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Employment

Assistant Professor Department of Psychology University of Pittsburgh	2024–Present
Postdoctoral Fellow Cornell University	2023–2024

Education

PhD in Psychology University of Toronto	2019–2023
MA in Psychology University of Toronto	2018–2019
BA in Social Development University of Waterloo	2012–2017

Publications

*Indicates mentored undergraduate

†Indicates equal contribution

Published or In Press

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., Skaknoon-Sparling, S., & Chasteen, A. L. (In press). Experiences of stigma among sexual minority men during the 2022 global mpox outbreak. *Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity*.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (In press). Which identities are concealable? Individual differences in concealability. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*. DOI: 10.1177/01461672231198162

Le Forestier, J. M. & Lewis, N. A. (2024). When and why people conceal their identities. *Nature Reviews Psychology*, 3, 489-498. DOI: 10.1038/s44159-024-00324-x

***Khudiakova, V.**, **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Chasteen, A. L. (2024). To mask or not to mask: The role of concealability beliefs, concealment behaviors, and community connectedness in autistic people's mental health. *Neurodiversity*. DOI: 10.1177/27546330241255121

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2024). Identity concealment may discourage health-seeking behaviors: Evidence from sexual minority men during the 2022 global mpox outbreak. *Psychological Science*, 35, 126-136. DOI: 10.1177/09567976231217416

- Le Forestier, J. M.,** *Chan, E. W., *Shephard, R., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2024). Why is concealment associated with health and wellbeing? An investigation of potential mechanisms. *Social Science & Medicine*, 344. DOI: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2023.116529
- Walton, G. M., Murphy, M. C., Logel, C., Yeager, D. S., Parker Goyer, J., Brady, S. T., Emerson, K. T. U., Panesku, D., Fotuhi, O., Blodorn, A., Boucher, K. L., Carter, E., Gopalan, M., Henderson, A., Kroeper, K. M., Murdock-Perriera, L. A., Reeves, S. L., †Ablorh, T. T., †Ansari, S., †Chen, S., †Fisher, P., †Galvan, M., †Kawakami Gilbertson, M., †Hulleman, C. S., †**Le Forestier, J. M.**, †Lok, C., †Mathias, K., †Muragishi, G. A., †Netter, M., †Ozier, E., †Smith, E. N., †Thoman, D. B., †Williams, H. E., †Wilmot, M. O., Hartzog, C., Li, X. A., & Krol, N. (2023). Where and with whom does a brief social-belonging intervention promote progress in college? *Science*. DOI: 10.1126/science.ade4420
- Le Forestier, J. M.,** Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2022). Concealment stigma: The social costs of concealing. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 101, 1-13. DOI: 10.1016/j.jesp.2022.104340
- Ekstrom, P., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Lai, C. K. (2022). Racial demographics explain the link between racial disparities in traffic stops and county-level racial attitudes. *Psychological Science*, 33, 497-509. DOI: 10.1177/09567976211053573
- Le Forestier, J. M.**, Page-Gould, E., Lai, C. K., & Chasteen, A. L. (2022). Subjective identity concealability and the consequences of fearing identity-based judgment. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 48, 445-462. DOI: 10.1177/01461672211010038
- Chasteen, A. L., Schiralli, J. E., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Erentzen, C. (2022). Age stereotypes and ageism as facets of subjective aging. In Y. Palgi, A. Shrira, & M. Diehl (Eds.), *Subjective views of aging: Theory, research, and practice*. New York NY: Springer. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-031-11073-3_13
- Logel, C., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, Witherspoon, E. B., & Fotuhi, O. (2021). A social-belonging intervention benefits higher-weight students' weight stability and academic achievement. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, 12, 1048-1057. DOI: 10.1177/1948550620959236
- Le Forestier, J. M.**, Page-Gould, E., Lai, C. K., & Chasteen, A. L. (2020). Concealability beliefs facilitate navigating intergroup contexts. *European Journal of Social Psychology*, 50, 1210-1226. DOI: 10.1002/ejsp.2681
- Chasteen, A. L., Bergstrom, V. N. Z., Schiralli, J. E., & **Le Forestier, J. M.** (2019). Age stereotypes. In D. Gu & M. E. Dupre (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of gerontology and population aging*. New York, NY: Springer. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-69892-2_584-1

