

# CHRISTINA M. LECKFOR

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

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- University of Georgia**, Athens, GA August 2020 – May 2024 (expected)  
PhD, Social Psychology  
Certificate: Quantitative Methods in Family Science (in progress)  
Advisor: Dr. Richard B. Slatcher
- University of Pittsburgh**, Pittsburgh, PA August 2018 – April 2020  
MS, Social Psychology  
Advisor: Dr. Edward Orehek  
Thesis: *Intimate conversation leads to greater social bonding in both face-to-face and texting exchanges*
- Youngstown State University**, Youngstown, OH August 2013 – May 2017  
BA, Psychology, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Minor: Philosophy  
Advisor: Dr. James E. Juergensen  
Thesis: *Self-reported Facebook addiction is related to implicit approach behavior*

### PUBLICATIONS

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- Wood, N. R., **Leckfor, C.**, & Orehek, E. (*pre-registration; revise and resubmit*). Do smartphones increase social isolation? *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*.
- Leckfor, C. M.**, Wood, N. R., Kwiatek, S. M., & Orehek, E. (*in preparation*). The experience of screen time, solitude, and social interaction.
- Leckfor, C. M.**, Wood, N. R., & Orehek, E. (*in preparation*). Intimate texting conversations promote social connection.
- Wood, N. R., Orehek, E., & **Leckfor, C. M.** (*in preparation*). Social isolation leads to implicit evaluation of extremism.
- Juergensen, J., & **Leckfor, C.** (2019). Stop pushing me away: Facebook addiction relates to automatic approach motivation for Facebook stimuli. *Psychological Reports*, 122(6), 2012-2025.

### PRESENTATIONS

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- Leckfor, C. M.**, Bierstetel, S. J., Balzarini, R. N., Zoppolat, G., & Slatcher, R. B. (*accepted; 2021, February*). *Feeling gloom after Zoom: The psychological effects of video chat vs. face-to-face interactions*. Data blitz presentation at Society of Personality and Social Psychology 22nd Annual Convention, Psychology of Media and Technology Preconference, Virtual Conference.
- Leckfor, C. M.**, Wood, N. R., Orehek, E. (*accepted; 2021, February*). *"Tell me about it:" Intimate conversation promotes social connection in texting exchanges*. Poster presentation at Society of Personality and Social Psychology 22nd Annual Convention, Virtual Conference.

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**Leckfor, C.,** Wood, N. R., Orehek, E. *Home alone: Investigating the motives that drive social isolation.*

- (2020, February). Poster Presentation at Society of Personality and Social Psychology 21st Annual Convention, Motivation Preconference, New Orleans, LA.
- (2019, August). Oral Presentation at Konstanz International Summer School on Motivation Science, Konstanz, Germany.

**Leckfor, C.,** Wood, N. R., Kwiatek, S. M., & Orehek, E. (2019, May). *Mistakenly seeking smartphones? Forecasted and experienced affect when alone, talking to a stranger, and using a smartphone.* Poster presentation at Association for Psychological Science 31st Annual Convention, Washington, D.C.

**Leckfor, C.** (2019, April) *How choosing screen time affects well-being and social isolation: Current research and future directions.* Oral presentation at University of Pittsburgh Social Psychology Brown Bag Series, Pittsburgh, PA.

**Leckfor, C.,** & Juergensen, J. *Self-reported Facebook addiction is related to implicit approach behavior.*

- (2017, May). Poster presentation at Association for Psychological Science 29th Annual Convention, Boston, MA.
- (2017, April). Oral presentation at Youngstown State University Quest Forum for Student Scholarship, Youngstown, OH.
- (2017, February). Oral presentation at Youngstown State University Dobson Research Award Competition, Youngstown, OH.

