Allison Link, M.S.

Curriculum Vitae

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Education | The Pennsylvania State University

Dec 2021 – Present

Doctoral Candidate in Cognitive Psychology & Language Science

Expected: Aug 2024

Advisor: Elisabeth Karuza, Ph.D.

The Pennsylvania State University

Dec 2021

Master of Science, *Psychology Advisor*: Daniel Weiss, Ph.D.

Stony Brook University (SUNY) May 2019

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Arts, Spanish Language & Literature

Research Experience

Graduate Research Assistant (Karuza Lab)

Dec 2021 – Present

University Park, PA

The Pennsylvania State University Psychology Dept.

PI: Elisabeth Karuza, Ph.D.
Utilizes online survey software to collect data on how learners acquire statistics from language input that is embedded in noise.

Graduate Research Assistant (Language & Cognition Lab)

Aug 2019 – Dec 2021

The Pennsylvania State University Psychology Dept.

University Park, PA

PI: Daniel Weiss, Ph.D.

- Designed and coded several online experiments examining statistical learning in the context of multiple grammars
- Collected and analyzed behavioral data
- Trained and managed undergraduate research assistants in the lab
- Designed and maintained lab website (https://weisslab.la.psu.edu)

Undergraduate Research Assistant (Social Memory & Cognition Lab)Aug 2018 – May 2019Stony Brook University Psychology Dept.Stony Brook, NY

PI: Suparna Rajaram, Ph.D.

- Administered standard measures; collected, coded, and analyzed memory recall data for study on memory and individual/group differences
- Translated stimuli and task instructions from Spanish into English
- Coded/troubleshooted tasks in PsychoPy and E-Prime

Undergraduate Research Assistant (Self-Regulation & Cognition Lab)

Stony Brook University Psychology Dept.

Aug 2017 – May 2018

Stony Brook, NY

PI: Antonio Freitas, Ph.D.

- Administered standard measures; collected, coded, and analyzed memory recall data for study on emotion regulation and coping mechanisms
- Trained participants one-on-one to utilize specific coping mechanisms to contend with highly negative and arousing visual/auditory stimuli

Presentations & Publications

The Psychonomic Society Annual Meeting

Link, A., Carlson, M. T., Weiss, D. J. Statistical Learning of Grammatical Classes

Nov 2021

Across Two Artificial Languages in Monolinguals and Bilinguals.

Link, A., Carlson, M. T., Weiss, D. J. *Acquiring grammatical classes from distributional properties of the input: The challenge of bilingual acquisition.*Nov 2020

Talks & Lectures

Panel on Remote Experimental Studies

Sept 2020

The Center for Language Science at Penn State University

University Park, PA

 Presented on a panel of language scientists with experience conducting online research during the weekly CLS colloquium to provide colleagues with information and best practice for online data collection in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Introduction to Online Research Tools

Sept 2020

The Pennsylvania State University Psychology Dept.

University Park, PA

Presented a series of introductory and intermediate level workshops via Zoom to the Cognitive Psychology Area (later shared with the entire department) on utilizing online research tools, including the experiment creation software PsychoPy, the experiment hosting website Pavlovia.com, and recruitment resources such as SONA and Prolific.com.

Link: https://github.com/psu-psychology/psychopy pavlovia workshop

Funding

The Center for Language Science Seed Funding Award Recipient

Title: Bilingual Statistical Learning in the Context of Multiple Grammars Amount: \$1,140

Feb 2022

University Park, PA

Use: These funds were used to continue data collection from Prolific.com for an online study involving grammar acquisition using distributional cues

Title: Statistical Learning in the Context of Multiple Grammars Amount: \$2,500

Jan 2020

University Park, PA

Use: These funds were used to support data collection from Prolific.com for an online study involving grammar acquisition using distributional cues

Skills

- Highly proficient in Python
- Highly proficient in PsychoPy and PsychoJS
- Familiar with R, E-Prime, MATLAB, Javascript, and HTML
- Intermediate level Spanish

Honors & Awards

- Bunton-Waller Graduate Award
- Stony Brook Dean's List (Fall 2015 Spring 2019)
- Recipient of Stony Brook Presidential Scholarship (Fall 2015 Spring 2019)
- Member of University Scholars' Program (Fall 2015 Spring 2019)

Certifications

- Certificate in Advanced Language Study of Spanish (CALS)
- CITI Human Subject Research Certified

Teaching Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant

The Pennsylvania State University Psychology Dept.

Aug 2019 – Present University Park, PA

- PSYCH 100 Introduction to Psychology
- PSYCH 211 Introduction to Social Psychology
- PSYCH 253 Sensation & Perception
- PSYCH 256 Animal Minds
- PSYCH 260 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology