

# Curriculum Vitae

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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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Associate Professor of Psychological Science  
*Claremont McKenna College* (2017 – present)  
Visiting Associate Professor of Psychology  
*Macalester College* (2020-2022)  
Graduate Faculty in Psychology  
*Claremont Graduate University* (2011 – present)  
Assistant Professor of Psychological Science  
*Claremont McKenna College* (2011 – 2017)  
College Fellow  
*Harvard University* (2010-2011)  
Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow  
*Amherst College* (2008-2010)

### ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

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Chair, Department of Psychological Science (2018 – 2020)  
Director, CMC Summer Research Program (2018 – 2020)  
Chair, Admissions and Financial Aid Committee (2016-2018)  
Associate Chair, Department of Psychological Science (2017-2018)  
Chair, Admissions and Financial Aid Data Subcommittee (2014-2016)

### EDITORIAL POSITIONS

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Associate Editor:  
*Emotion* (2015 – 2020)  
Editorial Board Member:  
*Emotion* (2013 – present)  
*Journal of Experimental Social Psychology* (2012 – present)

*Journal of Personality and Social Psychology: Attitudes and Social Cognition* (2013 – present)

## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D. Social Psychology, Northeastern University, 2004-2008  
*Beyond Emotion and Reason: The Social Function of Morality*
- M.S. Social Psychology, Northeastern University, 2004-2006  
*Manipulations of Emotional Context Shape Moral Judgment*
- B.A. Psychology, Amherst College, *Magna Cum Laude*, 2003

## HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

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- 2018 Mellon Foundation Course Development Grant
- 2015 Mellon Presidential Roundtable Award, Claremont McKenna
- 2013 Character Project Essay and Book Prize, for *Out of Character*
- 2013 Fellow, *Society for Experimental Social Psychology*
- 2013 Association for Psychological Science “Rising Star”
- 2012 Koch Research Award, Salvatori Center, CMC
- 2012, 2014 Dean’s Summer Research Award
- 2010, 2011 Harvard University Certificate of Teaching Excellence
- 2010 College Fellowship in Psychology, Harvard University
- 2008-2010 Faculty Research Award, Amherst College
- 2008-2010 Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in Psychology, Amherst College
- 2005-2008 Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Award, Northeastern University
- 2003 Highest honors in Psychology, Amherst College
- 2003 Psi Upsilon Prize for preeminence in scholarship and citizenship, Amherst College

## PUBLICATIONS

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Citation Count. The papers below have been cited 4,407 times as of Jan 1st, 2021 (Google Scholar). Note: \* Indicates undergraduate student co-author.

### *Books and Edited Volumes*

**Valdesolo, P. & Graham, J.** (2016). *Social Psychology of Political Polarization*. New York: Psychology Press.

DeSteno, D.A & **Valdesolo, P.** (2011). *Out of Character: Surprising Truths about the Liar, Cheat, Sinner (and Saint) lurking in all of us*. New York: Crown Publishing.

### *Journal Articles and Chapters*

**Valdesolo, P.** (in prep). The Varieties of Awe Experiences. To appear in M. Van Elk & D. Yaden (Eds.) *The Oxford Handbook of Religious and Spiritual Experiences*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (in prep). Wonder and Awe. To appear in Allison, S., Goethals, G., & Beggan, J. (Eds.) *The Encyclopedia of Heroism Studies*. Springer.

Yaden, D., Graziosi, M., & **Valdesolo, P.** (accepted). A Preregistered Direct Replication of “Awe, Uncertainty and Agency Detection.” *Psychological Science*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (in press). Awe and the Natural Environment. To appear in *Encyclopedia of Mental Health, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. Elsevier.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2022). Awe, Approached. In J. Paweski & L. Tay (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of the Positive Humanities*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2021). [Stop making sense?](#) *The Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, Special Issue: The Power of Wonder*.

Bartlett, M.Y., **Valdesolo, P.**, & Arpin, S.N. (2019). [The Paradox of power: The relationship between self-esteem and gratitude](#). *The Journal of Social Psychology*, 1-12.

