</b>	May 23, 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Rescue Committee (Boise, ID)</li> </ul>	
<b>“Educational Resources and Barriers for Students with a Refugee Background”</b>	May 3, 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Honors College, Boise State University</li> </ul>	
<b>“Psi Chi Induction Ceremony: My Hopes for You”</b>	April 18, 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Psi Chi International Honors Society, Boise State University</li> </ul>	
<b>“12 Jours (12 Days)”</b>	January 25, 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of World Languages, French Film Festival, Boise State University</li> </ul>	
<b>“Stress and Resilience: A Short Course Lecture Series”</b>	May 9, 16, & 23, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Boise State University</li> </ul>	
<b>“Educational Outcomes for Refugee Youth in Boise: Sources of Stress and Resilience”</b>	April 14, 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of Anthropology, Friends of Anthropology Series, Boise State University,</li> </ul>	

## Other Teaching Experience

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<b>Lecturer (University of California, Davis)</b>	June 2014 – August 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Department</u>: Human Ecology</li> <li><u>Course</u>: <i>Research Methods</i></li> </ul>	
<b>Graduate Student Teaching Assistant (University of California, Davis)</b>	March 2009 – June 2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Department</u>: Human Ecology</li> <li><u>Courses</u>: <i>Interaction with Young Children; Human Sexuality; Field Study with Children and Adolescents; Social and Personality Development; Individual Differences in Cognition; Child Development; Research Methods</i></li> </ul>	

## Mentoring Students in Research and Teaching at Boise State University

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### Undergraduate Research Assistants (n = 22)

- Janet Appleby; Peter Simon; Patrick Barga; Katie Seide; Camille Ivins; Ryan Finley; Anna Holdiman; Amber Mack; Alex Knudson; Courtney Moore; Jonnie Pedersen; Justin Petersen; Alex Beers; Archie Keeton III; Shukuru Kamulete; Jennafer Naifeh; Eva Kanneberger; Hailey Fritz; Georgette Bisoka; Rabia Zahid; Emily Yuruki

### Undergraduate Teaching Assistants (n = 49)



- Thomas Gonzalez; Nina Fillmore; Ashley Pyell; Abby Filicetti; Rebekah Archuleta; Devon Murphy; Alexandria Packard; Sara Higley; Katie McMillan; Katie Broderius; Ashley Williams; Katie Harrup; Ashley Compton; Alex Beers; Nadamayi Shanti; Heather Campbell; Kyle Young; Michael Wallace; Lindsey Spears; Derek Bohm; Sarraye Forrest Davis; Tera York; Kayla Roberts; Lindsey Hobbs; Tanner Nelson; Sidney Helsten; Hailey Fritz; Jamie Grecco; Stephanie Balmer; Jessica Baird; Jennafer Naifeh; Hristina Marinova; Kaitlyn Rogers; Samantha Mendez; Richard Keyes; Chris Palasch; Idee Medrano; Bailey Wilkinson; Mariem Laaraj; Brooke Foote; Belle Hodgert; Andrew Belarski; Paige Peterson; Rabia Zahid; Quentin Cruz-Boyer; Nicole Fenton; Jakob Flores; Autumn Dunn; Caley Lynch

#### **McNair Scholars Program Faculty Mentor (n = 3)**

- Cierra Abellera; Rabia Zahid; Sailor Nelson

#### **Honors Students (n = 4)**

- Juni Foo; Elena Gardner; Nicole Westphal; Ashley Jernigan

#### **Master's Thesis Committee Member (n = 1)**

- Julia Broderick (Dept. of Communication)

#### **Graduate Faculty Representative – Doctoral Dissertation Committee (n = 1)**

- Molly Moran (Dept. of Counselor Education)

