

# Derek M. Novacek

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System  
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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Dec. 2019 – Present **Assistant Project Scientist**  
Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences  
David Geffen School of Medicine  
University of California, Los Angeles

### EDUCATION & TRAINING

Sept. 2019 – Present **VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System**  
Desert Pacific Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center  
Advanced Fellowship in Mental Illness Research and Treatment  
Advisor: Michael F. Green, Ph.D.

2018 – 2019 **University of California, Los Angeles**  
Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
APA-Accredited Internship in Clinical Psychology  
Major Mental Illness Track  
Advisor: Keith H. Nuechterlein, Ph.D.

2013 – 2019 **Emory University**  
Doctor of Philosophy, Clinical Psychology, August 2019  
Dissertation: *Psychosis-risk among Black American youth: The role of stressful experiences and cognitive schemas*  
Advisor: Elaine F. Walker, Ph.D.

2013 – 2015 **Emory University**  
Master of Arts, Clinical Psychology, August 2015  
Master's Thesis: *Youth at clinical high-risk for psychosis with an autism spectrum diagnosis: Symptomatology, premorbid adjustment, and current functioning*  
Advisor: Elaine F. Walker, Ph.D.

2009 – 2013 **University of Notre Dame**  
Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, May 2013  
Honors Thesis: *Personality traits and psychosocial functioning impairments associated with psychotic symptoms*  
Advisor: Lee Anna Clark, Ph.D.

## GRANT FUNDING

UCLA Cousins Center for Psychoneuroimmunology

Seed Grant Program

*An examination of the psychological and immunological correlates of discrimination in a community-based sample of Black Americans*

Principal Investigators: Derek Novacek, Yvonne Yang

Project Period: December 2021 (anticipated start) – December 2023

Total Direct Costs: \$30,000

## TRAINING FELLOWSHIPS

Sept. 2020 – Present **Early Career Scholar, HIV/AIDS, Substance Abuse, and Trauma Training Program, University of California, Los Angeles**

Agency: National Institute on Drug Abuse

Grant Number: 5R25DA035692-07

Period: 09/11/2020 – 09/10/2022

Mentor: Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D.

2014 – 2015 **Predocctoral Fellow, Initiative for Maximizing Student Development, Emory University**

Agency: National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)

Grant Number: 3R25GM099644-03S1

Period: 01/01/2014 – 12/31/2015

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Waford, R. N., Macdonald, A. N., Goines, K. B., **Novacek, D. M.**, Trotman, H. D., Walker, E. F., Addington, J. Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K. S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinssen, R., Mathalon, D. H., Tsuang, M. T., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Woods, S. W., & McGlashan, T. (2015). Demographic correlates of attenuated positive psychotic symptoms. *Schizophrenia Research, 166*, 31-36.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Gooding, D. C., & Pflum, M. J. (2016). Hedonic capacity in the broader autism phenotype: Should social anhedonia be considered a characteristic feature? *Frontiers in Psychology, 7*, 1-8.

Macdonald, A. N., Goines, K. B., **Novacek, D. M.**, & Walker, E. F. (2016). Prefrontal mechanisms of comorbidity from a transdiagnostic and ontogenic perspective. *Development and Psychopathology, 28*, 1147-1175.

Macdonald, A. N., Goines, K. B., **Novacek, D. M.**, & Walker, E. F. (2017). Psychosis-risk syndromes: Implications for ethically informed policies and practices. *Policy Insights from the Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 4*(1), 88-95.

Murphy, M. T., Burrell, L. T., Cubells, J. F., España, R. A., Gambello, M. J., Goines, K. C. B., Klaiman, C., Li, L., **Novacek, D. M.**, Papetti, A., Sanchez Russo, R. L., Saulnier, C. A., Shultz, S., Walker, E. F., Mulle, J. G. (2018). Study protocol for the Emory 3q29 project: Evaluation of neurodevelopmental, psychiatric, and medical symptoms in 3q29 deletion syndrome. *BMC Psychiatry, 18*, 1-10.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Hampton-Anderson, J. N., Ebor, M. T., Loeb, T. B., & Wyatt, G. E. (2020). Mental health ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Black Americans: Clinical and research recommendations. *Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy, 12*(5), 449-451.