Graham, J., & **Valdesolo, P.** (2018). [Morality](#). In K. Deaux & M. Snyder (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Personality and Social Psychology*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Rai, T. S., **Valdesolo, P.**, & Graham, J. (2018). [Reply to Fincher et al.: Conceptual specificity in dehumanization research is a feature, not a bug](#). *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 201802004.

Valdesolo, P. (2018) [Getting emotions right in moral psychology](#). . In K. Gray & J. Graham (Eds.), *The Atlas of Moral Psychology*. New York: Guilford, p. 88- 95.

Rai, T., Valdesolo, P., & Graham, J. (2017). [Dehumanization predicts instrumental, not moral violence](#). *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 114(32), 8511-8516.

Valdesolo, P., Shtulman, A. & Baron, A. (2017). [Science is Awe-some: Emotional Antecedents of Science Learning](#). *Emotion Review*, 9(3), 215-221.

Valdesolo, P., Park, J.\* & Gottlieb, S. (2016) [Awe and Scientific Explanation](#), *Emotion*, 16(7), 937-940.

Lerner, J., Li, Y., Valdesolo, P. & Kassam, K. (2015) [Emotion and Decision Making](#). *Annual Review of Psychology*. Vol. 66, 799-823.

Jamieson, J.P., Valdesolo, P. & Peters, B. (2014). [Sympathy for the devil? The physiological and psychological effects of being an agent \(and target\) of dissent during intragroup conflict](#). *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 55, 221-227.

Valdesolo, P., & Graham, J. (2014). [Awe, uncertainty, and agency detection](#). *Psychological Science*, 25(1), 170-178.

Valdesolo, P. & DeSteno, D. (2014). [Positive emotion, social cognition, and intertemporal choice](#). In M. Tugade, M. Shiota, & L. D. Kirby (Eds.), *Handbook of Positive Emotions* (pp. 201-214). New York: Guilford Press

Valdesolo, P. (2014). [The Character in Competence](#). In H. Sarkissian & J.C. Wright (Eds.), *Advances in Experimental Moral Psychology* (pp. 21-35). New York: Bloomsbury Press.

Valdesolo, P., & DeSteno, D. (2011). [Synchrony and the social tuning of compassion](#). *Emotion*, 11(2), 262 - 266.

Valdesolo, P. & DeSteno, D.A. (2011). [The Virtue in Vice: Short-sightedness in the study of moral emotions](#). *Emotion Review*, 3(3), 276-277.

Valdesolo, P., Ouyang, J. & DeSteno, D.A. (2010). [The rhythm of joint action: Synchrony promotes cooperative ability](#). *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 46, 693-695.

Valdesolo, P. & DeSteno, D.A. (2008). [The Duality of Virtue: Deconstructing the Moral Hypocrite](#). *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 44 (5), 1334-1338.

-Featured in Editor's choice, *Science*, May 9 2008

Valdesolo, P. & DeSteno, D.A. (2007). [Moral Hypocrisy: Social Groups and the Flexibility of Virtue](#). *Psychological Science*, 18 (8), 689-690.

Valdesolo, P. & DeSteno, D.A. (2006). [Manipulations of Emotional Context Shape Moral Decision Making](#). *Psychological Science*, 17 (6), 476-477.

Desteno, D.A., Valdesolo, P., & Bartlett, M.Y. (2006). [Jealousy and the threatened self: Getting to the heart of the green-eyed monster](#). *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 91 (4), 626-641.

## PRESENTATIONS

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### *Invited Talks*

Valdesolo, P. (May, 2021) *Awe and Order*. Invited panelist, Resilience Symposium, New York City, NY.

Valdesolo, P. (Dec. 2019). *The Power of Wonder: Modern Marvels in a Scientific Age*. Invited panelist, New York Academy of Sciences, New York City, NY.

Valdesolo, P. (Nov, 2019). *Moral Violence Needs no Dehumanization*. Carleton College, Northfield, MN.

Valdesolo, P. (Nov 2019). *Dehumanization and Moral Harm*. Claremont Graduate University, Claremont CA.

Valdesolo, P. (May 2018). *Harm Hype-othesis*. Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA.