### **Service Activity**

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<b>Research Colloquium Committee</b> – Department of Psychological Science	<b>2023 – present</b>
<b>Assessment Committee</b> – Department of Psychological Science	<b>2023 – present</b>
<b>Personnel Committee</b> – Department of Psychological Science	<b>2021 - present</b>
<b>Refugee Collaboration Committee</b> – Boise State University	<b>2017 – present</b>
<b>Editorial Board</b> – <i>Journal of Youth and Adolescence</i>	<b>2014 – present</b>
<b>Ad-hoc Reviewer</b> <i>Sexuality and Culture</i> <i>Journal of Youth and Adolescence</i> <i>Journal of Early Adolescence</i> <i>Personal Relationships</i> <i>Journal of Marriage and Family</i> <i>Journal of International Psychology</i>	<b>2012 – present</b>
<b>Starling Project Mentor</b> – Jannus Inc. Economic Opportunity (Boise, ID)	<b>2020 – 2021</b>
<b>Board Member</b> – Tidwell Social Work Services & Consulting, Inc. (Boise, ID)	<b>2017 – 2022</b>
<b>Expert Witness</b> – Immigration Court (Boise, ID)	<b>2017 – 2020</b>
<b>Graduate Program Development Committee</b> – Dept. of Psychological Science	<b>2017 – 2019</b>
<b>Faculty Search Committee</b> – Department of Psychological Science	<b>Spring 2019</b>
<b>“Beloved Community” Facilitator (MLK Jr. Living Legacy)</b> – Boise State University	<b>January 24, 2018</b>
<b>Faculty Search Committee</b> – Department of Psychological Science	<b>Fall 2017</b>

**Social Media Committee** – Department of Psychological Science 2017 – 2019

**Honors and Awards Committee** – College of Arts & Sciences 2016 – 2017

**Service-Learning Community Partners at Boise State University (PSYC 419)** 2016 – 2019

[International Rescue Committee, Boise](#)

[Agency for New Americans](#)

[NeighborWorks Boise](#)

[Boise School District](#)

[West Ada School District](#)

[Girls Scouts of Silver Sage Council](#)

[Boise Parks and Recreation After School Programs \(Kid City\)](#)

[Book it Forward](#)

[English Language Center](#)

[YMCA, Caldwell](#)

[Community Council of Idaho](#)

[Learning Lab](#)

**Academic Ambassador, Admissions Program** – Boise State University 2015 – 2020

## Professional Development

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### Center for Teaching and Learning Workshops/Courses (Boise State University)

Supporting First-Generation Students

March 25 – 29, 2022

The Relationship-Rich Classroom

September 22, 2023

Teaching Students Teamwork Skills

May 10, 2023

Understanding the Student Experience: Supporting Students with Disabilities

March 15, 2023

Building Inclusive Learning Communities

August, 2020

How Do I Keep Students Engaged Online?