## SKILLS AND PROFECIENCIES

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**Statistical** ANOVA • Factor Analysis • HLM • Linear Regression  
**Software** G\*Power • Qualtrics • SPSS • SONA Systems • R  
**Methods** Experimental Design • Explicit Measures • Implicit Measures  
**Pedological** Asynchronous Online Instruction • Lab Instruction • Grading  
**eLearning** Blackboard • Canvas • eLearning Commons • Kaltura • Panopto

## TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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**University of Georgia, Athens, GA**

August 2020 – Present

### *Mentor*

Directed Research Co-Advisor

- Meredith Camp, *Investigating How Technology Use in Long-Distance Relationships Impacts Relationship Processes and Outcomes*

### *Teaching Assistant*

Research Design in Psychology (*forthcoming*)

Human Sexuality (*forthcoming*)

Psychology of Intimate Relationships, 134 students (*hybrid*)

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University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

August 2018 – July 2020

## *Mentor*

Supervised 30 research assistants

## *Instructor of Record*

Introduction to Psychology, 19 students (*asynchronous online*)

- Average Student Evaluations: **4.56/5**

Learning and Motivation Lab, 3 sections, 71 total students (*partial remote instruction due to COVID-19*)

- Average Student Evaluations: **4.54/5**

## *Teaching Assistant*

Learning and Motivation, 69 students

Introduction to Social Psychology, 4 sections, 599 total students

## *Guest Lecturer*

Introduction to Social Psychology, *How Choosing Screen Time Affects Well-Being and Social Isolation*

Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH

April 2017

## *Guest Lecturer*

Motivation, *Aspects of Emotion*

## SERVICE EXPERIENCE

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**Psi Chi Peer Mentoring Program**, University of Georgia

### *Peer Mentor*

October 2020 – Present

- Mentoring a first-year undergraduate psychology student regarding potential career avenues in psychology

**Behavior and Brain Sciences Diversity Committee**, University of Georgia

### *Pre-Application Event Contributor*

October 2020

- An initiative to recruit undergraduate students from underrepresented groups
- Presented information on the graduate school application process

**Social Psychology Program**, University of Pittsburgh

### *Bulletin Manager*

August 2019 – May 2020

- Collected, organized, and disseminated graduate student and faculty research and accomplishments

**Psychology Peer Mentor Program**, University of Pittsburgh

### *Peer Mentor*

August 2019 – May 2020

- Mentored a first-year graduate psychology student through discussions about work-life balance, research/teaching responsibilities, and feelings of imposter syndrome

**Psi Chi: The International Honor Society**, Youngstown State University

# CHRISTINA M. LECKFOR

## *Chapter President*

April 2016 – April 2017

- Worked with other officers to organize an induction ceremony, fundraising events, and informational sessions for undergraduate psychology students

## *Chapter Treasurer*

April 2015 – April 2016

- Managed chapter expenses and contributed to event planning

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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2020 – 2021	Psi Chi Fall Graduate Research Grant, \$1,500
2019	KIS MOS Travel Grant, \$1,554
2017	National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi
2017	Youngstown State University Outstanding Psychology Student Award, \$100
2013 – 2017	Youngstown State University Dean's Scholarship of Excellence, \$11,000
2016	Youngstown State University Scholarship in Psychology, \$1,625
2015	National Society of Collegiate Scholars

## **CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

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2021, Feb.	Society of Personality and Social Psychology; Psychology of Media and Technology Preconference; Sexuality Preconference (registered)
2020, Feb.	Society of Personality and Social Psychology; Motivation Preconference
2019, Aug.	Konstanz International Summer School on Motivation Science
2019, July	R for Social Sciences, Pittsburgh Summer Methodology Series
2019, May	Association for Psychological Science 31 <sup>st</sup> Annual Convention
2019, May	Society for the Science of Motivation 12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
2019, Feb.	Society of Personality and Social Psychology; Motivation Preconference
2017, May	Association for Psychological Science 29 <sup>th</sup> Annual Convention

## **MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

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2020–	Social and Personality Psychologists at the University of Georgia (SPPUGA)
2020–	Psychology Educator Development Association (PEDA), University of Georgia
2019–	American Psychological Association (APA)
2019–	Society for the Science of Motivation (SSM)
2018–	Society of Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)
2016–	Association for Psychological Science (APS)
2016–	Psi Chi: The International Honor Society in Psychology
2018–2020	Psychology Committee on Equity, Inclusion, and Community (PEIC), University of Pittsburgh