Valdesolo, P. (Nov, 2018) *Awe & Order*. Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (May, 2018). *Bridging Ideological Divides*. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. Pomona, CA

**Valdesolo, P.** (Mar, 2018). *Success, Luck and Gratitude*. Happiness and Well Being Pre-conference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Nov, 2017). *Awe & Order*. University of California, Los Angeles. Los Angeles, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Oct, 2017). *Awe and Scientific Explanation*. Paper presented at the 7C Psychology Research Panel, Claremont Colleges, Claremont, CA.

**Valdesolo, P., Shtulman, A. & Baron, A.S.** (May, 2016) *Awe and Science Learning*. Workshop on Epistemic Emotions, University of California Berkeley, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Nov, 2014) *Awe & Order*. University of California Riverside, Riverside, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Feb, 2014) *Moral Emotions*. Guest Lecturer, Seminar in Moral Psychology, University of Iowa.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Jan, 2014) *Compassion for one, Compassion for All*. Stanford Center for Compassion and Altruism.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Dec, 2013) *Awe, Uncertainty and Agency Detection*. Skeptic Society Lecture Series, Caltech, Pasadena, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Dec, 2013) *Community building and online resources for Veterans*. Invited talk at Facebook Headquarters, Menlo Park, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Oct 2013) *Moral Emotions*. Occidental College, Highland Park, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Sep, 2013) True Colors: Learning to tell the sheep from the Wolves. Vail Living Well Summit, Vail, CO.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Apr 2013) *Outbreaks of Mistrust: Principles of Spread and Containment*. Rady School of Management, UCSD, San Diego, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Nov, 2012) *Affiliation Cues and Conflict Resolution*. Invited talk at Facebook Headquarters, Menlo Park, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Oct. 2012) *Moral Psychology*. Guest Lecturer, Seminar in Social Cognition, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Oct 2012) *Moral Hypocrisy*. Guest Lecturer, Seminar in Psychology of Morality, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Mar, 2012) *Social Emotions and Morality*. Guest Lecturer, Mind Perception and Agency Lab, University of Maryland.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Feb, 2012) *Social Movements*. Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Nov, 2011; Nov 2012) *Psychology of Morality*. Guest Lecturer, Seminar in Social Psychology, Pomona College, Claremont CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Nov, 2011) *Social Movements*. University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Feb, 2011) *Unity in body and mind: The social function of coordinated action*. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Nov. 2010) *Dancing with the Devil: Synchrony modulates judgments of moral character*. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Nov, 2010) *The Flexibility of Morality*. Davidson College, Davidson, NC.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Oct 2010) *Unity in body and mind: The influence of coordinated movement on moral value*. Northeastern University, Boston, MA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (March 2010) *The functional elasticity of morality*. Evolution of Human Nature Lecture Series, Amherst College, Amherst, MA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (February 2010) *The functional elasticity of morality*. Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY.

**Valdesolo, P.** (February 2010) *In-group morality*. Suffolk University, Boston, MA

**Valdesolo, P.** (April, 2009) *In group morality*. Guest Lecturer, Religion in Scientific Perspective, Amherst College, Amherst, MA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (February, 2009) *Social function of morality*. University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Amherst MA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (October, 2008). *Social function of morality*. Hampshire College, Amherst, MA.

### *Conference Presentations*

**Valdesolo, P.** (Feb, 2019). *How to select and manage academic service for personal and institutional benefits*. Panelist on professional development symposium accepted for presentation at the 20<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.

Rai, T. S., **Valdesolo, P.**, & Graham, J. (2018, March). *Dehumanization increases instrumental violence, but not moral violence*. Paper accepted for presentation at the 19th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.

**Valdesolo, P.**, & Bartlett, M.A. (Jan, 2018). *Success, Luck and Gratitude*. Paper accepted for presentation at the meeting for Emerging Insights from the Science of Gratitude, Chapel Hill, NC.

**Valdesolo, P.**, Park, J., Gottlieb, S. (May, 2017). *Awe and Scientific Explanation*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.

Bartlett, M.A., **Valdesolo, P.**, Arpin, S.N. (May, 2017). *The Most Powerful May Be the Most Grateful: Self-esteem Links Power and Gratitude*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.

