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EDUCATION**NEW YORK UNIVERSITY***Master of Arts, General Psychology* | GPA: 3.87 | advisor: Prof. John Jost

New York, NY

May 2019

HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM*Bachelor of Arts, Psychology and General Studies in Humanities* | GPA: 3.94 | advisors: Prof. Maya Tamir and Prof. Rechav Rubin

Jerusalem, Israel

July 2016

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE*Full-Time Research Assistant, STANFORD SOCIAL NEUROSCIENCE LAB (P.I.: Jamil Zaki, PhD)*

July 2019 – present

- Stanford Communities Project
- Belief in zero-sum happiness

Graduate Research Assistant, SOCIAL JUSTICE LAB, NYU (P.I.: John Jost, PhD)

Sep. 2017 – June 2019

- Stereotypic humor as a form of system justification (independent project): reviewed literature, formed hypotheses, designed correlational study, wrote and submitted IRB, created Qualtrics survey and administered it on MTurk, analyzed data in R using multiple regression, presented findings.
- Elements of system-justification in mental illness stigma: formed Qualtrics surveys, cleaned data with SPSS.
- Psychological distance influences criticism of social system: assembled Qualtrics survey, formed measures of system criticism, analyzed pilot data in R.
- EEG (electroencephalogram) study examining ideological differences in emotion regulation tendencies: reviewed literature, trained in EEG administration, collected and pretested stimuli, administered survey on MTurk, analyzed pretest results.
- Ideological asymmetry in hateful speech on Twitter: coded tweets for a machine learning algorithm.
- A Theory of System Justification (book): assembled reference list and formed figures.

Graduate Research Assistant, MALONEY LAB, NYU (P.I.: Laurence Maloney, PhD)

Sep. 2018 – Mar. 2019

- Wrote code (MATLAB) for a visual perception task testing parabola interpolation from a set of dots.

Graduate Research Assistant, DIVERSITY AND SOCIAL PROCESSES LAB, NYU (P.I.: Maureen Craig, PhD)

Feb. 2018 – Jan. 2019

- Collected behavioral data for studies on social perception of prototypical ethnic individuals.
- Managed participants with SONA.

Research Assistant, EMOTION AND SELF-REGULATION LABORATORY (P.I.: Maya Tamir, PhD)

Oct. 2015 – June 2016

- Planned and formed an online experimental study, executed the study on MTurk, and analyzed it with SPSS.
- Instructed participants and taught them emotion regulation strategies, such as cognitive re-appraisal, expressive suppression, and rumination.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION AND UNDER REVIEW**Baltiansky, D.,** Craig, M. A. & Jost, J. T. (under review). At whose expense? System justification and the appreciation of stereotypical humor targeting high vs. low status groups. *Humor*.**PRESENTATIONS****Baltiansky, D.,** Craig, M. A., & Jost, J. T. (Feb. 2020). *No Laughing Matter: Appreciation of Stereotypic Humor as Predicted by System Justification and Perception of Joke Targets*. Poster to be presented at the 21st Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.Valtonen, J., **Baltiansky, D.,** & Jost, J. T. (Feb. 2020). *System Justification and the Stigmatization of Mental Illness*. Poster to be presented at the 21st Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.**Baltiansky, D.,** Craig, M. A., & Jost, J. T. (Apr. 2019). *No Laughing Matter: Appreciation of Stereotypic Humor as Predicted by System Justification and Perception of Joke Targets*. Poster presented at the M.A. Psychology Research Conference, New York University, New York, NY.***1st Prize Winner****Baltiansky, D.** (Apr. 2019). *No laughing matter: System justification and interpretation of stereotypic jokes predict their level of funniness*. Presented at the GSAS Theresis Challenge, New York University, New York, NY.**Baltiansky, D.,** Craig, M. A., & Jost, J. T. (Dec. 2018). *Stereotypic Humor as a Form of System Justification*. Talk presented at the Social Justice Lab, New York University, New York, NY.

Baltiansky, D., Craig, M. A., & Jost, J. T. (Apr. 2018). *Stereotypic Humor as a Form of System Justification*. Poster presented at the M.A. Psychology Research Conference, New York University, New York, NY.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY, NYU (Professors Jim Uleman and Eric Knowles) Sep. 2018 – May 2019

- Reviewed course material in recitations (60 students per semester); engaged students in activities during class.
- Graded, revised and provided support for paper-writing; developed exam questions; graded exams.

EXTRANEOUS RESEARCH WORK

MORE IN COMMON

Yudkin, D., Hawkins, S., & Dixon, T. (June 2019). *The perception gap: How false impressions are pulling Americans apart*. [pdf](#)

*contribution: reviewed and edited statistical analyses and final report.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

aCHORD CENTER – SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY FOR SOCIAL CHANGE Aug. 2019 – present

Website manager – en.achord.huji.ac.il

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY, HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM Jan. 2016 – Apr. 2017

Website content editor and social network manager

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY CENTER Oct. 2014 – June 2015

Counselor/Mentor

MILITARY SERVICE EXPERIENCE

FOREIGN RELATIONS UNIT, ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCES (IDF) Dec. 2009 – Dec. 2012

Foreign Relations Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO)

- Managed strategic and tactic dialogue between the IDF and the Egyptian Army: relayed critical information to senior Egyptian military officers, built relationships through face-to-face meetings and daily phone calls, and processed politically sensitive material.
- Worked in cooperation with the Multinational Force & Observers (MFO) situated in the Sinai Peninsula.
- Wrote, translated and presented delicate material regarding the strategic relations between the IDF and the Egyptian Army.

Deputy to Southern Liaison Branch Commanding Officer

- Personally and professionally commanded 10-12 soldiers.
- Lead professional guidance in the branch.

Commander in Foreign Relations NCO Course

- Produced tours and different activities for 40-50 soldiers.

SKILLS

- **Statistics Software and Coding Languages:** R, MATLAB, SPSS
- **Survey platform:** Qualtrics, MTurk, TurkPrime, SONA
- **Video Editing:** Adobe Premiere Pro
- **Languages:** native Hebrew, fluent English

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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