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Academic Positions

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ July 2022 –
Postdoctoral Research Associate
Department of Psychology

Education

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA May 2022
Doctor of Philosophy
Thesis: "Habitual control of cognitive decision operations"
Thesis Supervisor: Fiery Cushman

Brown University, Providence, RI May 2015
B.S., Psychology with Honors, Magna Cum Laude
GPA: 4.0

Honors, Awards & Grants

Research & Academics

Society for Philosophy & Psychology, Prize for Best Student Paper (2018)
National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellow (2017-2021, 4-year stipend)
Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Q&pAy Grant Contest: Finalist (2016)
National Science Foundation, Graduate Fellowship Program: Honorable Mention (2015)
Society for Philosophy & Psychology, Prize for Best Student Paper: Honorable Mention (2015)
Harvard University Presidential Scholar (2015-2022)
Sigma Xi (2015)
Phi Beta Kappa (2014)

Teaching

George W. Goethals Teaching Prize (2019)
4x Certificate of Teaching Distinction, Harvard Bok Center (2017, 2019, 2020)

Journal Articles: Under review / preparing for submission

Morris, A.*, Kurdi, B.* (under review). Awareness of implicit attitudes: Large-scale investigations of scope and mechanism. <https://psyarxiv.com/dmjfq>

Morris, A., Phillips, J., Icard, T., Knobe, J., Gerstenberg, T., & Cushman, F. (under review). Causal judgments approximate the effectiveness of future interventions. <https://psyarxiv.com/nq53z/>

Morris, A., Carlson, R., Kober, H., Crockett, M. (in prep). Introspection into multi-attribute choice processes.

Carlson, R., Zoh, Y., Morris, A., Crockett, M. (in prep). The introspective edge in predicting behavior.

Morris, A. (in prep). Invisible gorillas in the mind: Internal inattentive blindness and the prospect of introspection training. <https://psyarxiv.com/4nf5c>

Journal Articles: Published

Morris, A., Braver, T. (forthcoming). What is the natural of “internal content” prior to attentional selection? *Psychological Inquiry*.

Morris, A., Gaesser, B., & Cushman, F. (2022). [The role of episodic simulation in motivating commonplace harms](#). *Cognition*, 225, 105104.

Kurdi, B., Morris, A., & Cushman, F. A. (2022). [The role of causal structure in implicit evaluation](#). *Cognition*, 225, 105116.

Morris, A., Phillips, J., Huang, K., & Cushman, F. (2021). [Generating options and choosing between them depend on distinct forms of value representation](#). *Psychological Science*, 32(11), 1731–1746.

Kurdi, B., Morris, A., & Cushman, F. (2019). [Implicit evaluations reflect causal information](#). In *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society* (Vol. 41).

Morris, A., & Cushman, F. (2019). [Model-free RL or action sequences?](#) *Frontiers in Psychology*, 10.

Phillips, J., Morris, A., & Cushman, F. (2019). [How we know what not to think](#). *Trends in Cognitive Sciences*. 23(12), 1026-1040.

Morris, A., Phillips, J., Gerstenberg, T., & Cushman, F. (2019). [Quantitative causal selection patterns in token causation](#). *PloS one*, 14(8).

Morris, A., Phillips, J., & Cushman, F. (2018). [Value-guided choice sets support efficient planning](#). In *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society* (Vol. 40).

Morris, A., & Cushman, F. (2018). [A common framework for theories of norm compliance](#). *Social Philosophy and Policy*, 35(1), 101-127.

Morris, A., MacGlashan, J., Littman, M. L., & Cushman, F. (2017). [Evolution of flexibility and rigidity in retaliatory punishment](#). *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 201704032.

Cushman, F., & Morris, A. (2015). [Habitual control of goal selection in humans](#). *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 112(45), 13817-13822.

Invited talks

“Introspection into multi-attribute choice processes” – Cognitive Research Seminar, Princeton University, September 2022; Building Virtue Project, Boston College, September 2022

“The relationship between internal attention and awareness of mental processes” – Fund Consciousness Science Workshop, March 2022

“Invisible gorillas in the mind: Internal inattentive blindness and the prospect of introspection training” – Dartmouth College, July 2021; Yale University, September 2021; Stanford University, October 2021; University of Chicago, October 2021; Johns Hopkins University, October 2021
“What comes to mind in decision making?” – Radcliffe Seminar on Possibilities, January 2019
“Actual causation judgments implement a sampling approximation for intervention effectiveness” – New England Research and Decision Making, June 2018
“A functional account of actual causation judgments” – MIT, May 2018
“Leveraging cached value to make planning tractable” – University of Michigan, January 2018
“Value-guided choice sets” – New England Research and Decision Making, May 2017
“The evolution of flexibility and rigidity in second-party punishment” – Society of Australasian Social Psychologists, Melbourne, April 2017

Talks/posters from submitted abstracts

“Introspective access to multi-attribute choice processes” – Reinforcement Learning and Decision Making, June 2022
“People leverage cached values to generate consideration sets in choice” – Reinforcement Learning and Decision Making, June 2022
“Internal inattentive blindness and the prospect of introspection training” – Society for Philosophy & Psychology, July 2021
“Habit-guided choice sets” – Society for Philosophy & Psychology, July 2018
“Actual causation judgments approximate intervention effectiveness” – Society for Philosophy & Psychology, July 2018
“Can habits be explained without model-free RL?” – Conference on Reinforcement Learning & Decision Making, June 2017
“The origins of revenge” – Society for Philosophy & Psychology, June 2016
“The evolution of second-party punishment” – Society for Personality and Social Psychology, January 2016
“Habitual goals” – Society for Philosophy & Psychology, June 2015
“The evolution of revenge” – NorthEastern Evolutionary Psychology Society, April 2015

Advising & Service

[Todayist](#): Psychology & Behavioral Science Advisor
[Harvard PPREP Program](#): Mentor
[Project SHORT](#): Mentor
[Polygence](#): Mentor

Peer review

Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Journal of Experimental Psychology: General, Cognition, Cognitive Science, Topics in Cognitive Science, PLOS Computational Biology, Scientific Reports, European Journal of Social Psychology, Philosophical Psychology