Under Review or Revision

- Bartels, M., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, Hug, A., Morgenroth, T., & Roselló-Peñaloza, M. (Revise and resubmit). The effects of essentialist and social constructionist notions on perceptions of “realness” and LGBTIQ+ experiences. *Journal of Social Issues*.

Lai, C. K. & **Le Forestier, J. M.** (Revise and resubmit). A comparative investigation of interventions to reduce anti-fat prejudice across five implicit measures. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*.

Lewis, N. A. & **Le Forestier, J. M.** (Revise and resubmit). A research pipeline for fostering and evaluating diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. In V. Esses, J. Dovidio, J. Jetten, D. Sekaquaptewa, & K. West (Eds.), *The Sage Handbook of Psychological Perspectives on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion*.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (Under review). Can intergroup contact on social media reduce prejudice? Developing and testing a longitudinal intergroup contact field intervention on social media.

Le Forestier, J. M., Lassetter, B. & Neel, R. (Under review). Ingroup relevance appraisals: Structure and correlates of perceiving threats and opportunities from ingroups.

You, Z., Page-Gould, E., Thai, S., & **Le Forestier, J. M.** (Under review). The psychological boundaries of political groups.

In Preparation

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., You, Z., & Thai, S. (In prep). Multiple-group contact: Implications for prejudice reduction.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (In prep). Statistical power for a set of tests.

SCORE Collaboration. (In prep). Investigating the replicability of the social and behavioral sciences.

Presentations

**Indicates mentored undergraduate*

Invited Talks

Le Forestier, J. M. (2025). *When and why do people conceal their identities?*. To be presented at the Self & Identity preconference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Denver, CO.

Le Forestier, J. M. (2024). *Identity concealment and health behavior in multiple domains*. Toronto Metropolitan University.

Le Forestier, J. M. (2024). *The presentation of self in 21st century life*. University of Pittsburgh.

Le Forestier, J. M. (2023). *When is identity concealment a relevant self-presentation strategy?* University of Delaware.

Le Forestier, J. M. (2023). *Sexual minority men's experiences of stigma and mpox-related health behaviors during the 2022 global mpox outbreak*. University of Glasgow.

Le Forestier, J. M. (2022). *Managing and reducing stigma*. Wake Forest University.

Le Forestier, J. M. (2022). *Which identities are concealable? Individual differences in concealability*. York-University of Toronto Social-Personality-Abnormal (YUTSPA) Annual Meeting.

Chaired Symposia

Le Forestier, J. M. & You, Z. (2024). *Advancing intergroup contact research through methodological innovation in field contexts*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, California.

Conference Talks

Le Forestier, J. M. (2024). *Concealment, community connectedness, and mpox vaccination during a global outbreak*. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Palma, Pa. A., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, Skakoon-Sparling, S., Sanchez-Corte, M., Zhang, T., Gormezano, A., Dvorakova, M., Lal, A., Cox, J., Lachowsky, N., Moore D., Jollimore, J., Grace, D., & Hart, T. (2024). HIV treatment beliefs, PrEP-use, and sexual minority men's partner-seeking behavior. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2024). *Prejudice reduction through intergroup contact on social media*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, California.

You, Z., Page-Gould, E., Thai, S. & **Le Forestier, J. M.**, (2024). *Distinguishing the between- and within-person effects of intergroup contact*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, California.

*Khudiakova, V., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Chasteen, A. L. (2023). *To mask or not to mask: The role of stigma experience, concealment behaviors, and community connectedness in autistic people's mental health*. Paper presented at the Trinity College Undergraduate Research Conference, Toronto, Canada.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2023). *Which identities are concealable? Individual differences in concealability*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, Georgia.