Park, J.\*, **Valdesolo, P.** & Gottlieb, S. (Feb 2017). *Awe and Scientific Explanation*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Wu, J.\*, Paeng, E.\*, Linder, K\*., Boerkoel J.C. & **Valdesolo, P.** (Nov, 2016). *Trust and Cooperation in Human-Robot Decision Making*. Paper accepted for



presentation at Artificial Intelligence for Human-Robot Interaction, Arlington, VA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (June, 2016) *Awe and Scientific Explanation*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Austin, TX.

Rai, T. S., **Valdesolo, P.**, & Graham, J. (2016, May). When the suffering mind is the moral goal: Moral violence is not caused by dehumanization. Paper presented at the 28th annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

**Valdesolo, P.**, Fu, Y.\* & Dziewulski, K.\* (Apr 2016) *Inconceivable! The Effect of Improbability on Awe and Meaning*. Poster accepted for presentation at the Western Psychological Association, Long Beach, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.**, Park, J.\*, & Gotlieb, S (Feb, 2016). *Awe and Scientific Explanation*. Poster accepted for presentation at annual meeting of Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San, Diego, CA.

Bartlett, M.A., Ornelas, M.\* & **Valdesolo, P.** (Jan, 2016). *When power increases gratitude*. Poster accepted for presentation at annual meeting of Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San, Diego, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.**, Osthoff-Magalhaes, I.\*, Linder, K.\* (May, 2014) *Awe and Power*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual convention of the Association of Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.** & Graham, J. (May, 2014). *Awe, uncertainty and agency detection*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual convention of the Association of Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.

Osthoff-Magalhaes, I.\* **Valdesolo, P.**, & Bartlett, M.A. (Feb 2014). *Beating them down with kindness: Gift-giving shapes interpersonal power*. Poster accepted for presentation at annual meeting of Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.

DeSteno, D.A., Condon, P. & **Valdesolo, P.** (Sep, 2013). *Nudging Compassion: Two routes to enlightenment and resilience*. Paper accepted for presentation at annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Berkeley, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.,** Osthoff-Magalhaes, I.\* , Reddy, P.\* (Apr, 2013). *Beating them down with kindness: Gift-giving shapes interpersonal power*. Poster accepted for presentation at annual meeting of Western Psychological Association, Reno, NV.

**Valdesolo, P.,** Chen, K\* & Jokela, S.\* (Apr, 2013). *Entitativity moderates efficacy of responses to Institutional corruption*. Poster accepted for presentation at annual meeting of Western Psychological Association, Reno, NV.

**Valdesolo, P.,** & Graham, J. (2013). *Bridging ideological divides*. Claremont Symposium on Applied Social Psychology, Claremont, CA (co-chair). Speakers: Pete Ditto, Yoel Inbar, Ronnie Janoff-Bulman, Lee Jussim, Jamie Napier, Linda Skitka, Adam Waytz, Robb Willer.

**Valdesolo, P** & DeSteno, D. (Jan, 2013) *Compassion and Conflict Resolution in Facebook*. Project presented at Facebook Compassion Day, Facebook Headquarters, Menlo Park, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.,** Jokela, S.\* , & Chen, K.\* (Jan, 2013) *Compassion for one, Compassion for all*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Oct, 2012) *Gaming moral judgment*. Paper presented at USC Game Theory Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

**Valdesolo, P** & DeSteno, D. (July, 2012) *The Social Tuning of Compassion*. Paper presented at Facebook Compassion Day, Facebook Headquarters, Menlo Park, CA.

**Valdesolo, P.,** Graham, J., & Srinivasan, M.\* (May 2012) *Awe, Ambiguity and Agency Detection*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

**Foda, M.\* & Valdesolo, P.** (May, 2012) *Moving the Masses: Synchrony increases persuasion*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

**Wiltermuth, S., Valdesolo, P.** & Harmon, D. (Oct, 2011) *Synchrony and the Reduced Sense of Self*. Paper accepted for presentation at annual meeting of the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, Washington, D.C.

**Valdesolo, P. & Winter, W.\*** (July, 2011). *Dancing with the Devil: Synchrony modulates moral judgment and action*. Paper accepted for presentation as part of symposium *Synchrony in Body and Mind* (Chair) at the annual meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology, Stockholm, Sweden.