Loeb, T. B., Ebor, M. T., Smith, A. M., Chin, D., **Novacek, D. M.**, Hampton-Anderson, J. N., Norwood-Scott, E., Hamilton, A., Brown, A. F., & Wyatt, G. E. (2021). How mental health professionals can

address disparities in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Traumatology*, 27(1), 60-69.

Schwarzbold, M. L., Kern, R. S., **Novacek, D. M.**, McGovern, J. E., Catalano, L. T., & Green, M. F. (2021). Self-stigma in psychotic disorders: Clinical, cognitive, and functional correlates in a diverse sample. *Schizophrenia Research*, 28, 145-150.

Sanchez Russo, R., Gambello, M. J., Murphy, M. M., Aberizk, K., Black, E., Burrell, T. L., Carlock, G., Cubells, J. F., Epstein, M. T., España R. A., Goines, K. B., Guest, R., Klaiman, C., Koh, S., Leslie, E. J., Li, L., **Novacek, D. M.**, Saulnier, C. A., Sefik, E., Schultz, S., Walker, E. F., White, S., The Emory 3q29 Project, & Mulle, J. G. (2021). Deep phenotyping in 3q29 deletion syndrome: Recommendations for clinical care. *Genetics in Medicine*.

Wynn, J. K., McCleery, A., **Novacek, D. M.**, Reavis, E. A., Tsai, J., & Green, M. F. (2021). Clinical and functional effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing on vulnerable Veterans with psychosis or recent homelessness. *Journal of Psychiatric Research*, 138, 42-49.

### MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

DeLuca, J.S., **Novacek, D. M.**, Adery, L. H., Herrera, S. N., Landa, Y., Corcoran, C. M., & Walker, E. F. (revise and resubmit). Equity in mental health services for youth at clinical high-risk for psychosis: Considering marginalized identities and stressors.

McCleery, A., Wynn, J. K., **Novacek, D. M.**, Reavis, E. A., Tsai, J., & Green, M. F. (revise and resubmit). Socioeconomic challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic for Veterans with psychosis or recent homelessness.

Galan, C. A., Tung, I., Tabachnick, A., Sequeira, S., **Novacek, D. M.**, Kahhale, I., Orozoco, N. J., Gonzalez, J. C., Bowdring, M. A., Boness, C. L., & Bekele, B. M. (revise and resubmit). Combatting the conspiracy of silence: Clinician recommendations for talking about racism and racism-related events with youth of color.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Wynn, J. K., Gabrielian, S., Glynn, S. M., Hellemann, G., Horan, W. P., Kern, R. S., Lee, J., Marder, S. M., Sugar, C., & Green, M. F. (under review). Examining racial differences in community integration between Black and White Veterans experiencing homelessness.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Wynn, J. K., McCleery, A., Reavis, E. A., Senturk, D., Sugar, C., Tsai, J., & Green, M. F. (under review). Racial differences in the psychosocial response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Veterans with psychosis or recent homelessness.

### PUBLISHED BOOK CHAPTERS

Walker, E. F., Ryan, A. T., Goines, K. B., **Novacek, D. M.**, Goulding, S. M., Brasfield, J. L., Macdonald, A. N., & Trotman, H. D. (2016). Multilevel approaches to the schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders: The biobehavioral interface. In D. Cicchetti (Ed.), *Developmental Psychopathology* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). New York, NY: John Wiley & Sons.

Goines, K. B., LoPilato, A. M., **Novacek, D. M.**, España, R. A., Walker, E. F. (2019). Stress in schizophrenia. In E. Hayden & K. Harkness (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Stress and Mental Health*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

**Novacek, D. M.**, LoPilato, A. M., Goines, K. B., Trotman, H. D., Compton, M. T., & Walker, E. F. (2019). Cultural considerations in the treatment of African American youth with attenuated psychosis syndrome: The importance of socio-contextual and clinical factors. In H. Li, L. Seidman, & D. Shapiro (Eds.), *Handbook of Attenuated Psychosis Syndrome Across Cultures: International Perspectives on Early Identification and Intervention*. New York, NY: Springer Publishing.