Page-Gould, E., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, *Chan, E. W., & Chasteen, A. L. (2023). *Why does concealment undermine health and wellbeing?* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, Georgia.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2023). *Sexual orientation concealment and mpox health behavior during the 2022 global mpox outbreak*. Paper presented at the Health Preconference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, Georgia.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2023). *The perceived immorality of identity concealment*. Paper presented at the Authenticity Preconference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, Georgia.

Koyama, J., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Page-Gould, E. (2023). *United we work: Improving cooperative intentions between ideological opponents*. Paper presented at the Conflict and Conflict Resolution Preconference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, Georgia.

Le Forestier, J. M., *Chan, E. W., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2022). *Why does concealment undermine health and wellbeing? A network analysis of potential mechanisms*. Paper presented at the Summer Psychology Forum of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Minneapolis, MN.

- Winner of Society for Personality and Social Psychology Citation Award

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2022). *Intergroup contact on social media is associated with less prejudice*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Lai, C. K. & **Le Forestier, J. M.** (2022). *A comparative investigation of interventions to reduce weight bias on five implicit measures*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. Delivered virtually.

You, Z., Page-Gould, E., Thai, S., & **Le Forestier, J. M.** (2022). *Great divides: An experience sampling test of intergroup contact theory in political groups*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. Delivered virtually.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2021). *Statistical power for a set of tests*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science. Delivered virtually.

Le Forestier, J. M., Logel, C. L., Witherspoon, E. B., & Fotuhi, O. (2020). *A social-belonging intervention benefits higher-weight students' weight stability and academic achievement*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL. (Conference canceled due to Covid-19 pandemic)

Lai, C. K., Ekstrom, P. D., & **Le Forestier, J. M.** (2020). *Racial disparities in police traffic stops are associated with county-level racial prejudice*. Paper presented at the Minority Politics Online Seminar Series. Delivered virtually.

Conference Posters

Hines, S., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Page-Gould, E. (2024). *Not the angry Black person: Seemingly paradoxical responses to intergroup conflict amongst Black & White Canadians*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, California.

You, Z., Page-Gould, E., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Thai, S. (2022) *Intergroup anxiety contributes to lower inter-political group contact motivation*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

*Chan, E. W., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Chasteen, A. L. (2022). *Identifying the mechanisms explaining concealment's effects on health and well-being: A network analysis*. Poster

presented at the University of Toronto Psychology Undergraduate Research Spotlight, Toronto, Canada.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2022). *Intergroup contact on social media is robustly associated with less intergroup prejudice*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

Ekstrom, P., **Le Forestier, J. M.,** & Lai, C. K. (2022). *Racial demographics explain the link between racial disparities in traffic stops and county-level racial attitudes*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2021). *An intergroup contact intervention on social media*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

*Jin, J., **Le Forestier, J. M.,** Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2021). *Do motivations to conceal impact perceptions of concealers?* Poster presented at the University of Toronto Psychology Undergraduate Research Spotlight. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

*Shephard, R., **Le Forestier, J. M.,** Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2021) *Health and wellbeing outcomes of identity concealment beliefs and behaviors*. Poster presented at the University of Toronto Psychology Undergraduate Research Spotlight. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

*Shephard, R., **Le Forestier, J. M.,** Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2021) *Health and wellbeing outcomes of identity concealment beliefs and behaviors*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2021). *Caught between a rock and a hard place: The social costs of identity concealment*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

*An, D., **Le Forestier, J. M.,** Hall, W. M., & Page-Gould, E. (2020). *Using race and positive and negative priming in the Subliminal Affective Misattribution Procedure*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

*An, D., **Le Forestier, J. M.,** Hall, W. M., & Page-Gould, E. (2020). *Subliminal Affective Misattribution Procedure*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Psychological Association, Montréal, Canada. (Delivered virtually due to Covid-19 pandemic)

*Shephard, R., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, Page-Gould, E., & Chasteen, A. L. (2020). *Changing subjective identity concealability: Investigating the content of belief change experiences*. Poster presented at the University of Toronto Research Forum, Toronto, Canada.

