

Samantha Joel – Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

PhD, Psychology, University of Toronto	2015
MA, Psychology, University of Toronto	2011
Hon. BSc, Psychology, University of Toronto	2010

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Western University	2018-present
Assistant Professor, Psychology Department, University of Utah	2016-2018
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow, Human Development and Family Sciences, University of Texas at Austin	2015-2016
Visiting Scholar, Harvard Business School	2013

RESEARCH AWARDS AND GRANTS

External Funding

Expanding the Frontiers of Relationship Science (UCLA) Title: <i>The underlying structure of relationship quality and relationship constructs</i> Role: Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI: James Kim) Total Award: \$150,000	2021-2023
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SSHRC Insight Grant Title: <i>Are happy romantic relationships discovered or built?</i> Role: Principal Investigator Total Award: \$228,442	2019-2024
Canadian Foundation for Innovation John R. Evans Leaders Fund Title: <i>Social Observation Laboratory</i> Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Erin Heerey) Total Award: \$185,005	2019-2024
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute R01 Title: <i>Understanding relationship ambivalence and its links to cardiovascular health</i> Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Bert Uchino) Total Award: \$1,113,334	2018-2021
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship Title: <i>Decision strategies for choosing compatible long-term romantic partners</i> Total Award: \$40,500	2015-2016
Ontario Graduate Scholarship Title: <i>The impact of day-to-day relationship expectations on relationship quality</i> Total Award: \$15,000	2014-2015
SSHRC CGS Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship Title: <i>The role of the caregiving system in romantic relationship stay/leave decisions</i> Total Award: \$105,000	2011-2014
SSHRC CGS Master's Scholarship Title: <i>Understanding commitment ambivalence in romantic relationships</i> Total Award: \$17,500	2010-2011
Internal Funding	
Faculty Research Development Fund (\$10,000) Title: <i>How do extradyadic experiences shape relationship quality?</i>	2022-2023
SSHRC Explore Grant (\$6940) Title: <i>Predictive validity of intimate partner violence warning signs</i>	2019-2020
Western University SSHRB SEED Grant (\$23,732) Title: <i>Are you the one? The role of perceived compatibility in new relationship development</i>	2018-2019
University of Utah Funding Incentive Seed Grant (\$31,844) Title: <i>Decision strategies for investing in new relationships</i>	2017-2018
SSHRC Undergraduate Student Summer Research Awards (\$11,600)	2008-2009

HONORS & AWARDS

Caryl Rusbult Early Career Award, Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)	2023
Preregistration Challenge Prize, Center for Open Science (OSF)	2018
Rising Star, Association for Psychological Science (APS)	2017
Dissertation Award, International Association for Relationship Research (IARR)	2016
Student Publication Award, Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)	2014
Steve Duck New Scholar Award, International Association for Relationship Research (IARR)	2014
Ken Dion Award, Social, Personality and Abnormal Area, University of Toronto	2014
Brendan Gail Rule Award, Canadian Psychological Association	2012

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

H-Index: 21, i10-Index: 27

* Indicates an undergraduate or graduate student coauthor.

39. **Joel, S.**, Maxwell, J. A., Khera, D. *, Peetz, J., Baucom, B. R. W., & MacDonald, G. (in press). Expect and you shall perceive: People who expect better in turn perceive better behaviors from their romantic partners. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.
38. Machia, L., Niehuis, S., & **Joel, S.** (in press). Breaking up is hard to study: Review of two decades of dissolution research. *Personal Relationships*.
37. **Joel, S.**, & Charlot, N.* (in press). Dealbreakers, or dealbenders? Capturing the cumulative effects of partner information on mate choice. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*.
36. Eastwick, P. W., **Joel, S.**, Carswell, K. L., Molden, D. C., Finkel, E. J., & Blozis, S. A. (in press). Predicting romantic interest during early relationship development: A preregistered investigation using machine learning. *European Journal of Personality*.
35. Eastwick, P. W., Finkel, E. J., & **Joel, S.** (in press). Mate Evaluation Theory. *Psychological Review*.
34. **Joel, S.**, & MacDonald, G. (2021). We're not that choosy: Emerging evidence of a progression bias in romantic relationships. *Personality and Social Psychology Review*, 21, 317-243.
33. **Joel, S.**, Stanton, S. C. E., Page-Gould, E., & MacDonald, G. (2021). One foot out the door: Stay/leave ambivalence predicts day-to-day fluctuations in commitment and intentions to end the relationship. *European Journal of Social Psychology*.
32. Rosenfeld, D. L. *, Balcetis, E., Bastian, B., Berkman, E. T., Bosson, J. K., Brannon, T. N., Burrow, A. L., Cameron, C. D., Chen, S., Cook, J. E., Crandall, C., Davidai, S., Dhont, K., Eastwick, P. W., Gaither, S. E., Gangestad, S. W., Gilovich, T., Gray, K. J., Haines, E. L., Haselton, M. G., Haslam, N., Hodson, G., Hogg, M. A., Hornsby, M. J., Huo, Y. J., **Joel, S.**, Kachanoff, F. J., Kraft-Todd, G., Leary, M. R....Tomiyama, A. J. (2021). Psychological science in the wake of

COVID-19: Social, methodological, and meta-scientific considerations. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*.

31. Murphy, A. P.*, **Joel, S.**, & Muise, A. (2021). A prospective investigation of the decision to open up a romantic relationship. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *12*, 194-201.
30. Visserman, M., Righetti, F., Muise, A., Impett, E., **Joel, S.**, & Van Lange, P. (2021). Taking stock of reality: Biased perceptions of the costs of romantic partners' sacrifices. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *12*, 54-62.
29. **Joel, S.**, Eastwick, P. W., Allison, C. J., Arriaga, X. B., Baker, Z. G., Bar-Kalifa, E., Bergeron, S., Birnbaum, G., Brock, R. L., Brumbaugh, C. C., Carmichael, C. L., Chen, S., Clarke, J., Cobb, R. J., Coolsen, M. K., Davis, J., de Jong, D. C., Debrot, A., DeHaas, E. C., Derrick, J. L., Eller, J., Estrada, M. J., Faure, R., Finkel, E. J., Fraley, R. C., Gable, S. L., Gadassi, R., Girme, Y. U., Gordon, A. M., Gosnell, C. L., Hammond, M. D., Hannon, P. A., Harasymchuk, C., Hofmann, W., Horn, A. B., Impett, E. A., Jamieson, J. P., Keltner, D., Kim, J. J., Kirchner, J. L., Kluwer, E. S., Kumashiro, M., Larson, G., Lazarus, G., Logan, J. M., Luchies, L. B., MacDonald, G., Machia, L. V., Maniaci, M. R., Maxwell, J. A., Mizrahi, M., Muise, A., Niehuis, S., Ogolsky, B. G., Oldham, C. R., Overall, N. C., Perrez, M., Peters, B. J., Pietromonaco, P. R., Powers, S. I., Prok, T., Pshedetzky-Shochat, R., Rafaeli, E., Ramsdell, E., Reblin, M., Reicherts, M., Reifman, A., Reis, H. T., Rhoades, G. K., Rholes, W. S., Righetti, F., Rodriguez, L. M., Rogge, R., Rosen, N. O., Saxbe, D., Sened, H., Simpson, J. A., Slotter, E. B., Stanley, S. M., Stocker, S., Surra, C., Vaughn, A. A., Vicary, A. M., Visserman, M. L., & Wolf, S. (2020). Machine learning uncovers the most robust self-report predictors of relationship quality across 43 longitudinal couples studies. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *117*, 19061-19071.
28. Park, Y.*, Impett, E. A., Spielmann, S., **Joel, S.**, & MacDonald, G. (2020). Lack of intimacy prospectively predicts breakup. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *12*, 442-451.
27. Uchino, B., Landvetter, J.*, Cronan, S.*, Scott, E.*, Padakis, M.*, Smith, T. W., Bosch, J. & **Joel, S.** (2019). Self-rated health and inflammation: A test of depression and sleep quality as mediators. *Psychosomatic Medicine*, *81*, 328-332.
26. Park, Y.*, Debrot, A., Spielmann, S. S., **Joel, S.**, Impett, E. A., & MacDonald, G. (2019). Distinguishing dismissing from fearful attachment in the association between closeness and commitment. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *10*, 563-572.
25. Spielmann, S. S., **Joel, S.**, & Impett, E. A. (2019). Pursuing sex with an ex: Does it hinder breakup recovery? *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, *48*, 691-702.
24. **Joel, S.**, Plaks, J. E., & MacDonald, G. (2019). Nothing ventured, nothing gained: People anticipate more regret from missed romantic opportunities than from rejection. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, *36*, 305-336. One of JSPR's top ten most downloaded articles in 2019.
23. **Joel, S.**, Impett, E. A., Spielmann, S. S., & MacDonald, G. (2018). How interdependent are stay/leave decisions? On staying in the relationship for the sake of the romantic partner. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *115*, 805-824. Winner of a Preregistration Challenge Prize from the Open Science Framework.