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS (NON-PEER-REVIEWED)

- Novacek, D.M.** (2016). How to get in: Applying to psychology grad school. *Association for Psychological Science Observer*, 29(9).
- Novacek, D. M.** (2018). How to increase representation among clinical scientists. *Clinical Science*, 21(1), 4-5. (newsletter publication for the Society for a Science of Clinical Psychology)
- Loeb, T. B., Morehead-Gee, A., **Novacek, D. M.** (2021). Did racism kill Jackie Robinson? *The Conversation*.

## CONFERENCE, MEETING, AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

### Oral Presentations

- Novacek, D. M.**, LoPilato, A. M., Goines, K. B., Trotman, H. D., Compton, M. T., & Walker, E. F. (November 2018). *How do we treat Black Americans at clinical high-risk of developing psychosis? A critical review of socio-contextual factors and cultural considerations*. In symposium: Treatment implications for working with diverse clients at clinical high-risk for psychosis. Oral presentation at the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy, Washington, D.C.
- Novacek, D. M.**, Goines, K. B., Hampton, J. N., Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinssen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (June 2019). *Psychosis-risk among Black Americans: The role of stressful experiences and cognitive schemas*. Oral presentation at the UCLA Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Los Angeles, CA.
- Novacek, D. M.**, Goines, K. B., Hampton, J. N., Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinssen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (November 2019). *Stress sensitivity and cognitive schemas in Black American youth at clinical high-risk for developing psychosis*. In symposium: Context matters: Sociocultural considerations for psychosis-risk and early psychosis. Oral presentation at the 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy, Atlanta, GA.
- Novacek, D. M.** (March 2021). *Does race matter for the community integration of homeless-experienced Veterans?*. Invited colloquium presentation given at Indiana University, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Bloomington, IN.
- Novacek, D. M.** (March 2021). *Does race matter for the community integration of homeless-experienced Veterans?*. Invited colloquium presentation given at Harvard University, Department of Psychology, Cambridge, MA.
- McCleery, A., Wynn, J.K., Reavis, E. A., **Novacek, D. M.**, Green, M. F. (April 2021). *Psychiatric and functional impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing on Veterans with psychotic disorders and recently-housed Veterans*. Oral presentation given at the virtual Congress of the Schizophrenia International Research Society.
- Novacek, D. M.**, Wynn, J. K., McCleery, A., Reavis, E. A., & Green, M. F. (April 2021). *Functioning, psychiatric symptoms, and risk/protective factors among Black and White U.S. Veterans with and without psychosis in the COVID-19 Pandemic*. In Symposium: Racial Disparities in Functional Outcomes among Individuals with Psychotic Disorders. Oral presentation given at the virtual Congress of the Schizophrenia International Research Society.
- Novacek, D. M.** (September 2021). *Does race matter for the community integration of homeless-experienced Veterans?* Invited colloquium presentation given at the University of Tennessee, Department of Psychology, Knoxville, TN.

**Novacek, D. M.** (September 2021). *Racial differences in the psychosocial response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Veterans with psychosis or recent homelessness*. Oral presentation given at the virtual Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology.

### **Poster Presentations**

Elis, O., **Novacek, D. M.**, Gupta, N., & Kring, A. M. (September 2011). *Anticipation of monetary versus social reward*. Poster presentation at the 25th Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology, Boston, MA.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Gooding, D. C., & Pflum, M. J. (November 2012). *A preliminary investigation of the relationship between schizotypal and autistic traits*. Poster presentation at the 2012 Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students, San Jose, CA.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Ro, E., & Clark, L. A. (May 2013). *Psychotic symptoms and personality: Are traits meaningfully associated with the history of psychotic symptoms?* Poster presentation at the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Ro, E., & Clark, L. A. (September 2013). *Psychotic symptoms and interpersonal functioning: What difference does the history of psychotic symptoms and type of relationship make?* Poster presentation at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology, Oakland, CA.

