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EDUCATION

2019-2025 (expected)

University of Michigan-Ann Arbor (UM-Ann Arbor)

Doctor of Philosophy in Neuroscience (in progress)

Advisor: Dr. John Jonides

2015-2019

University of Central Arkansas (UCA)

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- **York, A. K.**, Zhang, H., Sellers, J., Lee, T. G., & Jonides, J. (2024). Physiological evidence for the time-dependent resolution of response conflicts. *Manuscript in preparation*.
- **York, A. K.**, Zhang, H., Sellers, J., Lee, T., Jonides, J. (2024). Salience Does Not Equal Capture: Evidence From Chronometry and Modeling. *Manuscript in preparation*.
- **York, A. K.**, Zhang, H., Jonides, J. (2024). Suppression of Distractors and Enhancement of Targets, But Not Both. *Manuscript in preparation*.
- Zhou, W., **York, A. K**., Zhang, H., Jonides, J. (2024). Insights into Working Memory Maintenance From Drift Diffusion Modelling in ADHD Populations. *Manuscript in preparation*.
- Zhang, H., **York, A. K**., & Jonides, J. (in press). Attentional capture by abrupt onsets: Foundations and emerging issues. Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance. https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/3n5gh
- Zhang, H., York, A. K., & Jonides, J. (2024). Less Salient, More Capture: The Curious Case of Abrupt Onsets. *Journal of Vision*, 24(10), 1296-1296.
- Mondino, A., Jadidian, A., Toth, B., Hambrecht-Wiedbusch, V. S., Floran-Garduno, L., Li, D., **York, A. K.**, Torterolo, P., Pal, D., Burgess, C., Mashour, G., & Vanini, G. (2024). Regulation of REM Sleep Onset and Homeostasis by Preoptic Glutamatergic Neurons. *bioRxiv*, 2024-10.
- Mondino, A., Hambrecht-Wiedbusch, V., Li, D., **York, A. K.**, Pal, D., González, J., Torterolo, P., Mashour, G. A., Vanini, G. (2021). Glutamatergic neurons in the preoptic hypothalamus promote wakefulness, destabilize NREM sleep, suppress REM sleep, and regulate cortical dynamics. *The Journal of Neuroscience: The Official Journal of the Society for Neuroscience*, *41*(15), 3462–3478.
- Clawson, B. C., Pickup, E. J., Ensing, A., Geneseo, L., Shaver, J., Gonzalez-Amoretti, J., Zhao, M., York, A. K., Kuhn, F. R., Swift, K., Martinez, J. D., Wang, L., Jiang, S., & Aton, S. J. (2021). Causal role for sleep-dependent reactivation of learning-activated sensory ensembles for fear memory consolidation. *Nature Communications*, *12*(1), 1200.
- Sobel, K. V., Puri, A. M., **York, A. K.** (2020). Visual search inverts the classic Stroop asymmetry. *Acta Psychologica*, 205, 103054
- Lee, K. R., Sobel, K. V., **York, A. K.**, & Puri, A. M. (2018). Dissociating parallel and serial processing of numerical value. *Journal of Numerical Cognition*, 4(2), 360-379.

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ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- **York, A. K.**, Zhang, H., Sellers, J., Lee, T., Jonides, J. (2024, November). *Salience Does Not Equal Distraction*. Poster presented at the annual Psychonomics conference, New York, NY.
- **York, A. K.**, Zhang, H., Sellers, J., Lee, T., Jonides, J. (2024, April). *Evidence of Partial Errors in Conflict Tasks*. Poster presented at the annual Midwestern Psychological Association conference, Chicago, IL.
- York, A. K., Zhang, H., Sellers, J., Lee, T., Jonides, J. (2024, April). *Physiological and Computational Insights into Conflict Tasks*. Talk presented to the Neuroscience Graduate Program (weekly seminar) at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
- **York, A. K.** (2019, April). *Strength of Association in Spatial Stroop*. Poster presented at the annual Southwestern Psychological Association conference, Albuquerque, NM.
- **York, A. K.** (2018, November). Stroop and Reverse Stroop Effects in Identification and Localization Tasks. Poster presented at the National Collegiate Honors Council Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
- **York, A. K.** (2018, April). *Stroop and Reverse Stroop Effects in Identification and Localization Tasks*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Psychological Association, Houston, TX.
- Skinner, B., **York, A. K.**, Padberg, J. (2017, November). *Organization of the retinofugal pathway in the nine-banded armadillo (Dasypus novemcinctus)*. Poster presented at the 47th annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, Washington, D.C.
- Skinner, B., **York, A. K.**, Padberg, J. (2017, October). *Organization of the retinofugal pathway in the nine banded armadillo (Dasypus novemcinctus)*. Poster presented at the Annual IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence Conference, Fayetteville, AR.
- **York, A. K.** (2017, April). *Reverse Stroop Effect in Visual Search*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Psychological Association, San Antonio, TX.
- **York, A. K.** (2017, March) *Taboo or Community? An Experience with Nudity*. Talk at Issues in the Public Square conference, Conway, AR.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