**Valdesolo, P., Lehr, S., Banaji, M., & Lessig, L.** (May, 2011). *Perceptions of Institutional Corruption: One Bad apple spoils the barrel*. Poster accepted for presentation at the Annual Convention for the Association of Psychological Science, Washington, DC.

Lehr, S., Paharia, N., **Valdesolo, P.**, Lessig, L. & Banaji, M. (May, 2011) *The Consequences of Implicit Money Attitudes*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual convention for the Association of Psychological Science, Washington, D.C.

Mestre, J.\* & **Valdesolo, P.** (January, 2011). *Rebels with a cause: The impact of group membership on evaluations of moral rebellion*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Winter, W.\* & **Valdesolo, P.** (January, 2011). *Dancing with the devil: rhythmic entrainment modulates moral judgment and decision-making* Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

**Valdesolo, P.** (Oct 2010) *Rhythm of Joint Action: Synchrony Promotes Cooperative Ability*. Paper accepted for presentation at the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, Minneapolis, MN.

**Valdesolo, P & DeSteno, D.A.** (August 2009) *Egoism and Altruism: Compassion on Two Levels*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the International Society for Research on Emotion, Leuven, Belgium.

**Valdesolo, P & DeSteno, D.A.** (May, 2009) *The Social Tuning of Compassion*. Paper accepted for presentation as part of symposium *Talk is Cheap: Prosocial Behavior in Action* (Chair) at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.

**Valdesolo, P. & DeSteno, D.A.** (February, 2009) *The Social Tuning of Compassion: the long and the short of altruism*. Poster accepted for presentation at the Emotion preconference, at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Tampa, FL.

**Valdesolo, P.** (August, 2008) *For whom do we feel? Similarity and empathy as mediators for Moral Interpersonal and Intergroup Behavior*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

**Valdesolo, P. & DeSteno, D.A.** (May, 2008) *Perceptions of Similarity Determine Empathy-Based Altruism*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

**Valdesolo, P.** (February, 2008) *On Villians and Victims: Group Membership as a Determinant of Emotion-based Moral Judgment*. Poster accepted for presentation at the Group Processes and Intergroup Relations Preconference, at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Albuquerque, NM.

**Valdesolo, P.** (August, 2006). *Contextual Sensitivity of Moral Judgment*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the International Society for Research on Emotion, Atlanta, GA.

**Valdesolo, P.** (May, 2006). *Manipulations of Emotional Context Shape Moral Decision Making*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, New York, NY.

DeSteno, D., **Valdesolo, P.**, & Bartlett, M. (January, 2005). *Jealousy and the threatened self*. Poster accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.

\* Undergraduate Collaborator

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Social Psychology, *Northeastern University, Claremont McKenna College, Macalester College, St Olaf College*

Research Methods and Experimental Design, *Claremont McKenna College*  
Emotion, *Claremont McKenna College, Harvard University, Amherst College, Macalester College*

Psychology of Morality, *Claremont McKenna College, Harvard University, Amherst College*

Making-Meaning, *Macalester College*

Bad Science, *Claremont McKenna College*

Statistics and Experimental Design, *Amherst College*

## UNDERGRADUATE THESIS ADVISING

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2019- 2020 Lyndsey Seidner, Lena Merserau  
2018-2019 Allison Crum, Jackson Zeledon  
2016-2017 Anoush Baghdassarian, Helen Seligman  
2015-2016 Daniel Schmidt, Huakai Liao, Joseph Mondello  
2014-2015 Andrew Levihn-Coon  
2013-2014 Kelly Chen, Annika Jessen  
2012-2013 Isabela Osthoff Magalhaes, Jeanine Kelber  
2010-2011 Jenifer Ouyang (Project published in *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*), Warren Winter, Jessica Mestre, Wen Zhang  
2009-2010 Jake Duker, Tiffany Lim

## SERVICE

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### *Ad Hoc Reviewing*

American Sociological Review, Cognition, Cognition and Emotion, Evolution and Human Behavior, European Journal of Social Psychology, Emotion, Emotion Review, Journal of Applied Social Psychology, Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, Journal of Experimental Psychology: General, Journal of Nonverbal Behavior, Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, Motivation and Emotion, National Science Foundation, Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin, PLoS One, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Psychological Science, Social and Personality Psychology Compass, Social Psychology, Social Psychological and Personality Science

