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Education

- 2022 **New York University (NYU)**
Ph.D. in Psychology, Minor in Quantitative Psychology
Advisor: Elizabeth Phelps
- 2017 **California State University, Fullerton (CSUF)**
B.A. in Psychology, Minor in Philosophy
Summa cum Laude
Advisors: Iris Blandón-Gitlin, Kathleen Preston, Jessie Peissig

Research Assistantships

- June 2016 – **Stanford Summer Research Early Identification Program Scholar**
Aug 2016 Faculty Advisor: Dr. Jamil Zaki
Project Title: Motivational Influences on Perceptual Judgments: How What We Want Changes What We See

Honors & Awards

- 2013 – 2017 Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program Scholar, CSUF
2015 – 2017 Maximizing Access to Research Careers (MARC) Research Scholar, CSUF
2017 Outstanding MARC Scholar Award, CSUF
2017 Outstanding Undergraduate Award in Psychology, CSUF
2017 Loh Seng Tsai Memorial Scholarship, CSUF
2017 Psychology Department Commencement Speaker
2017 Ford Foundation Fellowship, Honorable Mention
2012 – 2016 Dean's Honor List, CSUF
2016 Appreciation for Volunteer Service from Girl Scouts of Orange County
2016 Society for Advancing Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) Travel Grant
2016 JoAnn Brannock Travel Grant, CSUF
2016 Department of Psychology Travel Grant, CSUF
2015 Department of Psychology Travel Grant, CSUF
2015 Inter-Club Council Travel Grant, CSUF
2014 Certificate of Appreciation from C-REAL
2014 Inducted into PSI CHI, The International Honor Society in Psychology
2014 Recognition of Services Award, Volunteer Services Program, CSUF

Grants & Fellowships

- 2017–2022 McCracken Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS), NYU
2017–2022 Opportunity Fellowship, GSAS, NYU
2017–2022 Dean’s Fellowship, GSAS, NYU
2014 Associated Student’s Incorporated Research Grant, CSUF

Manuscripts in Preparation

- Browning, E. D., **Sambrano, D.**, Meyer, C., & Peissig, J. (*in prep*). Exploring Genuine and Posed Emotion Recognition. Planned to be submitted to *Visual Cognition*.
- Fey, T., Blandón-Gitlin, I., **Sambrano, D.**, & Masip, J. (*in prep*). Does manipulation of context suspicion influence older adults’ lie detection accuracy?. Planned to be submitted to *Psychology and Aging*.
- Preston, K. S. J. & **Sambrano, D.** (*in prep*). PsyTools: A Toolkit for Common Statistical Analyses in Psychology [Computer software]. Planned to be submitted to *R Foundation for Statistical Computing*.
- Sambrano, D.** & Preston, K. S. J. (*in prep*). Emotion regulation and well-being: A structural equation model.

Conference Presentations

Talks

- Sambrano, D.**, Leong, Y. C., & Zaki, J. (2016, July). *Motivational influences on perceptual judgments: How what we want changes what we see*. Oral presentation at the Leadership Alliance National Symposium. Stamford, CT.
- Sambrano, D.** & Blandón-Gitlin, I. (2016, April). *The beneficial effects of sadness on decision-making*. Oral presentation at the Humanities and Social Sciences Symposium. CSUF Fullerton, CA.
- Fey, T., Blandón-Gitlin, I., & **Sambrano, D.** (2016, March). *Would context manipulation influence older adults’ ability to detect deception?* Oral presentation at the American Psychology-Law Society. Atlanta, GA.
- Sambrano, D.** & Peissig, J. J. (2015, November). *Exploring differences between emotional experience and perceived facial expression*. Oral presentation at the Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research. Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA.
- Sambrano, D.** & Peissig, J. J. (2015, July). *Exploring differences between posed and genuine expressions*. Oral presentation at the Annual Ronald E. McNair Scholar’s Symposium. Berkeley, CA.

Sambrano, D. (2015, March). *Do we select our political party based on emotional attachment or political ideology?* Oral presentation at Why We Argue & How We Should: Reason & Deliberation in Public Debate Philosophy Symposium. CSUF Fullerton, CA.

Garcia, M., Medina, N., & **Sambrano, D.** (2014, March). *Reinventing a summer research program for students of color: An undergraduate and graduate student partnership.* Oral presentation at the American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education Conference, Costa Mesa, CA.

Posters

Sambrano, D., Leong, Y. C., & Zaki, J. (2017, March). *Motivational influences on perceptual judgments: How what we want changes what we see.* Poster presented at the Social and Affective Neuroscience Society Conference. Los Angeles, CA.

Sambrano, D., Blandón-Gitlin, I., & Masip, J. (2016, October). *The beneficial effects of sadness on decision-making.* Poster presented at the Society for Advancing Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans in Science Conference. Long Beach, CA.

