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EDUCATION

Virginia Commonwealth University M.S., Psychology

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University of Richmond B.A. with Honors, Psychology

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PUBLICATIONS

Allison, S. T., & Cairo, A. H. (in press). Heroism. In H. Freidman (Ed.), *The Encyclopedia of Mental Health*. New York: Elsevier.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION/UNDER REVIEW

- Bennett, A., Humphrey, R. H., Burch, G. F., Batchelor, J., & Cairo, A. H. View from a discipline: A multi-level model of empathy in organizations. Manuscript under review.
- Berry, D. R., Cairo, A. H., Brown, K. W., Goodman, R. J., Quaglia, J. T., & Green, J. D. *Mindfulness increases empathic and prosocial responses toward ostracized strangers*. Manuscript in preparation.
- Green, J. D., Reid, C. A., Moloney, J. M., & Cairo, A. H. Television "binge-watching" effects on emotions and behavior. Manuscript in preparation.
- Green, J. D., Davis, J. L., Griffin, B., **Cairo, A. H.,** Garthe, R., & Behler, A. C. *Relational predictors and correlates of humility*. Chapter in preparation to be included in D. Davis, J. Hook, & E. Worthington, Jr. (Eds.), *Handbook of humility*. New York: Routledge.
- Ebersole, C. R., Atherton, O. E., Belanger, A. L., Skulborstad, H. M., Allen, J. M., Banks, J., ... Cairo, A. H., ... Nosek, B. A. Many Labs 3: Evaluating participant pool quality across the academic semester via replication. Manuscript under review.
- Van Tongeren, D. R., Green, J. D., & Cairo, A. H. Heroism and the pursuit of meaning in life. Chapter in preparation to be included in S. T. Allison, G. R. Goethals, & R. M. Kramer (Eds.) *Handbook of heroism and heroic leadership*. New York: Routledge.

SYMPOSIA/POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Cairo, A. H., & Green, J. D. (2016, January). Wanting to know and wanting to care: Curiosity predicts greater empathic concern and decreased personal distress. Poster session to be presented at the annual conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.

- Berry, D. R., Brown, K. W., **Cairo, A. H.,** & Plonski, P. (2015, October). *Transcending social boundaries with presence: Brief mindfulness training increases prosocial responsiveness toward dissimilar others.* Poster session to be presented at the annual conference of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Winston-Salem, NC.
- Moloney, J. M., Cairo, A. H., Garthe, R. C., Easter, R., & Worthington, E. L. (2015, May). Exploring processes and changes in virtues during the transition to parenthood. Poster session presented at the annual conference of the Association for Psychological Science, New York, NY.
- Brown, K. W., Berry, D. R., & Cairo, A. H. (2015, February). Mindfulness enhances empathy and prosociality toward victims of social exclusion. In K. W. Brown (Chair), *Mindfulness and mind-wandering: pros, cons, and their surprising complementarity*. Symposium conducted at the annual conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, CA.
- Van Tongeren, D., Green, J., Cairo, A., Hulsey, T., Legare, C. Bromley, D., & Houtman, A. (2015, February). *Meaning threats elicit negative attitude polarization regarding evolution*. Poster session presented at the annual conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, CA.
- Allison, S. T., & **Hensel, A. K.** (2014, January). *Subjective vs. Objective social class: Divergent effects on empathy and prosocial behavior.* Poster session presented at the annual conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.
- Allison, S. T., & **Hensel, A. K.** (2013, January). *Heroism, leadership, and heroic leadership: Conceptual distinctions and integration.* Poster session presented at the annual conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.
- **Hensel, A. K.**, Johnson, J. J., & Hoyt, C. L. (2013, January). Would you help vs. will you help: Mediators of gender effects on prosocial behavior. Poster session presented at the annual conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.
- Allison, S. T., Beggan, J., Fischer, B., & **Hensel, A.** (2012, January). *Understanding heroes and villains: A categorical and semantic differential analysis.* Poster session presented at the annual conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.

Hensel, A. K., & Braude, L. B. (2011, April). *The effect of gender on perceptions of heroic empathy.* Poster session presented at the annual University of Richmond Arts and Sciences Symposium, University of Richmond, VA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE	
Social Psychology	2015
Primary Instructor	
Virginia Commonwealth University	
Experimental Methods in Psychology	2014 - 2015
Laboratory Instructor	
Virginia Commonwealth University	
Social Psychology	2014
Guest Lecturer	
Virginia Commonwealth University;	
Primary Instructor: Dr. Nao Hagiwara	
Introduction to Psychology	2012 - 2013
Undergraduate Laboratory Instructor	
University of Richmond	
OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE Undergraduate Academic Advisor Virginia Commonwealth University Lab Manager, CAVE Lab University of Richmond; PI: Dr. David Landy	2013 – 2014 2013
SERVICE	
Society for the Advancement of Psychology at VCU Leadership Board	2014 – 2015
History of Psychology Poster Competition Judge	2014 & 2015
FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS	
Austin E. Grigg & Helen W. Grigg Award	2013
Undergraduate Student Research Travel Award	2011 & 2012
Arts and Science Summer Research Fellowship	2011 & 2012

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Association for Psychological Science Phi Beta Kappa Psi Chi Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Society for the Advancement of Psychology at VCU