### *College Committee Work*

Faculty Research Committee (2022 - present)  
Teaching Evaluation Committee (2018 - 2022)  
Admissions and Financial Aid Committee (2012-2020; 2022- present)  
Faculty Advisor of Psychology Club and Claremont Chapter of Psi Chi (2012 2020; 2022 - present)  
Curriculum Committee (2017 - 2020)  
Council of Chairs (2017 - 2020)  
Board of Trustees Student Affairs Committee (2016-2018)  
Administration Committee (2015-2017)  
Claremont McKenna Activities Committee (2012-2013)  
Student Recruitment (2012-2013)  
Faculty Athletic Representative (2012-2013)

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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American Psychological Association (Division 2, Division 8)  
Society for Personality and Social Psychology  
Association for Psychological Science  
Society for Affective Science  
Society of Experimental Social Psychology  
Society for Philosophy and Psychology  
Western Psychological Association

## SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE OF RESEARCH

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*Aeon* (Dec, 2017)  
*The Atlantic* (June, 2011; Dec 2016)  
*Boston Globe* (August, 2006; Sep 2020)  
*Daily Mail* (Nov, 2013)  
*Discovery Channel* (May, 2010)  
*Forbes.com* (July, 2012)  
*Harvard Business Review* (June 2014)  
*Huffington Post* (Dec, 2013; Feb, 2014; April, 2014)  
*Independent* (Nov, 2013)  
*LA Times* (July, 2008)  
*Motherjones* (May, 2016)  
*Nature* (Aug, 2013)  
*Newsweek* (June 2008)  
*New York Academy of Sciences* (Sep, 2013)  
*New York Times* (July 2008, July 2012, July 2013, Jan 2014)  
*NPR* (Nov, 2009; May, 2011; June, 2011; Aug, 2013; Nov, 2013; May 2021)  
*Pacific Standard* (Sep, 2014)  
*Salon* (Aug 2013, Nov 2013)  
*Science*, Editor's Choice (May, 2008)  
*Scientific American* (March, 2014; Sep, 2015)  
*Slate* (Dec, 2013; Jan, 2015)  
*Time* (Nov 2013)  
*USA Today* (May, 2011)  
*Vice* (Nov 2013)  
*Washington Post* (March, 2007; Aug 2013)

## POPULAR WRITING

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**Valdesolo, P.** (2018). The Danger of judging scientists by what they discover. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2018). How fathers can change what it means to be a man. *Scientific American*.

**Rai, T. Valdesolo, P. & Graham, J.** (2017). Our enemies are human: that's why we want to kill them. *Aeon*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2017) How awe shapes views of science. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2016) Is swearing a sign of a limited vocabulary. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2015) Fixing the problem of liberal bias in social psychology. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2014) The secret to a successful Thanksgiving: Free will. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2014) Trust in science reduces concerns about climate change. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2014) An unusual cure for not enough sleep. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2013) Scientists find one source of prayer's power. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2013) The psychological power of Satan. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2013) Just thinking about science triggers moral behavior. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2013) Smile: you are about to lose. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2013) Psychologists uncover hidden signals of trust using a robot. *Scientific American*.

**Ward, A & Valdesolo, P.** (2012) What internet habits say about mental health. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2012) What a yawn says about your relationship. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2011) How our brains turn women into objects. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2011) Bet on the losing team. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2011) A Scientific dating insight: Create uncertainty. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2011) Forbidding makes the heart grow fonder. *Psychology Today*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2011) Parenthood and delusions of pleasure. *Psychology Today*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2011) You aren't what you eat: judging character from food. *Psychology Today*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2011) Wolves in sheep's clothing. *Psychology Today*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2010) Why magical thinking works for some people. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2010) The neuroscience of distance and desire. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2010) Flattery will get you far. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2009) The New Science of Temptation. *Scientific American*.

**Valdesolo, P.** (2009) Come Together: Our need to cooperate. *Scientific American*.