miLEAD Consulting

Spring 2022-Summer 2024

Consultant

- Engaged in strategic consulting for tech and healthcare companies, focusing on go-to market strategies for their emerging products
- Delivered comprehensive market analysis, including segmentation and risk assessments to executive level stakeholders
- Successfully executed 2 consulting projects, leading to client satisfaction and their subsequent renewal of contracts with the company

NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

York, A. K. (2022, January) *Dopamine and Serotonin: The (Not Just) Happy Chemicals*. Michigan Science Writers (http://misciwriters.com/)

York, A. K. (2021, August) *Depression: Physiology to Psychology is Rarely Simple.* Michigan Science Writers (http://misciwriters.com/)

GRANTS

Rackham Travel Grant Fall 2024

Funded by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education

Awarded \$900 to fund travel to the Psychonomics conference

Rackham Travel Grant Winter 2024

Funded by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education

Awarded \$900 to fund travel to the Midwestern Psychological Association conference

Student Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Spring-Fall 2018

Funded by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education

Awarded \$4000 for the proposal, "The Stroop and reverse Stroop effects in various conditions." from the Arkansas Department of Higher Education

Undergraduate Research Grant

Spring 2018

Funded by the Psi Chi International Honors Society

Awarded \$1,500 for the proposal, "Robustness of the reverse Stroop effect in localization tasks."

Travel Abroad Grant (TAG)

Summer 2017

Funded by the Norbert O. Schedler Honors College

Awarded \$2000 to study Spanish in Costa Rica and volunteer at an orphanage for a total of five weeks

Undergraduate Research Grant for Education (URGE)

Fall 2017

Funded by the Norbert O. Schedler Honors College

Awarded \$365 to present research at the annual meeting of Society for Neuroscience

Undergraduate Research Grant for Education (URGE)

Spring 2017

Funded by the Norbert O. Schedler Honors College

Awarded \$630 to present research at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Psychological Association

TEACHING

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2023-Present

Introduction to Cognitive Psychology

Taught weekly discussion sections over cognitive psychology topics and graded and provided feedback for 75 students

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Winter 2021

Introduction to Cognitive Science

Taught weekly discussion sections comprising different subjects from cognitive sciences and graded and provided feedback for 75 students

Pedagogical Assistant

Fall 2018

Core I: Search for the Self

Co-taught a primary literature and group discussion-based course concerning various writers and thinkers engaging with the philosophical questions of self and identity

SERVICE & OUTREACH

Property Manager (Intercooperative Council of Ann Arbor)

Fall 2023-Summer 2024

Served as a property manager for Baker House for a multi-million dollar non-profit organization

Board of Directors Member (Intercooperative Council of Ann Arbor)Served as a board representative in a multi-million dollar non-profit organization aimed at offering

affordable housing to Ann Arbor university students

Editor and Contributing Writer (MiSciWriters)

Spring 2020-Fall 2021

Served as a writer and editor for a University of Michigan publication devoted to publishing pieces detailing the latest in science to a lay audience

Scientific Communication Fellow (UM Natural History Museum)

Spring 2020

Underwent scientific communication training in preparation for presenting my dissertation research to a lay audience

RELATE Participant Summer 2020

Attended a series of scientific communication workshops. Produced a video detailing research I performed in the Aton lab intended for a lay audience

Norbert O. Schedler Honors Mentor

Fall 2016-Spring 2017

Acted as a mentor to incoming Freshmen, helping them acclimate to the university