Sambrano, D., Leong, Y. C., & Zaki, J. (2016, July). *Do our desires shape what we see?* Poster presentation at Stanford's Summer Research Early Identification Symposium. Stanford, CA.

Park, J., Preston, K. S. J., Manapat, P. D., **Sambrano, D.**, & Pizano, N. (2016, May). *Consequences of negatively worded items on the predictive capabilities of the NEO-PI-3 using the Nominal Response Model.* Poster presentation at the Association for Psychological Science. Chicago, IL.

Sambrano, D., Preston, K. S. J., Park, J., Manapat, P. D., & Pizano, N. (2016, May). *Decreasing participants' cognitive load while taking surveys under IRT.* Poster presentation at the Western Psychology Association Conference. Long Beach, CA.

Sambrano, D., Preston, K. S. J., Park, J., Manapat, P. D., & Pizano, N. (2016, April). *Emotion regulation and well-being: A structural equation model.* Poster presentation at the Western Psychology Association Conference. Long Beach, CA.

Park, J., Preston, K. S. J., Manapat, P. D., **Sambrano, D.**, & Pizano, N. (2016, April). *Identifying consequences of negatively worded items with the nominal response model.* Poster presentation at the Western Psychological Association. Long Beach, CA.

Espinoza, R. K. E., **Sambrano, D.** Hunter, B., & Peterson, H. (2015, May). *Influence of jurors' views of mentally ill defendants and level of RWA for racially diverse defendants.* Poster presentation at the Western Psychological Association Conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Person, D., Oganessian, K., & **Sambrano, D.** (2015, May). *Arts integration predicting creativity and motivation in elementary students.* Poster presentation at the Western Psychological Association Conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Person, D., Oganessian, K., & **Sambrano, D.** (2015, May). *Professional development influencing art integration and teacher confidence*. Poster presentation at the Western Psychological Association Conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Sambrano, D., Hunter, B., & Peterson, H. (2014, November). *The effects of mental illness attitudes and political ideology on juror decisions*. Poster presentation at the Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research. CSUF Fullerton, CA.

Person, D., Oganessian, K., & **Sambrano, D.** (2014, April). *The influence of teacher development on arts integration in elementary schools*. Poster presentation at the Western Psychological Association Conference. Portland, OR.

Person, D., Cuellar, M., Barnett, C., **Sambrano, D.**, Fisk, R., & Arauz, K. (2014, February). *Reinventing a summer research program: A graduate and undergraduate student partnership*. Poster presented at California State University, Fullerton's Research Symposium: Pursuing Excellence in Educational Practice. CSUF Fullerton, CA.

Teaching Experience

Guest Lecturer for *Multivariate Statistics for Psychology*, April 2015
Introduction to Times Series Analysis

Teaching Assistantships

CSUF

Advanced Psychological Statistics, Fall 2015 – Spring 2017

Multivariate Statistics for Psychology, Spring 2016

Elementary Statistics in Psychology, Spring 2015 – 2016

Research Methods in Psychology, Fall 2014

Technical Skills

Proficient in:

- Languages: R, L^AT_EX, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Paperscript, Python, Bash
- Photo and video editors: Adobe Photoshop, Final Cut Express
- Stimulus Presentation software: PsyToolKit, Superlab
- Statistical software: EQS, Mplus, FlexMIRT, Comprehensive Exploratory Factor Analysis (CEFA), Excel, Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS)
- Survey generators: Qualtrics, PsyToolKit, Google Forms

Academic Affiliations & Memberships

Social and Affective Neuroscience Society (SANS)

Association for Psychological Science (APS)

SACNAS

Psychology Department Student Association (PDSA), CSUF

Western Psychology Association (WPA)

Outreach and Service

- 2016 **Girl Scouts of Orange County STEM Expo, CSUF, Fullerton CA**
- Facilitated a booth that exposed girl scouts to some fundamental principles of attention and perception and introduced psychology as a STEM field
- 2012 – 2015 **Maywood Education Fair (4th – 7th annual), Maywood, CA**
- Organized facilities day of event
 - Facilitated a workshop to teach elementary school children what college is and the importance of attending college
- 2014 **Social Justice Summit, CSUF, Fullerton CA**
- Organized rooms and assisted workshop facilitators
- 2014 **Equity and Outcomes: Institutional Strategies for Improving Access and Success for Underrepresented Students Educational Symposium, CSUF, Fullerton CA**
- Organized facilities for research presenters
- 2014 **Pursuing Excellence in Educational Practice Research Symposium, CSUF, Fullerton CA**
- Organized facilities for research presenters
- 2013 **Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity: On Your Campus/In Your Classroom Conference, Brea, CA**
- Organized facilities for research presenters and assisted workshop facilitators
- 2013 **Mindfulness and Learning Research Symposium, CSUF, Fullerton CA**
- Organized facilities day of event
 - Assisted in planning and organizing the event