Le Forestier, J. M., Chasteen, A. L., Page-Gould, E., & Lai, C. K. (2020). *Concealability beliefs attenuate the costs of bearing stigma*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.

- Finalist for Society for Personality and Social Psychology Graduate Student Poster Award

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., Lai, C. K., & Chasteen, A. L. (2020). *Concealability beliefs facilitate intergroup contact*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Group Processes and Intergroup Relations Preconference of the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.

Le Forestier, J. M. (2019). *What you don't know won't hurt me: The effects of subjective identity concealability on psychological costs of stigma*. Poster presented at the University of Toronto Psychology Department MA Poster Day, Toronto, Canada.

Le Forestier, J. M., Page-Gould, E., Chasteen, A. L., & Lai, C. K. (2019). *What you don't know won't hurt me: The effects of subjective identity concealability on psychological costs of stigma*. Poster presented at the Weary Symposium on Diversity and Social Identity, Columbus, OH.

Le Forestier, J. M., Chasteen, A. L., Page-Gould, E., & Lai, C. K. (2019). *Subjective identity concealability*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.

*Vellequette, G., **Le Forestier, J. M.**, & Lai, C. K. (2018). *How implicit attitudes predict behavior*. Poster presented at the Washington University in St. Louis Spring Undergraduate Research Symposium, St. Louis, MO.

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

Fellowships

SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$90,000; Role: Fellow/PI; second year declined) 2023–2024
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship (\$80,000; Role: Fellow/PI) 2019–2023
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

Ontario Graduate Scholarship (\$15,000; Role: Fellow/PI; declined) 2019–2020
Government of Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges, and Universities

Canada Graduate Scholarship-Master's (\$17,500; Role: Fellow/PI) 2018–2019
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

Project Grants

Grant-In-Aid (\$1,000; Role: PI) 2022
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues

Community Catalyst Grant (\$2,000; Role: Co-PI) 2021-2022
Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Replication Project Grant (\$4,339.55; Role: PI) 2020
Center for Open Science

Awards

Ken Dion Award for Excellence in Research and Service 2023
Department of Psychology, University of Toronto

Citation Award 2022
Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Student Diversity Registration Award (\$100) 2021
Association for Psychological Science

Graduate Student Poster Award Finalist 2020
Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Pre-Registration Award (\$900) 2020
Center for Open Science

School of Graduate Studies Conference Award (\$750) 2020
University of Toronto

School of Graduate Studies Conference Award (\$800) 2019
University of Toronto

Graduate Travel Award (\$500) 2019
Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Faculty of Arts & Science Award (\$5,000) 2018
University of Toronto

Teaching

Instructor of Record
COMM 2760: Persuasion and Social Influence 2024
Department of Communication, Cornell University

Tutorial Instructor
PSY 2001: General Linear Model (PhD-level course) 2022
Graduate Department of Psychology, University of Toronto

PSY 202: Statistics II 2019; 2020; 2021
Department of Psychology, University of Toronto

Teaching Assistant

PSY 201: Statistics I Department of Psychology, University of Toronto	2018; 2019; 2020; 2023
PSY322: Intergroup Relations Department of Psychology, University of Toronto	2023
PSY 2002: Advanced Statistics (PhD-level course) Graduate Department of Psychology, University of Toronto	2021; 2022
PSY 349: Laboratory in Social Psychology Field Methods Department of Psychology, University of Toronto	2021
PSY 320: Attitudes Department of Psychology, University of Toronto	2019
PSY 326: Social Cognition Department of Psychology, University of Toronto	2019
PSYCH 444: Psychological Interventions Renison University College, University of Waterloo	2018
PSYCH 356: Personality Psychology Renison University College, University of Waterloo	2018
PSYCH 253: Social Psychology Renison University College, University of Waterloo	2017
SDS 250: Social Statistics Renison University College, University of Waterloo	2013
<u>Guest Lecturer</u>	
Social Identity and Attitudes Public Affairs 70: Data, Evidence and Persuasion University of California, Los Angeles	2020
Experiencing Prejudice and the Replication Crisis Psychology 322: Intergroup Relations University of Toronto	2019
Stereotypes and Prejudice Psychology 320: Attitudes University of Toronto	2019
Experiencing Prejudice and the Replication Crisis Psychology 322: Intergroup Relations University of Toronto	2019