July 7, 2020

Teaching First Generation College Students: Strategies & Supports

June 1, 2020

Great Ideas for Teaching and Learning Symposium

January 7, 2020

Introduction to LGBTQIA+ Identities

July 30, 2019

Supporting the LGBTQIA+ Community

July 30, 2019

An Introduction to Effective Course Design

November 2, 2018

Working Toward More Equitable Team Dynamics

October 24, 2018

Strategies for Engagement in Large Enrollment Courses

September 28, 2018

Just in Time Teaching

February 21, 2018

Inclusive Excellence at Boise State University

January 17, 2018

Leveraging Learning Assistants

December 15, 2016

Hot Moments and Difficult Discussions

September 23, 2016

Integrating Global Engagement into Your Course

March 10, 2016

Mid-semester Assessment Process (MAP) for Child Development

October 15, 2015

Flipping Your Classroom: Tools, Tips, Techniques, & Strategies

September 28, 2015

### 14 Day Writing Challenge

National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity

April 24 – May 7, 2023

June 5 – 19, 2023

### Idaho Conference on Refugees: “Connections”

Idaho Office for Refugees

February 22 – 23, 2023

### Write to Change the World

The Op-Ed Project

Dec. 14 – 15, 2022

### Qualitative Friendly Mixed Methods Workshop

American Psychological Association

September 22, 2022

<b>Idaho Conference on Refugees: “Belonging Begins with Us”</b> Idaho Office for Refugees	<b>Feb. 28 – Mar. 1, 2022</b>
<b>Idaho Conference on Refugees: “Onward”</b> Idaho Office for Refugees	<b>March 9, 2021</b>
<b>BUILD (Boise State Uniting for Inclusion and Leadership in Diversity) Certificate</b> Boise State University	<b>June 1, 2020</b>
<b>Idaho Conference on Refugees: “Still We Rise”</b> Idaho Office for Refugees	<b>February 3-4, 2020</b>
<b>Idaho Conference on Refugees: “You are Welcome Here”</b> Idaho Office for Refugees	<b>February 4-5, 2019</b>
<b>Ten Before Tenure Certificate</b> Center for Teaching and Learning, Boise State University	<b>January, 2019</b>
<b>Idaho Conference on Refugees: “Resilience”</b> Idaho Office for Refugees	<b>February 6-7, 2017</b>
<b>Refugee Resettlement Teach-In</b> Agency for New Americans & International Rescue Committee	<b>January 3, 2017</b>
<b>Idaho Conference on Refugees: “Stronger Together”</b> Idaho Office for Refugees	<b>February 8-9, 2016</b>
<b>Annual Conference on the Teaching of Psychology</b> Society for Teaching Psychology (Atlanta, Georgia)	<b>October 21 – 22, 2016</b>
<b>International Workshop on Statistical Genetic Methods for Human Complex Traits</b> Institute for Behavioral Genetics (University of Colorado, Boulder)	<b>March 4 – 8, 2013</b>
<b>Writing in the Sciences</b> Course provided by Stanford University through Coursera, Inc.	<b>September 24 – November 18, 2012</b>
<b>Center for Poverty Research Seminar</b> Center for Poverty Research (University of California, Davis)	<b>September 23 – 25, 2012</b>

## Media Appearances

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[Psychologist, District Officials weight in on teen depression in wake of recent suicides at BSD](#) (Idaho Press)  
December 9, 2023

[Masarik Publishes Article on Resiliency Among Resettling Refugee Youth](#) (Boise State news)  
May 24, 2022

[Psych Sessions: Convos About Teaching N’ Stuff](#) (podcast interview)  
May 27, 2021

[Masarik Finds that Degrees of Sibling Warmth Affects Future Romantic Relationship Hostility](#) (Boise State news)  
October 2, 2020

[Psych Sessions: Convos About Teaching N’ Stuff](#) (podcast interview)  
December 24, 2019

[Social Work Student Paves the Path for Fellow Refugees](#) (Boise State news)

October 22, 2019

[How Does Psychological Stress Affect Refugees? Boise State Researchers Answer](#) (radio interview)

October 16, 2019

[Interdisciplinary Research Team will Study Stress and Resiliency in Local Refugee Students](#) (Boise State news)

September 19, 2019

[Boise State in the Community](#) (student project, video interview)

March 9, 2019

[Service Learning Isn't Just a Curriculum](#) (Boise State news)

January 26, 2019

[Boise State Celebrates French Film and Marks Black History Month...](#) (Boise State news)

January 23, 2019

[Refugees Recovering from Stabbing After Attack in Idaho](#) (local news)

August 18, 2018

[Trauma Piles on for Refugees in the Wake of Boise Stabbings...](#) (radio interview)

July 27, 2018

[Online Dating Platforms Host Humans, Ghosts, and Catfish](#) (Boise State student newspaper)

February 9, 2016

[Experts on Romance and Relationships for Valentine's Day](#) (University of California, Davis news)

February 2, 2015

[Messages on Marriage Absorbed by Children at Home](#) (blog feature)

April 26, 2013

[Positive Family Relationships Linked to Healthy Marriages](#) (news feature)

February 11, 2013

[Positive Family Relationships Linked to Healthy Marriages](#) (news feature)

February 8, 2013

## Professional Memberships

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*American Psychological Association*

*Society for the Teaching of Psychology (APA Division 2)*

*Developmental Psychology (APA Division 7)*

*Society for Personality and Social Psychology (APA Division 8)*

*National Council on Family Relations*

*Society for Research in Child Development*

*Society for Research in Adolescence*

*Society for the Study of Human Development*