Bridgman, K. C., **Novacek, D. M.**, Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K. S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinsen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (May 2014). *Symptom profile differences exist for CHR individuals with and without ADHD*. Poster presentation at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Bridgman, K. C., Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K. S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinsen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (May 2014). *Prodromal symptoms in clinical high-risk youth with an autism spectrum diagnosis*. Poster presentation at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.

Waford, R. N., Bridgman, K. C., **Novacek, D. M.**, Macdonald, A. N., Trotman, H. D., Walker, E. F., Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinsen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., & Woods, S. W. (September 2014). *Demographic correlates of attenuated positive symptom severity in the prodrome*. Poster presentation at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology, Evanston, IL.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinsen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (September 2014). *Examining prodromal symptoms among racial/ethnic groups in clinical high-risk individuals*. Poster presentation at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology, Evanston, IL.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Gooding, D. C., & Pflum, M. J. (May 2015). *Autistic traits and hedonic capacity: Evidence for social anhedonia as a feature of the broader autism phenotype*. Poster presentation at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, New York, NY.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinsen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (October 2015). *Functional trajectory of youth at clinical high-risk*

*for psychosis with an autism spectrum diagnosis.* Poster presentation at the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology, New Orleans, LA.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Goulding, S. M., Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinssen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (May 2016). *Stress exposure and social cognition in youth at clinical high-risk for psychosis.* Poster presentation at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Goines, K. B., Hampton, J. N., Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinssen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (September 2016). *Black youth at clinical-high risk for psychosis: Prodromal symptoms, stress exposure, and perceived discrimination.* Poster presentation at the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology, Baltimore, MD.

Goldsmith, D. R., Kopelovich, S. L., **Novacek, D. M.**, Widener, J. R., Wommack, E. C., Felger, J. C., Miller, A. H., & Cotes, R. O. (March 2017). *Association between inflammatory markers and negative symptoms in patients with persistent symptoms of schizophrenia treated with clozapine.* Abstract submitted for a poster presentation at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the International Congress on Schizophrenia Research, San Diego, CA.

**Novacek, D. M.**, Addington, J., Bearden, C. E., Cadenhead, K., S., Cannon, T. D., Cornblatt, B. A., Heinssen, R., Mathalon, D. H., McGlashan, T. H., Perkins, D. O., Seidman, L. J., Tsuang, M. T., Woods, S. W., & Walker, E. F. (May 2017). *Core schemas in African American youth at clinical high-risk for psychosis.* Poster presentation at the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.

Sefik, E., Aberizk, K., Espana, R., Guest, R., Goines, K., **Novacek, D. M.**, Pincus, J., Murphy, M., Li, L., Schultz, S., the Emory 3q29 Project, Walker, E. F., & Mulle, J. G. (May 2021). *Structural cerebellar correlates of psychotic and sub-threshold psychotic symptoms in the 3q29 deletion syndrome.* Poster presentation at the Society for Biological Psychiatry Annual Meeting.

#### **OTHER TALKS, PANELS, AND WEBINARS**

Hampton-Anderson, J. N. & **Novacek, D. M.** (Co-Chairs). (June 2020). *Using clinical science to improve the assessment and treatment of underrepresented groups.* Webinar for the Society for a Science of Clinical Psychology Virtual Clinical Lunch Series.

**Novacek, D. M.**, & Hampton-Anderson, J. N. (July 2020). *Mental health ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Black Americans: Clinical and research recommendations.* Oral presentation at the Emory University Psychological Center.

**Novacek, D. M.**, & Hampton-Anderson, J. N. (September 2020). *Mental health ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Black Americans: Clinical and research recommendations.* Oral presentation for the Institute for Healthcare Improvement Chapter at Towson University.