Experiencing Prejudice 2018
 Psychology 322: Intergroup Relations
 University of Toronto

Student Supervision

Independent Project/Thesis Students

Valeria Khudiakova (pursuing a PhD at the University of Birmingham)	2022–2023
Elizabeth Chan (pursuing a PhD at the University of Toronto)	2021–2022
Jiawen Jin (pursuing an MA at the École Supérieure de Commerce de Paris)	2020–2021
Rosemarie Shephard (pursued an MA at McGill University)	2019-2021
Daniel An (pursued an MA at the University of Toronto)	2018-2019

Work-Study Students

Donghyun Suh (completing BSc at the University of Toronto)	2021-2022
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Writing for Public Audiences and Media Coverage

Writing for Public Audiences

It's a Fraught Choice: Come Out, or Conceal Yourself? Psyche	2023
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Inclusion of LGBTQ+ Scholars in Social and Personality Psychology: Ongoing Efforts and Future Challenges Society for Personality and Social Psychology News	2022
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Selected Media Coverage

Many Closeted Gay Men Didn't Receive Mpx Care During Outbreak HealthDay News <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picked up in U.S. News & World Report and others 	2024
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Concealing Sexual Identity May have Impeded Mpx Care for Some Men Cornell Chronicle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picked up in EurekaAlert! (AAAS), MSN, and others 	2024
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Closeted Men were Less Likely to Get the Mpx Vaccine for a Very Surprising Reason LGBTQ Nation	2024
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Do Belonging Interventions for College Students Work? Psychology Today	2023
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This Simple 30-Minute Belonging Exercise Could Boost Student Retention The Chronicle of Higher Education	2023
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Traffic Stops and Race: Police Conduct May Bend to Local Biases Association for Psychological Science Under the Cortex	2022
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Service

Editorial Board Member

Personality and Social Psychology Review (Emerging Editor Board) 2022–Present

Ad Hoc Peer Reviewer

Global Public Health

Group Processes and Intergroup Relations

Journal of Community and Applied Social Psychology

Journal of Experimental Psychology: General

Journal of Nonverbal Behavior

Journal of Personality and Social Psychology

Journal of Social Issues

Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin

Personality and Social Psychology Review

PLOS One

Psychological Science

Psychology and Aging

Social and Personality Psychology Compass

Social Cognition

Stigma and Health

Conference Submission Reviewer

Association for Psychological Science Methods Track Poster Submissions 2020

Society for Personality and Social Psychology Graduate Student Poster Award 2019

Departmental Service

Social-Personality Brownbag Coordinator 2021–2022
Department of Psychology, University of Toronto

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Member 2020–2022
Department of Psychology, University of Toronto

Graduate Chair Search Committee Member 2021
Department of Psychology, University of Toronto

Recruitment and Orientation Coordinator 2019–2020
Department of Psychology, University of Toronto

Workshops and Panels

Academic Job Market in Psychology 2024
Princeton University

Pre-Registration and Open Science Practices 2024
University of Waterloo

Academic Job Market in Psychology 2023
University of Toronto

Other Service

Co-Founder and Organizer 2021–Present
Here and Queer, Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Graduate Student Mentor 2021–2022
Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Open Science Ambassador 2019–Present
Center for Open Science

Professional Affiliations

Association for Psychological Science
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues
Society for Personality and Social Psychology