

Anna Maria Behler

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PROFILE

Highly motivated graduate student in pursuit of a doctorate in Social Psychology at Virginia Commonwealth University. Present research focuses on social media, self-disclosure, and the impact of technology on interpersonal communication and relationships. Areas of interest include: the self, close and romantic interpersonal relationships, emotion, communication styles, and the impact of social media and technology on individual behavior, close relationships, and communication.

EDUCATION

May 2014. Master of Arts in Psychology, City University of New York (CUNY) at Queens College

May, 2011. Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Fordham University

Fordham University Dean's List; 2007-2008 Academic Years

Fordham University Dean's Scholarship; September 2007 - May 2011

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant; Attachment, Personality, and Emotion Lab; Dr. Claudia Brumbaugh CUNY, Queens College; August 2012-May 2015

Principal investigator for research study regarding the impact of anonymity on trust and self-disclosure in an online context. Assisted in numerous studies regarding attachment theory, jealousy, rebound relationships, online dating, stress and religious attachment, and contingencies of self-worth. Duties included running experiments, coding, and data analysis.

Lead Research Assistant; Assimilative Family Therapy; Dr. Patricia Pitta, Ph.D., ABPP Private Practice, Manhasset, NY; January 2010-July 2015

Assisted in the writing process for the book *How Family Therapists Help Heal Modern Family Dilemmas: Through An Assimilative Family Therapy Model* (Pitta, 2014). Duties included collecting data and information regarding family therapy and the life cycle, reviewing and editing chapters, and creating charts and data tables.

Research Assistant; Risk Taking and Decision Making Lab; Dr. David Budescu, Ph.D. Fordham University; December 2008-December 2009

Assisted in two studies on risk-taking and decision-making. Duties included recruiting participants, scheduling meeting times, running experiments, ensuring that participants received proper compensation, and checking that all data were properly recorded.

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Behler, A. C., Almonte, R., & Brumbaugh, C. C. (2015). *Anonymity Negatively Impacts Online Interactions*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, New York, NY.

Behler, A. (2015). *Social Media & Self-Disclosure: Reciprocity and the "Passing Stranger Effect" in an Anonymous Online Setting*. Paper presented at Queens College Annual Neuropsychology Research Day. New York, NY.

Brumbaugh, C., Behler, A., Almonte, R. (2015). *The Transference of Friend and Sibling Relationships*. Poster presented at Eastern Psychological Association Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA.

Baren, A., Behler, A., Almonte, R., Brumbaugh, C. (2014). *What Makes Women Jealous in Non-Threatening Situations? The Role of Attachment Style and Rival Physical Appearance.*

Poster presented at Eastern Psychological Association Annual Conference. Boston, MA.

Brumbaugh, C. McClure, M.J., Chanchall, S., Merker, S., Walsh, R., & Behler, A. *Attachment Online: The Presentation of Security in Online Dating.* Poster presented at Eastern Psychological Association Annual Conference. Boston, MA.

Behler, A. (2013). *Too Fast, Too Soon?: An Empirical Investigation into Rebound Relationships.* Paper presented at Queens College Annual Neuropsychology Research Day. New York, NY.

Brumbaugh, C. Park, L., Baren, A., Brown, S., Behler, A. & Moinolmolki, N. (2013). *Knowing Me, Knowing You: The Role of Attachment in Contingent Self-Worth.* Poster presented at Eastern Psychological Association Annual Conference. New York, NY.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Laboratory Instructor, Applications of Statistics
Fall 2015; Virginia Commonwealth University

Adjunct Lecturer, Psychology of Personality
Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Spring 2015; CUNY, Queens College

Adjunct Lecturer, Social Behavior
Fall 2014, Spring 2015; CUNY, Queens College

Adjunct Lecturer, Psychology of Human Motivation
Spring 2014; CUNY, Queens College

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for Personality and Social Psychology. – March 2014 – Present

Eastern Psychological Association – Graduate Student Member. January 2012-Present.

New York State Psychological Association – Graduate Student Affiliate. January 2011-Present.

Psi Chi Honor Society, Fordham University Rose Hill Chapter. April 2009 – Present.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Psi Chi Honor Society, Fordham University Rose Hill Chapter

Vice-President; Fall 2009 - Spring 2010

Treasurer; Spring 2009

Duties Included:

- Undergraduate Information Seminar: Hosted a faculty Q&A session to provide information regarding the graduate school application process.
- Kaplan GRE Preparation Seminar: hosted guest speakers from Kaplan (One per semester)
- Careers in Psychology Forum: hosted several Fordham University faculty who led a Q&A session about Psychology career opportunities
- Relationship Workshop: hosted a discussion about how relationships can be helpful or harmful factors in our everyday lives.
- Psi Chi Induction Ceremonies: organized ceremony to induct new Psi Chi members, prepared faculty and student invitations, and led ceremony with other executive board members. (One per semester)