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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Cornell University

Ph.D. in Social and Personality Psychology, expected July 2010

Graduate advisor: David Dunning

Yale University

B.A. in Psychology, *summa cum laude*, 2005

Thesis: "When you should take the good before the bad: Affirmations as inhibitors or promoters of defensiveness"

Undergraduate advisor: David Armor

Fellowships and Awards

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 2005-06, 2007-09

Society for Personality and Social Psychology Student Travel Award, 2007

Society for Personality and Social Psychology Graduate Poster Award, 2006

Sage Graduate Research Fellowship, 2009-10

Cornell University Student Travel Grant, 2006, 2007 (twice)

Angier Prize for best senior thesis in psychology, Yale University, 2005

Mellon Research Grant, Yale University, 2004

International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Psychology Summer Institute, University of Michigan—Ann Arbor, 2008

SPSP Summer Institute in Social Psychology, University of Texas—Austin, 2007

Fellow, Summer Institute for Informed Patient Choice, Dartmouth College, 2007

Publications and Manuscripts

- Critcher, C. R., Huber, M., Ho, A. K., & Koleva, S. P. (in press). Political orientation and ideological inconsistencies: (Dis)comfort with value tradeoffs. *Social Justice Research*.
- Critcher, C. R., & Pizarro, D. A. (2008). Paying for someone else's mistake: The effect of bystander negligence on perpetrator blame. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, *34*, 1357-1370.
- Critcher, C. R., & Gilovich, T. (2008). Incidental environmental anchors. *Journal of Behavioral Decision Making*, *21*, 241-251.
- Critcher, C. R. (2007). Gain-loss framing. In R. F. Baumeister & K. D. Vohs (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Social Psychology*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage publications.

Manuscripts under Review/Revision

- Critcher, C. R., Armor, D. A., & Dunning, D. When self-affirmations reduce defensiveness: Timing is everything. Currently under review at *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.
- Critcher, C. R., & Dunning, D. Egocentric pattern projection: How implicit personality theories recapitulate the geography of the self. Currently under revision at *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.
- Critcher, C. R., & Dunning, D. How chronic self-views influence (and mislead) self-assessments of performance: Self-views shape bottom-up experiences with the task. Currently under review at *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.
- Critcher, C. R., & Dunning, D. No good deed goes unquestioned: A cynical attributional asymmetry maintains the norm of self-interest. Currently under review at *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.
- Critcher, C. R., & Inbar, Y. Rashness vs. rage: Impulsivity and its divergent effects on blame. Currently under review at *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*.

Manuscripts in Preparation (Draft available via e-mail)

- Critcher, C. R., & Dunning, D. Affirmations provide perspective: Reducing defensiveness by expanding the working self-concept
- Critcher, C. R., & Ferguson, M. J. Abstract mindsets promote attention to affect.
- Critcher, C. R., & Gilovich, T. Anchors as attractors: A tug on numeric judgments.

Critcher, C. R., & Gilovich, T. Inferring preferences from mental behavior.

Risen, J. L., & Critcher, C. R. Visceral states priming: The effect of ambient temperature on belief in global warming.

Conference Presentations

Critcher, C. R., & Dunning, D. (2009, February). *Affirmations provide perspective: Reducing defensiveness by expanding the working self-concept*. Paper to be presented at the 10th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Tampa, FL.

Critcher, C. R., & Pizarro, D. A. (2008, November). *Paying for someone else's mistake: How bystander negligence influenced perpetrator blame*. Poster to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Chicago, IL.

Critcher, C. R., & Inbar, Y. (2008, May). *Rashness vs. rage: Impulsivity and its divergent effects on blame*. Paper presented at the 79th annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Critcher, C. R., Krueger, J. I., Kammrath, L. K., & Alicke, M. (2008, February). *Self-centered but social: Dual roles of the self in judging others*. Symposium presented at the 9th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Albuquerque, NM.

Critcher, C. R., & Dunning, D. *Pattern projection: Assessing covariation by assessing the self*. (2008, February). Paper presented (as symposium chair) at the 9th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Albuquerque, NM.

Critcher, C. R., & Risen, J. L. (2008, February). *Temperature affects belief in global warming*. Poster presented at the 3rd annual Judgment and Decision Making SPSP Pre-conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Critcher, C. R., & Gilovich, T. (2007, November). *Incidental environmental anchors*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Long Beach, CA.

Inbar, Y., & Critcher, C. R. (2007, November). *Acting without thinking: Rage, rashness, and moral evaluation*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Long Beach, CA.

Critcher, C. R., Dunning, D., & Armor, D. A. (2007, May). *Self-affirmations preemptively block but do not reverse defensiveness*. Paper presented at the 78th annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Critcher, C. R., & Dunning, D. (2007, January). *Pattern projection: Egocentrism and implicit personality theories*. Poster presented at the 8th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Memphis, TN.

*SPSP Travel Award

Critcher, C. R. (2006, May). *No good deed goes unquestioned: Belief in the self-interest norm*. Paper presented at the 77th annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Critcher, C. R., & Armor, D. A. (2006, January). *Self-affirmation and defensiveness: Timing is Everything*. Poster presented at the 7th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Palm Springs, CA.

*SPSP Graduate Poster Award

Research Interests

Self and identity

Judgment and Decision Making

Social Cognition

Self-affirmation

Belief formation

Professional Affiliations

Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Society for Judgment and Decision Making

Midwestern Psychological Association

Phi Beta Kappa, Yale Chapter

Teaching

Psychology 280: Introduction to Social Psychology, Spring 2007

TAship. I gave a guest lecture on the social psychology of sports. 300 students.

Psychology 385: The Psychology of Emotion, Fall 2006

TAship. I gave a guest lecture on Emotion and Judgment. 150 students.

Psychology 128: Personality and Social Psychology: The Individual in the Social World, Summer 2006

I designed and taught a daily 90-minute section. 17 students.

Social Cognition, Summer 2005.

I designed and taught a daily five-hour course to gifted high school students at the Duke University Talent Identification Program.

Game Theory: A Psychological Approach, Summer 2005

I designed and taught a daily five-hour course to gifted high school students at the Duke University Talent Identification Program.