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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Psychology

Expected Spring 2029

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Area: Cognitive Psychology

Faculty Advisor: Paul D. Windschitl, Ph.D.

M.A. in Psychology

2026

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Thesis: Testing Functional Accounts of Predecisional Information Distortion: Beyond Binary Cases

Faculty Advisor: Paul D. Windschitl, Ph.D.

B.S. in Psychology (with research distinction)

2023

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Thesis: Who do you listen to? The effects of perceived gender on decision making

Faculty Advisor: Melissa T. Buelow, Ph.D.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Clark, P. M., Brunell, A. B., & Buelow, M. T. (2024). The effect of false cognitive feedback on subsequent cognitive task performance. *Journal of clinical and experimental neuropsychology*, 1–14. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13803395.2024.2360229> [IF: 2.47]

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Clark, P. M., Brunell, A. B., Okdie, B. M., & Buelow, M. T., Gender as a shortcut in decision making under ambiguity. [Under Review at *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied*]

Strueder, J. D., Looi, T., **Clark, P. M.**, Cockburn, J. & Windschitl, P. D. What you choose to see is all there is: How outcome preferences and information search shape predictions. [Under review at *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*]

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Clark, P. M., Strueder, J. D., & Windschitl, P. D. (in prep). Testing functional accounts of predecisional information distortion: Beyond Binary Cases. [Draft in progress]

Clark, P. M., Strueder, J. D., Darbyshire, K., Stangl, E., Ricketts, T., Windschitl, P. D., & Wu, Y. (in prep) Risk and benefit order effects and the distorted processing of treatment information. [Draft in progress]

Beckett, L. R., Wendland, B. S., **Clark, P. M.**, Brunell, A. B., & Buelow, M. T. (in prep). False narcissism feedback and performance on executive function tasks. [Draft in progress]

Clark, P. M., Meigs, A., Brunell, A.B., & Buelow, M. B. (in prep). Mind the Gap: Limited convergence between self-report and behavioral measures of decision making. [Draft in progress]

ACADEMIC HONORS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

The Graduate College Iowa Recruitment Fellowship University of Iowa	2024
The Ruth Scott-Sara Staats Outstanding Psychology Student Award The Ohio State University at Newark	2023
The Dr. Paul E. Panek Memorial Scholarship The Ohio State University at Newark	2023
OSU Undergraduate Research Scholarship The Ohio State University	2022-2023
Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program The Ohio State University	2022
Dean's List The Ohio State University	2020-2023

EXTERNAL TALKS

Clark, P. M., Vaughn, M., & Okdie, B. M. (2024, April). #nofilterneeded: The motivations of those who do not edit photos to post online. Data Blitz presentation presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL). [Part of a small number of top-rated submissions to Psi Chi at MPA selected for a Data Blitz Presentation]

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Clark, P. M., Barnhart, W. R., Buelow, M. T. (2027, February). Mind the gap: limited convergence between self-report and behavioral measures of decision making. Poster to be presented at the International Neuropsychological Conference (Boston, MA).

Clark, P. M., Strueder, J. D., & Windschitl, P. D. (2026, November). The effect of an initial performance on expectations for improvements. Poster to be presented at the Society of Judgment and Decision Making Conference (San Diego, CA).