**Novacek, D. M.**, & Hampton-Anderson, J. N. (October 2020). *Mental health ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Black Americans: Clinical and research recommendations.* Oral presentation for the Acadia Healthcare More than Words Webinar Series.

**Novacek, D. M.**, & Hampton-Anderson, J. N. (October 2020). *Mental health ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Black Americans: Clinical and research recommendations.* Oral presentation for the Psychology Club at Alabama State University.

Bath, E., Bonds, C. Green, N., **Novacek, D. M.**, & Wyatt, G. E. (February 2021). *Black Minds Matter.* UCLA Health webinar as part of the Black History Month series.

**Novacek, D. M.** (March 2021). *Does race matter in the community integration of homeless-experienced Veterans?*. Invited presentation given for the Evidence Based Treatment Centers of Seattle, Seattle, WA.

**Novacek, D. M.** (June 2021). *Does race matter in the community integration of homeless-experienced Veterans?*. Invited presentation given for the VA Puget Sound Healthcare System, Seattle Division.

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2019 – Present      **Postdoctoral Fellow, Green Lab**  
UCLA / VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System  
Advisor: Michael F. Green, Ph.D.
- 2013 – 2018        **Graduate Student Researcher, Mental Health and Development Program**  
Emory University  
Advisor: Elaine F. Walker, Ph.D.
- Summer 2012       **Undergraduate Scholar, Psychology Research Experience Program**  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Mentor: Diane C. Gooding, Ph.D.
- Summer 2011       **Undergraduate Scholar, Summer Research Opportunity Program**  
University of California, Berkeley  
Mentor: Ann M. Kring, Ph.D.

## **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

- Jan. 2020 – Present    **Postdoctoral Clinician, CBT for Psychosis Clinic**  
VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System  
Supervisors: Susanna Friedlander, Ph.D., Najwa Culver, Ph.D.
- Jan. – June 2019      **Psychology Intern, Youth Stress and Mood Program**  
University of California, Los Angeles  
Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
Supervisors: Jeanne Miranda, Ph.D., Joan Asarnow, Ph.D.
- July – Dec. 2018      **Psychology Intern, Child and Adolescent Mood Program**  
University of California, Los Angeles  
Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
Supervisors: David Miklowitz, Ph.D., Sarah Marvin, Ph.D.
- 2018 – Present        **Postdoctoral Clinician/Psychology Intern, Psychosis Clinic**  
University of California, Los Angeles  
Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
Supervisor: Joseph Ventura, Ph.D.
- 2018 – 2020          **Postdoctoral Clinician/Psychology Intern, Aftercare Program**  
University of California, Los Angeles  
Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
Supervisor: Keith H. Nuechterlein, Ph.D.
- 2018 – 2019          **Psychology Intern, Medical Psychology Assessment Center**  
University of California, Los Angeles

Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
Clinic Director: Patricia D. Walshaw, Ph.D.

- 2017 – 2018      **Psychology Extern, Neuropsychology Clinic**  
Atlanta VA Medical Center  
Supervisor: Lila K. Walker, Ph.D.
- 2016 – 2018      **Psychology Extern, Trauma Recovery Program**  
Atlanta VA Medical Center  
Supervisor: Andrea B. Burns, Ph.D.
- 2015 – 2016      **Psychology Extern, Adult Behavioral Health Center**  
Grady Health System, Atlanta, Georgia  
Supervisors: Dorian A. Lamis, Ph.D., Robert O. Cotes, M.D.
- 2014 – 2018      **Graduate Student Clinician, Emory University Psychological Center**  
Emory University  
Clinic Director: Cynthia A. Messina, Ph.D.

