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EDUCATION

- Florida State University** **2020 – Present**
Ph.D., Social Psychology
Master's Thesis: *Implicit Threat Evaluations and Physiological Responses to Police*
Advisor: David S. March, Ph.D.
- Lafayette College** **2020**
B. S. in Neuroscience
Honors Thesis: *Threat Processing and Implicit Evaluation of Police Officers*
Advisor: Luis Schettino, Ph.D.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Summer Institute for Social and Personality Psychology (SISPP)** **2023**
Recognition of significant research contribution in social and personality psychology
- Master's in Four Competition – 1st Place** (\$1,000) **2022**
Florida State University-wide competition for communicating research to broad audiences
- Inside the Grant Panel – Runner-up** (\$1,000) **2022**
Graduate student grant awarded by Society for Personality and Social Psychology
- Graduate Travel Award** (\$500) **2022**
Travel grant awarded by Society for Personality and Social Psychology for conference
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship – Honorable Mention** **2021**
Recognition for academic and research excellence
- Graduate Student Poster Award** (\$100) **2021**
Awarded at the annual conference for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology
- Increasing Scientific Knowledge Related to Diversity Award** (\$100) **2021**
Awarded by the Florida State University Psychology Department, Graduate Research Day
- Best Social Area Data Blitz** (\$100) **2021**
Awarded by the Florida State University Psychology Department, Graduate Research Day
- Jack Brigham Graduate Student Research Award** (\$500) **2021**
Awarded by the Florida State University Psychology Department, Social Area
- Watson Fellowship** (\$500) **2020**
Awarded by the Florida State University Graduate School
- William C. Rappolt '67 & Walter Oechsle '57 Neuroscience Prize** (\$1,000) **2020**
Awarded by Lafayette College for excellence in the neuroscience major

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Olivett, V. J. & March, D. S. (online first publication). The civilian's dilemma: Civilians exhibit automatic defensive responses to the police. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

Olivett, V. J., Maranges, H. M., & March D. S. (2023). The unique roles of threat perception and misinformation accuracy judgments in the relationship between political orientation and COVID-19 health behaviors. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*

Olivett, V. J. & March, D. S. (2021). White civilians' implicit danger evaluation of police officers underlies explicit perception of police. *Cognitive Research: Principles and Implications*.

IN PREPARATION

Olivett, V. J. & March, D. S. (in prep). The implications of threat sensitivity for anti-democratic Sentiments and support for political violence.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Olivett, V. J. & March D. S. (2024). *The civilian's dilemma: Civilians exhibit automatic defensive responses to the police*. Talk to be presented at the 2024 Society of Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.

Olivett, V. J. & March D. S. (2023). *The civilian's dilemma: Defensive bodily and behavioral responses to police*. Paper talk presented at the 95th Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Olivett, V. J. & March D. S. (2022). *Dark consequences: Ideological extremity and the possible role of threat sensitivity*. Talk presented to the Maranges Research Lab at Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC.

Olivett, V. J. & March D. S. (2022). *Implicit threat evaluations and defensive physiological responses to police*. Talk presented at the Florida State University Psychology Department Graduate Research Day, Tallahassee, FL.

Olivett, V. J. & March D. S. (2021). *Civilians' implicit threat evaluation of police officers underlies explicit perception of police*. Data Byte presented at the 2021 Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists Annual Convention, Virtual.

CONFERENCE POSTERS

Olivett, V. J. & March D. S. (2023). *Civilians evince heightened defensive physiological responses to police*. Presented at the 2023 Society of Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA.

- Gutterman, J., **Olivett, V. J.**, March, D. S. (2023). *Implications of implicit associations for affective polarization and anti-democratic sentiments*. Presented at the 2023 Society of Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA.
- Savoy, L., Gutterman, J., **Olivett, V. J.**, March, D. S. (2023). *Why do we fall for clickbait? The relationship between anger, cognition, and susceptibility to misinformation*. Presented at the 2023 Society of Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA.
- Olivett, V. J.** & March D. S. (2022). *Physiological implications of police-threat evaluations*. Presented at the 2022 Society for Affective Science Annual Convention, Virtual.
- Olivett, V. J.** & March D. S. (2022). *Civilians' implicit threat evaluation of police officers underlies explicit perception of police*. Presented at the 2022 Society of Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
- Olivett V. J.** & March, D. S. (2021) *White civilians' implicit danger evaluations of police officers underlies explicit perception of police*. Presented at the Florida State University Psychology Department Graduate Research Day, Tallahassee, FL.
- Olivett, V. J.**, Schettino, L., March, D.S. (2021). *Civilians' implicit evaluations of the police*. Presented at the 2021 Society of Personality and Social Psychology Virtual Annual Convention.
- Olivett, V. J.**, Schettino, L., March, D.S. (2020). *Civilians' implicit evaluations of the police*. Presented at the 2020 Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists Virtual Annual Convention.
- Olivett, V. J.**, Graner, J., & LaBar, K. (2019). *Functional influence of brain regions in emotion networks*. Presented at the Fall Student Research Poster Session at Lafayette College, Easton, PA.
- Olivett, V. J.** & Schettino, L. (2019). *Physiological responses to law enforcement primes*. Presented at the Spring Student Research Poster Session at Lafayette College, Easton, PA.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student

2020 – Present

The March Lab

Florida State University

PI: David S. March, Ph.D.

Research Assistant

Summer 2019

Center for Cognitive Neuroscience

Duke University

PI: Kevin LaBar, Ph.D.

Independent Study
Neuroscience Department
Lafayette College
PI: Luis Schettino, Ph.D.

Spring 2019

TEACHING AND MENTORING

COURSES

Instructor of Record **Fall 2023 – Present**
Social Psychology
Florida State University, Department of Psychology

Instructor **Fall 2021 – Spring 2023**
Physiological Psychology Laboratory
Florida State University, Department of Psychology

Teaching Assistant **Fall 2020 – Spring 2021**
Social Psychology
Florida State University, Department of Psychology

MENTEES

Maddie Stultz, undergraduate honors thesis student, APA SUPER Scholar
Sara Bouhamid, undergraduate honors thesis student
Jamie Heichelbech, undergraduate honors thesis student
Rachel Strickland, undergraduate research assistant

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) **2020-present**
Society for Southeastern Social Psychologists (SSSP) **2020-present**
Society for Affective Science **2022-present**

QUANTITATIVE TRAINING & SKILLS

- Analyses – Descriptives, t-tests, regression, ANOVA, multi-level modelling, mediation analyses, network analyses
- Software – R, SAS, MatLab, SPM fMRI
- Training in fMRI data acquisition and analysis

REFERENCES

David March, Ph.D.

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