# Curriculum Vitae Matthew James Facciani

# **EDUCATION**

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia, SC

MA in Sociology (2017) Graduate GPA: 4.00

Thesis: The Effects of Power on the Processing of Identity Threat

PhD in Sociology Expected: Spring 2019

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia, SC PhD candidate 2011-2015 in Cognitive Neuroscience

Graduate GPA: 3.68

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE New Wilmington, PA Bachelor of Arts: **Psychology** Major GPA: **3.98** 

Minor: Sociology (Minor GPA: 3.9) Cumulative GPA 3.72

May 2011

**Psychology Honors Program** 

Cum Laude

#### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Schnabel, L, Facciani, M.J., Sincoff-Yedid, A., &. Fazzino. L (2016). Gender and Atheism: Paradoxes, Contradictions, and an Agenda for Future Research. *Annual Review of the Sociology of Religion: Sociology of Atheism*, 75-97.

- Facciani, M. J., Warren, P., & Vendemia, J. (2016). A Content-Analysis of American Comic Books. *Race, Gender, & Class. Race, Gender & Class*, 22(3/4), 216.
- Facciani, M.J. (2015) Developing Affective Mental Imagery Stimuli with Multidimensional Scaling. Quantitative Methods for Psychology. 11 (2), 113-125.
- Shinkareva, S., Wang, J., Kim, J., Facciani, M., Baucom, L., &Wedell, D. (2013) Representations of modality-specific affective processing for visual and auditory stimuli derived from fMRI data. *Human Brain Mapping*. DOI:10.1002/hbm.22421

### ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Facciani, M.J. & Brashears, M. E. (2016). Sacred Alters: The Effects of Ego Network Structure on Religious and Political Beliefs. Scientific Study of Religion Conference, Atlanta GA

- Facciani, M. J., Warren, P., & Vendemia, J. (2015). Holy Race and Gender Discrimination, Batman: A Critical Review of American Comic Books. International Conference on Masculinities, New York, NY.
- Shinkareva, S., Wang, J., Kim, J., Facciani, M., Baucom, L., & Wedell, D. (2013). Tests of Modality-specific Affective Processing for Visual and Auditory Stimuli Derived from fMRI. Human Brain Mapping, Seattle, WA.
- Facciani, M.J. (2013) Affective Mental Imagery. Graduate Student Day Oral Presentation, University of South Carolina.
- Facciani, M.J., Kim, J., Wedell, D., Newell, M., & Shinkareva S.V. (2012) DiscoveringEmotion from Mental Imagery. Graduate Student Day Poster Presentation, University of South Carolina.
- Shinkareva, S.V., Wang, J., Kim, J., Facciani, M. J., Baucom, L., & Wedell, D. H. (2012). Decoding Valence from Picture and Sound Stimuli. Human Brain Mapping, Beijing, China.
- Facciani, M.J. (2011). When Two Decision Tasks are Better than One: Simultaneous Cognitive

  Tasks Affect Learning in the Monty Hall Problem Paradigm. Oral Presentation for Hard Data
  Café, University of South Carolina.
- Facciani, M.J., Gittis, A., Lunnen, K, & Petrocelli, J. (2011). Manipulating performance on the Monty Hall Problem through allocation of frontal resources. Paper presentation at NCUR, in Ithaca, NY.
- Facciani, M.J., Gittis, A., Lunnen, K, & Petrocelli, J. (2011). Manipulating performance on the Monty Hall Problem through allocation of frontal resources. Poster presentation at Eastern Psychological Association Conference, in Cambridge, MA.
- Getz, G.E., Kennedy, N.A., & Facciani, M. J (August 2010) *Executive Functioning and Treatment Success in an Intensive Outpatient Population*. Poster presented at American Psychological Association Conference in San Diego, CA.
- Getz, G.E, Schofield, H., Nelson, J, & Facciani, M. J. (2010) *Correlation of the BRIEF-A and performance on executive functioning measures in TBI*. Poster presented in February 2011at the International Neuropsychological Society conference.
- Miklosovic, J., Facciani, M.J., Sobieralski, A., & Lunnen, K.M., (April 2010) A comparison of visual ERP and EOG in obsessive-compulsive (OC) individuals in response to disgusting stimuli.

  Poster presented at Midwestern Psychological Association Conference, Chicago, IL.

- Barcus, K.C., Facciani, M. J., & Gittis, A.G., (October 2009) *Brain Awareness as a Laboratory*Project in an Undergraduate Behavioral Neuroscience Class. Poster presented at Society for Neuroscience Conference, Chicago, IL.
- Facciani, M.J., (April 2009) A Modified Replication of the Asch Study: How Social Influence Contributes to Conformity. Poster presented at Western Pennsylvania Undergraduate Psychology Conference, Robert Morris University, PA.
- Geretz, V., Lunnen, K.M., & Facciani, M.J., (March 2009) An Investigation of Care and Justice Based Moral Reasoning: The Role of Emotional Arousal. Poster presented at Eastern Psychological Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor for Psychological Statistics at University of South Carolina (Five semesters)

Teaching assistant for Social Psychology

Teaching assistant for Drugs and Behavior (Two Semesters)

Teaching assistant for Sensation and Perception

Teaching assistant for Psychological Statistics (Two Semesters)

# **SERVICE**

Psychology Graduate Student Association, **Elected President (two terms)**Light of Hope Project for Rwandan Genocide Survivors, **US Ambassador**Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands, **Speakers Bureau member**Young Men for Gender Equality, **Scientific Advisor** 

# RESEARCH WORK EXPERIENCE

**Intern,** ALLEGHENY GENERAL HOSPITAL, Pittsburgh, PA, (Summer 2009)

Duties included administering and scoring neuropsychological tests to inpatients and outpatients as well as assisting with research projects.

**Research Assistant,** DARTMOUTH COLLEGE, Hanover, NH, (Summer 2010)

Duties included writing programs for experiments in E-Prime, helping with the literature review, running subjects through EMG and fMRI, and processing EMG and fMRI data.

**Research Assistant,** UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Columbia, SC, (Fall, 2013) Duties included writing programs for experiments in E-Prime, helping with literature reviews, experimental design, running subjects through fMRI, and processing/analyzing fMRI data.

# OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE Mini Golf Operator, DAIRY QUEEN, (Summer 2012)

Clerk, EINSTEIN'S BAGELS, Cranberry Township, PA, (Summer 2008-Summer 2010)

**Call Center Tech**, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE INFORMATION SYSTEMS, New Wilmington, PA (Fall 2007-Spring 2011)

**Sandwich Artist,** SUBWAY, Cranberry Township, PA, (Summer 2007)

Customer Service Clerk, TOYS R US, Cranberry Township, PA (2005-2006)

#### **HONORS and AWARDS**

Westminster College Dean's List, 5 semesters

DRINKO CENTER Travel Grant for presenting research in Chicago

Psi Chi (National Psychology Honor Society)

Lambda Sigma (Sophomore Leadership and Scholarship Honor Society)

Omicron Delta Kappa (Junior and Senior Honor Society)

Pi Sigma Pi (Honor Society)

Mortar Board (Senior Honor Society)

Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociology Honor Society)

Maude Myers Scholarship for academic achievement and extracurricular involvement

June E. Kreiling Scholarship for academic achievement

American Humanist Association Travel Grant

National Italian American Foundation Voyage of Discovery Scholarship

University of South Carolina Research Travel Grant

# PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Association for the Advancement of Science, Student Member