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2017 – 2018      **Co-Instructor, Fifty Shades of Gray (IDS-190)**  
Emory University; Institute for the Liberal Arts  
Faculty Mentors: David Lynn, Ph.D., Leslie Taylor, MFA
- Fall 2016          **Teaching Assistant, Psychology of Family Relationships (PSYC-315)**  
Emory University; Department of Psychology  
Instructor: Sherryl H. Goodman, Ph.D.
- Spring 2016      **Teaching Assistant, Abnormal Psychology (PSYC-210)**  
Emory University; Department of Psychology  
Instructor: Elaine F. Walker, Ph.D.
- Spring 2015      **Lab Instructor, Research Methods (PSYC-200)**  
Emory University; Department of Psychology  
Instructor: Jessica Barber, Ph.D.
- Fall 2014          **Lab Instructor, Introduction to Statistical Inference (QTM-100)**  
Emory University; Department of Quantitative Theory of Methods  
Instructor: Jeff Mullis, Ph.D.

#### **Guest Lectures**

Introduction to Psychology (Emory University), Introduction to Research (Emory University), Abnormal Psychology (Emory University), Introduction to Psychology (Georgia Gwinnett College), Behavioral Assessment and Intervention (Columbia University School of Social Work), Abnormal Psychology (University of California, Los Angeles), Advanced Topics in Adult Neuropsychology (University of California, Los Angeles), Psychopathology (Emory University)

#### **SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS**

2021    **Mental Health and COVID-19 Working Group**, Association for Psychological Science



- 2021 **Michael Irwin Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Publication Award**, PsychoNeuroImmunology Research Society (PNIRS)
- 2018 **Mark McLeod Award for Contributions to College Student Mental Health**  
Emory University, Department of Psychology
- 2018 **Stephen Nowicki Award for Teaching and Mentoring in Clinical Psychology**  
Emory University, Department of Psychology
- 2017 **On Recent Discoveries by Emory Researchers (ORDER) Teaching Fellowship**  
Emory University, Institute for the Liberal Arts
- 2017 **Award for Contributions to the Integration of Science and Clinical Practice**  
Emory University, Department of Psychology
- 2017 **Honorable Mention, Minority Fellowship Program in Psychology**  
American Psychological Association
- 2016 **Distinguished Contribution Poster Presentation Award**  
Society for a Science of Clinical Psychology
- 2016 **Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society**  
Emory University
- 2015 **Irwin Jay Knopf Award for Outstanding Research Presentation at a Professional Conference**  
Emory University, Department of Psychology
- 2015 **Alternate Status and Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship**  
The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
- 2014 **Alternate Status and Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship**  
The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
- 2012 **Presentation Award Winner**  
Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students
- 2012 **Travel Award Winner**  
Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students

#### **AD HOC PEER REVIEWS**

BMC Psychiatry, Clinical Psychological Science, Early Intervention in Psychiatry, Journal of Mental Health, Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities, Medical Care, Motivation and Emotion, PLOS ONE, Psychiatry Research, Schizophrenia Bulletin, Schizophrenia Research, Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies  
 American Psychological Association  
 Association for Psychological Science  
 Society for a Science of Clinical Psychology  
 Society for Research in Psychopathology  
 Society for the Psychological Study of Culture, Ethnicity, and Race (APA Division 45)

#### **PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

Michael F. Green, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor, University of California, Los Angeles; VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System; Director, Treatment Unit, VISN 22 Mental Illness Research, Education

and Clinical Center; Director, Green Lab; 11301 Wilshire Ave, Bldg. 210, Los Angeles, CA 90073;  
[mgreen@ucla.edu](mailto:mgreen@ucla.edu)

Elaine F. Walker, Ph.D., Samuel Candler Dobbs Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience, Emory University; Director, Mental Health and Development Program; 487 Psychology Building, 36 Eagle Row, Atlanta, GA, 30322; [psyefw@emory.edu](mailto:psyefw@emory.edu)

Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior, University of California, Los Angeles; Director, Center for Culture, Trauma, and Mental Health Disparities; Co-Director, UCLA HIV/AIDS, Substance Abuse, and Trauma Training Program; 760 Westwood Plaza, Los Angeles, CA, 90095;  
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Keith H. Nuechterlein, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of Psychology, Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, University of California, Los Angeles; Director, Aftercare Program; Director, UCLA Center for Neurocognition and Emotion, 300 Medical Plaza, Los Angeles, CA, 90095; [keithn@ucla.edu](mailto:keithn@ucla.edu)