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Academic Appointments

Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University 2019-Present
Postdoctoral Scholar; Dispute Resolution Research Center

Education

Simon Fraser University, Ph.D. Social Psychology 2015-2019

Dissertation: The Luck of the Draw: How Attributions for Poverty Shape Support for Economic Inequality. [doi:10.31237/osf.io/dhwj3](https://doi.org/10.31237/osf.io/dhwj3)
Supervisors: Drs. Lara B. Aknin and Azim F. Shariff

Simon Fraser University, M.A. Social Psychology 2013-2015

Thesis: The rags-to-riches story of income mobility and its impact on emotional well-being. [doi:10.31237/osf.io/5wf4a](https://doi.org/10.31237/osf.io/5wf4a)
Supervisors: Drs. Lara B. Aknin and Azim F. Shariff

MacEwan University, B.A. (Hons) Psychology 2009-2013

Thesis: Locus of Control and Political Ideology
Supervisors: Dr. Craig W. Blatz

Programming

Languages: R, Python, SQL

Technical Skills: Data cleaning, compiling, visualizing, and analyzing; Web scraping; Database creation and management; Command line and Git; Machine learning; Natural language processing

Publications

Journal Articles

5. **Wiwad, D.**, Mercier, B., Maraun, M. D., Robinson, A. R., Piff, P. K., Aknin, L. B., & Shariff, A. F. (2019). The Support for Economic Inequality Scale: Development and adjudication. *PLoS ONE*, 14, e0218685. [doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0218685](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0218685)
4. Aknin L. B., **Wiwad, D.**, & Girme, Y. U. (2019). Not all gifts are good: The potential practical costs of motivated gifts. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*, 49, 75-85. [doi:10.1111/jasp.12566](https://doi.org/10.1111/jasp.12566)

3. Aknin, L. B., **Wiwad, D.**, & Hanniball, K. (2018). Buying well-being: Spending behavior and happiness. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, 12, e12386. [doi:10.1111/spc3.12386](https://doi.org/10.1111/spc3.12386)
- **Top 20 most read paper in SPPC 2017-2018**
2. **Wiwad, D.**, & Aknin, L. B. (2017). Motives matter: The emotional consequences of recalled self- and other-focused prosocial behavior. *Motivation and Emotion*, 41, 730-740. [doi:10.1007/s11031-017-9638-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11031-017-9638-2)
1. Shariff, A. F., **Wiwad, D.**, & Aknin, L. B. (2016). Income mobility breeds tolerance for economic inequality: Cross-national and experimental evidence. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 11, 373-380. [doi:10.1177/1745691616635596](https://doi.org/10.1177/1745691616635596)

Book Chapters

1. Hanniball., K., Aknin, L. B., & **Wiwad, D.** (2017). Spending money well. In D. Dunn (Ed.), *Positive Psychology: Established and Emerging Issues*. New York, NY:Routledge.

Manuscripts Under Review

2. Mercier, B., **Wiwad, D.**, Aknin, L.B., Piff, P. K., & Shariff, A. F. (Under Review). Does belief in free will increase support for economic inequality? *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*. [Preprint](#).
1. **Wiwad, D.**, Piff, P. K., Robinson, A. R., Shariff, A. F., & Aknin, L. B. (Under Review, R&R). Inequality and the "self-made poor": Motivating egalitarian behaviour by shifting attributions for poverty. *Nature Human Behavior*.

Manuscripts In Prep

3. **Wiwad, D.**, Shariff, A., & Aknin, L. B. (In Prep). Cross-Socioeconomic contact may bolster willingness to help those in need.
2. **Wiwad, D.**, Mercier, B., Shariff, A. F., Piff, P. K., & Aknin, L. B. (In Prep). Evidence for a feedback loop between economic inequality and food insecurity: A longitudinal multilevel analysis.
1. **Wiwad, D.**, Piff, P. K., Shariff, A. F., & Aknin, L. B. (In Prep, Stage 1 Registered Report). Overestimations of welfare spending and downstream support for economic inequality.