- Clark, P. M.,** Strueder, J. D., & Windschitl, P. D. (2026, April). The effect of an initial performance on expectations for improvements. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).
- Clark, P. M. &** Buelow, M. T. (2026, April). Can task instructions guide strategy use on the IGT? Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).
- Clark, P. M.,** Okdie, B. M., Brunell, A. B., Buelow, M. T. (2026, April). Who do you listen to? Gender as a decision-making heuristic. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).
- Clark, P. M.,** Strueder, J. D., & Windschitl, P. D. (2026, February). The Function of Pre-Decisional Information Distortion When Choosing Among Several Options. Poster presented at the Society of Personality and Social Psychology (Chicago, IL).
- Clark, P. M.,** Strueder, J. D., & Windschitl, P. D. (2025, November). The Function of Pre-Decisional Information Distortion When Choosing Among Several Options. Poster presented at the Society for Judgment and Decision Making (Denver, CO).
- Clark, P. M.,** Strueder, J. D., & Windschitl, P. D. (2025, April). Does predecisional information distortion do more than maintain cognitive consistency? Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).
- Clark, P. M.,** Brunell, A. B., & Buelow, M. T. (2024, April). Gender-based heuristics in decision making. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).
- Beckett, L. R., Wendland, B. S., **Clark, P. M.,** Brunell, A. B., Buelow, M. T. (2024, April). False narcissism feedback and performance on executive function tasks. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).
- Vaughn, M., **Clark, P. M.,** & Okdie, B. M. (2024, April). Be careful what you type: Impression formation over electronic mail. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).
- Clark, P. M.,** Wince, C., Barnhart, W. R., Buelow, M. T., Goktan, A., & Mitchell, A. M. (2023, August). Use of decision-making strategies on the Iowa gambling task varies by self-reported biological sex. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association Division 17 (Society for Counseling Psychology) conference session (Washington, DC).
- Clark, P. M.,** Brunell, A. B., & Buelow, M. T. (2023, August). Gender as a heuristic for decision-making on the Iowa gambling task. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association Division 8 (Society of Personality and Social Psychology) conference session (Washington, DC).

Clark, P. M., & Okdie, B. M. (2023, April). Does this picture make me look too much like my actual self? The psychological effects of photo editing. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).

Clark, P. M., Wince, C., Brunell, A.B., & Buelow, M.T. (2023, April). Maximizing wins versus minimizing losses: Decision making strategies impact the interpretation of results on the Iowa Gambling Task. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).

Clark, P. M., Rardon, J., Wince, C., Buelow, M. T., & Brunell, A.B. (2022, April). False personality feedback affects decision making task performance. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).

Rardon, J., Mustric, S., Wince, C., **Clark, P. M.**, Kowalsky, J. M., Okdie, B. M., & Buelow, M. T. (2022, April). Relationships between behavioral decision-making tasks. Poster presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association conference (Chicago, IL).

Wince, C., **Clark, P. M.**, Rardon, J., Kowalsky, J.M., Brunell, A.B., & Buelow, M.T. (2022, April). Predicting engagement in risky behaviors based on perceived risks and benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic. Poster presented at the Society for Behavioral Medicine conference (Baltimore, MD).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor on Record, Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	Summer 2026
PSY:2601	

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, University of Iowa

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Social Psychology	Spring 2025-Fall 2026
PSY:2501	

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, University of Iowa

Teaching Assistant, Judgment and Decision Making	Fall 2026
PSY:3580	

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, University of Iowa

Teaching Assistant, Lab in Psychology: Judgment and Decision Making	Fall 2025
PSY:4020	

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, University of Iowa

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	Fall 2024
PSY:2601	

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, University of Iowa

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Data Analysis in Psychology

Fall 2023

PSYCH:2220

Department of Psychology, The Ohio State University at Newark

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Psychology

Fall 2023

PSYCH:1100

Department of Psychology, The Ohio State University at Newark

LAB AFFILIATIONS

Graduate Researcher

2024 - current

Judgment, Decision, and Social Comparison Lab, Paul Windschitl, University of Iowa

Undergraduate Research Assistant

2022 - 2024

Relationships and Technology Lab, Bradley Okdie, The Ohio State University at Newark

Undergraduate Research Assistant

2021 - 2024

Clinical Neuropsychology Research Lab, Melissa Buelow, The Ohio State University at Newark

SERVICE & MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Research Assistant Co-Supervisor

2024 - current

Judgment, Decision, and Social Comparison Lab, Paul Windschitl, University of Iowa

Graduate Student Advisory Committee (GSAC)

2026-2027

Committee Chair and Cognition Track Representative, University of Iowa

SKILLS

Programming

R, IBM SPSS, Millisecond Inquisit, Python

Research Tools

Prolific, Amazon Mechanical Turk (MTurk), Qualtrics, PsychoPy, G*Power