Research Funding

1. **2017-18** Mitacs Accelerate Internship \$15,000
Project Title: *Understanding and Improving Techniques to Teach Financial Literacy in Children*
2. **2017-18** Professional Development Grant (Co-applicant) \$7,500
Project Title: *Reducing the Correspondence Bias in Perceptions of the Poor*

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| 3. 2015-19 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship | \$80,000 |
| 4. 2015-16 Professional Development Grant (Co-applicant)
Project Title: <i>Examining the Causes and Consequences of the American Dream</i> | \$7,500 |
| 5. 2015 Psychology Department Research Grant | \$3,000 |
| 6. 2014-15 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) CGS Master's Award | \$17,500 |
| 7. 2014 Dean of Graduate Studies Travel and Minor Research Award | \$400 |
| 8. 2014 Professional Development Travel Grant | \$500 |
| 9. 2013 Research Assistantship, Dr. Lara B. Akinin | \$5,000 |

Awards and Recognitions

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| 1. 2018 Council of Canadian Departments of Psychology Certificate of Teaching Excellence; Teaching Assistantship Award | \$50 |
| 2. 2016 SPSP Student Travel Award | \$750 |
| 3. 2016 Council of Canadian Departments of Psychology Certificate of Teaching Excellence; Teaching Assistantship Award | \$50 |
| 4. 2015 Simon Fraser University Graduate Fellowship | \$3,125 |
| 5. 2014 First place poster award, Happiness and Well-being preconference, Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology | \$600 |
| 6. 2013-14 Simon Fraser University Graduate Entrance Scholarship | \$6,250 |
| 7. 2013 Simon Fraser University Special Graduate Entrance Scholarship | \$2,000 |
| 8. 2013 MacEwan Medal of Academic Excellence | \$- |

Chaired Symposia

1. **Wiwad, D.** (2018). Inequality, Perceived Mobility, and Economic Growth: Advances and Future Directions. Symposium organized and chaired for *The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Atlanta, GA.
2. **Wiwad, D.** (2017). Blinded by the American Dream: Inaccurate perceptions of Economic Inequality and Their Unfortunate Downstream Consequences. Symposium organized and chaired for *The Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Association for Psychological Science*, Boston, MA.
3. **Wiwad, D., & Davidai, S.** (2015). Economic inequality, social mobility, and well-being. Symposium organized and chaired for the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of *The Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Long Beach, CA.

Oral Presentations

1. Piff, P. K., **Wiwad, D.**, Robinson A. R., Aknin, L. B., Shariff, A. F. (2019, February). Inequality maintenance and the myth of the deserving poor. Presentation at *The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. Portland, OR.
2. Mercier, B., **Wiwad, D.**, Aknin, L. B., Piff, P. K., Robinson, A. R., Shariff, F. (2019, February). Does belief in free will increase support for economic inequality. Presentation at *The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. Portland, OR.
3. Piff, P. K., **Wiwad, D.**, Robinson A. R., Aknin, L. B., Shariff, A. F. (2018, October). The self-made poor? Deservingness and the defense of economic inequality. Presentation at *The 54th Annual Meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology*, Seattle, WA.
4. **Wiwad, D.**, Mercier, B., Maraun, M. D., Robinson, A. R., Piff, P. K., Aknin, L. B., & Shariff, A. F. (2018, March). Support for economic inequality: Development and Validation of a new scale. Presentation at *The Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Atlanta, GA.
5. Shariff, A. F., **Wiwad, D.**, Piff, P. K., Aknin, L. B., Mercier, B., Robinson, A. R. (2018, March). Inequality tolerance. Presentation at *The Psychology of Inequality and Social Class Preconference at The Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Atlanta, GA.
6. **Wiwad, D.** (2017, December). The science of happy giving. Invited Presentation at *The Canadian Association of Gift Planners*, Victoria, BC.
7. **Wiwad, D.**, Shariff, A. F., & Aknin, L. B. (2017, May). Income mobility breeds tolerance for income inequality: Cross-national and experimental evidence. Presentation at *The Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Association for Psychological Science*, Boston, MA.
8. Shariff, A. F., **Wiwad, D.**, & Aknin, L. B. (2017, January). Income mobility breeds tolerance for income inequality. Presentation at *The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, San Antonio, TX.
9. Mercier, B., **Wiwad, D.**, Aknin, L. B., Lee, K., Vohs, K. D., & Shariff, A. F. (2016, August). Punitive Inequity Aversion: Do Americans want to eat the rich? Presentation at *The Tobin Project Conference on Inequality and Decision Making*, Cambridge, MA.
10. **Wiwad, D.**, Aknin, L. B., Shariff, A. F. (2016, June). Income mobility breeds tolerance for income inequality: Cross-national and experimental evidence. Presentation at *The Canadian Psychological Association 77th Annual Conference*, Victoria, BC.
11. Shariff, A. F., **Wiwad, D.**, & Aknin, L. B. (2015, September). The emotional consequences of perceived income mobility. Presentation at *The 51st Annual Meeting of the Society of Experimental Social Psychology*, Denver, CO.
12. **Wiwad, D.**, & Aknin, L. B. (2015, June). The predicted versus experienced emotional benefits of altruistic versus selfish helping. Presentation at *The Canadian Psychological Association 76th Annual Conference*, Ottawa, ON.
13. Aknin, L. B., & **Wiwad, D.** (2015, June) Do motives matter? Presentation at *The Canadian Institute for Advanced Research*, Toronto, ON.

14. **Wiwad, D.,** Aknin, L. B., & Shariff, A. (2015, February). Belief in high social mobility and emotional well-being. *Presentation at the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Long Beach, CA.
15. **Wiwad, D.,** Aknin, L. B., & Shariff, A. F. (2014, June). I'm Happy I can get rich: Seeing social mobility through rose-tinted glasses. *Presentation at The Canadian Psychological Association 75th Annual Conference*, Vancouver, BC.
16. **Wiwad, D.,** & Blatz, C. W. (2013, April). Locus of control and political orientation. Presentation at *The 2013 Annual Honors Student Showcase*, Edmonton, AB.

Poster Presentations.

1. **Wiwad, D.,** & Aknin, L. B. (2017, January). The potential costs of motivated gifts. Poster presented at *The Judgment and Decision Making preconference at The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, San Antonio, TX.
2. **Wiwad, D.,** & Aknin, L. B. (2017, January). Motives matter: Does giving with self-focused motives undermine the emotional rewards of prosocial behaviour? Poster presented at *The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, San Antonio, TX.
3. **Wiwad, D.,** Aknin, L. B., & Shariff, A. (2016, January). Income mobility breeds tolerance for income inequality: Cross-national and experimental evidence. Poster presented at *The Political Psychology Preconference of the Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, San Diego, CA.
4. Mercier, B., & **Wiwad, D.** (2016, January). The relationships about beliefs about human nature and support for personal liberty. Poster presented at *The Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, San Diego, CA.
5. **Wiwad, D.,** & Aknin, L. B. (2015, February). The emotional consequences of altruistic and selfish helping. Poster presented at *The Happiness and Well-Being Preconference of the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Long Beach, CA.
6. **Wiwad, D.,** Aknin, L. B., & Shariff, A. F. (2014, June). Movin' on up (or down): How perceptions of social mobility influence well-being. Poster Presented at *The 2014 Biennial Conference of the International Society for Justice Research*, New York, NY.
7. **Wiwad, D.,** Aknin, L. B., & Shariff, A. F. (2014, February). Movin' on up (or down): How perceptions of social mobility influence well-being. Poster Presented at *The Happiness and Well-Being Preconference at the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Austin, TX.
8. **Wiwad, D.,** & Blatz, C. W. (2014, February). The not-so-fearful conservative: How locus of control influences political ideology. Poster presented at *The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*, Austin, TX.

Industry Experience

Dojo Technology Corporation

2017-18

Behavioural and Data Scientist

Designed large-scale experimental tests of the Dojo financial literacy application

Analyzed large, longitudinal financial behavioural data

Teaching Experience

1. Instructor for Introduction to Social Psychology, Spring 2019
2. Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Data Analysis in Psychology (x2)
Designed and taught 2 two-hour tutorials per week, 20 students each
3. Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Social Psychology (x6)
4. Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Research Methods (x7)
Taught 2 two-hour tutorials per week, 20 students each
5. Teaching Assistant for Psychology of Intergroup Relations (x1)

Service

Organizational Service

Reviewer for the Student Outstanding Researcher and Student Outstanding Poster Awards for The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology

2016

Departmental Service

Graduate Student Society committee member;
Psychology department representative (Elected position)

2014-2018

Graduate Caucus; Experimental Departmental Representative (Elected position)

2014-2018

Graduate student representative of the hiring committee;
Social psychology area

2016

Ad-hoc Reviewer for:

Journal of Experimental Social Psychology
Social Psychological and Personality Science
European Journal of Social Psychology
International Journal of Psychology

Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin
Basic and Applied Social Psychology
The Social Science Journal
Revista Psicologia Social

Professional Memberships

Society for the Improvement of Psychological Science, Member	2017-Present
Association for Psychological Science, Graduate Student Affiliate	2016-Present
Canadian Psychological Association, Graduate Student Affiliate	2013-Present
Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Graduate Student Affiliate	2013-Present