22. **Joel, S.**, MacDonald, G., & Page-Gould, E. (2018). Wanting to stay and wanting to go: Unpacking the content and structure of relationship stay/leave decision processes. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *9*, 631-644.
21. **Joel, S.**, Eastwick, P. W., & Finkel, E. J. (2018). Open sharing of data on close relationships and other sensitive social psychological topics: Challenges, tools, and future directions. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*, *1*, 86-94.
20. **Joel, S.**, & Eastwick, P. W. (2018). Intervening earlier: An upstream approach to improving relationship quality. *Policy Insights from Behavioral and Brain Science*, *5*, 25-32.
19. Uchino, B. N., Kent de Grey, R. G.*, Cronan, S.*, Smith, T. W., Diener, E., **Joel, S.**, & Bosch, J. (2018). Life satisfaction and inflammation in couples: An actor-partner analysis. *Journal of Behavioral Medicine*, *41*, 22-30.
18. **Joel, S.**, Eastwick, P. W., & Finkel, E. J. (2017). Is romantic desire predictable? Machine learning applied to initial romantic attraction. *Psychological Science*, *28*, 1478-1489.
17. **Joel, S.**, Spielmann, S. S., & MacDonald, G. (2017). Motivated use of numerical anchors for judgments relevant to the self. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, *43*, 972-985.
16. Eastwick, P. W., Harden, K. P., Shukusky, J.*, Morgan, T. A., & **Joel, S.** (2017). Consistency and inconsistency among romantic partners over time. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *112*, 838-859.
15. Spielmann, S. S., MacDonald, G., **Joel, S.**, & Impett, E. A. (2016). Longing for ex-partners out of fear of being single. *Journal of Personality*, *84*, 799-808.
14. Day, L. C.*, Muise, A., **Joel, S.**, & Impett, E. A. (2015). To do it or not to do it? How communally motivated people navigate sexual interdependence dilemmas. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, *41*, 791-804.
13. Sherman, G. D., Lerner, J. S., Renshon, J.*, Ma-Kellams, C.*, & **Joel, S.** (2015). Perceiving others' feelings: The importance of personality and social structure. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *6*, 559-569.
12. Robinson, J. S.*, **Joel, S.**, & Plaks, J. E. (2015). Empathy for the group versus indifference toward the victim: Effects of anxious and avoidant attachment on moral judgment. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, *56*, 139-152.
11. **Joel, S.**, Teper, R., & MacDonald, G. (2014). People overestimate their willingness to reject potential romantic partners by overlooking their concern for others. *Psychological Science*, *25*, 2233-2240.
10. **Joel, S.**, Burton, C. M.*, & Plaks, J. E. (2014). Conservatives anticipate and experience stronger emotional reactions to negative outcomes. *Journal of Personality*, *82*, 32-43.
9. **Joel, S.**, MacDonald, G., & Plaks, J. E. (2013). Romantic relationships conceptualized as a judgment and decision-making domain. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, *22*, 461-465.

8. Spielmann, S. S., MacDonald, G., Maxwell, J. A.*, **Joel, S.**, Peragine, D.*, Muise, A., & Impett, E. A. (2013). Settling for less out of fear of being single. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *105*, 1049-1073.
7. Gere, J., MacDonald, G., **Joel, S.**, Spielmann, S. S., & Impett, E. A. (2013). The independent contributions of social reward and threat perceptions to romantic commitment. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *105*, 961-977.
6. Maxwell, J. A.*, Spielmann, S. S., **Joel, S.**, & MacDonald, G. (2013). Attachment theory as a framework for understanding responses to social exclusion. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, *7*, 444-456.
5. **Joel, S.**, Gordon, A. M., Impett, E. A., MacDonald, G., & Keltner, D. (2013). The things you do for me: Perceptions of a romantic partner's investments promote gratitude and commitment. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, *39*, 1333-1345. Winner of the Student Publication Award from SPSP.
4. MacDonald, G., Locke, K., Spielmann, S. S., & **Joel, S.** (2013). Insecure attachment predicts ambivalent social threat and reward perceptions in romantic relationships. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, *30*, 647-661.
3. Spielmann, S. S., **Joel, S.**, MacDonald, G., & Kogan, A. (2013). Ex appeal: Current relationship quality and emotional attachment to ex-partners. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *4*, 175-180.
2. **Joel, S.**, MacDonald, G., & Plaks, J. E. (2012). Attachment anxiety uniquely predicts regret proneness in close relationship contexts. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *3*, 348-355.
1. **Joel, S.**, MacDonald, G., & Shimotomai, A. (2011). Conflicting pressures on relationship commitment for anxiously attached individuals. *Journal of Personality*, *59*, 51-74.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations

- Joel, S. (2022, October). *We're not that choosy: Emerging evidence of a progression bias*. Keynote plenary address presented virtually at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sex Research Forum, Waterloo, Canada.
- Joel, S. (2022, September). *We're not that choosy: Emerging evidence of a progression bias*. Talk given virtually at the Social Psychology brownbag, Psychology Department, McGill University, Montréal, Canada.
- Joel, S. (2022, May). *Can Random Forests help us predict romantic compatibility? (No)*. In *Applications of machine learning in psychological research*. Invited symposium presented virtually at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science Conference, Chicago, IL.

- Joel, S. (2021, October). *We're not that choosy: Emerging evidence of a progression bias*. Talk given virtually at the Social Psychology Program brownbag, Psychology Department, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- Joel, S. (2021, May). *Predicting relationship outcomes with Random Forests*. Talk given virtually at the Department of Marketing, David Eccles School of Business, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Joel, S. (2021, February). *We're not that choosy: Emerging evidence of a progression bias*. Talk given virtually at the Social Brownbag series, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.
- Joel, S. (2020, November). *Predicting relationship outcomes with Random Forests*. Talk given virtually at the Close Relationships graduate seminar, Psychology Department, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.
- Joel, S. (2020, September). *Predicting relationship outcomes with Random Forests*. Talk given virtually at the Social Lunch series, Psychology Department, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
- Joel, S. (2020, February). *Predicting relationship outcomes with Random Forests*. Talk given at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.
- Joel, S. (2019, November). *Can we help people pick better romantic partners?* Talk given at the Social Personality Research Group, Psychology Department, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada.
- Joel, S. (2019, November). *Can we help people pick better romantic partners?* Talk given at the Brownbag series, Psychology Department, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Canada.
- Joel, S. (2019, October). *Can we help people pick better romantic partners?* Talk given at the Social Area colloquium, Psychology Department, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada.
- Joel, S. (2019, June). *Benefits of preregistration for the scientist*. Talk given at the New Scholars Workshop at the International Association for Relationships Research Mini-Conference, Ottawa, Canada.
- Joel, S., & MacDonald, G. (2019, February). *How choosy are we when we choose romantic partners?* Talk given at the Brownbag Seminar, University of Toronto Scarborough, Toronto, Canada.
- Joel, S., Eastwick, P. W., & Finkel, E. J. (2018, May). *Open sharing of dyadic data: Challenges, tools, and future directions*. Talk given at the Association for Psychological Science Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Joel, S. (2017, September). *Why do people initiate, advance, and maintain low-quality relationships?* Talk given at the Social Psychology Brown Bag Series, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland.
- Joel, S., Eastwick, P. W., & Finkel, E. J. (2017, January). *Is attraction like a comet or an earthquake? Testing the predictability of romantic desire*. Talk given at the Fred Rhodewalt Social Psychology Winter Conference, University of Utah, Park City, UT.

Joel, S. (2017, January). *Getting a job in academia: It's possible and here's what it entails*. Mentor Luncheon hosted at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Joel, S. (2016, April). *The role of prosociality in decisions to begin, advance, and maintain romantic relationships*. Talk given at the Brown Bag Seminar, University of Houston, Houston, TX.

Joel, S. (2014, November). *Romantic relationship decisions: Focusing on the role of the partner*. Talk given at the Social Psychology Colloquium Series, Western University, London, ON.

Joel, S. (2011, May). *Are missed romantic opportunities more regrettable than rejection?* Talk given at the York University-University of Toronto Social/Personality/Abnormal Psychology conference, Toronto, ON.

Conference Presentations

Selterman, D., Joel, S., & Dale, V. (2022). *No remorse: Sexual infidelity is not clearly linked with unhealthy relationship or well-being outcomes in Ashley Madison users*. Virtual talk presented at the International Association for Relationship Research.

Charlot, N., Joel, S., & Campbell, L. (2022). *The predictive validity of intimate partner violence warning signs*. Virtual data blitz presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Francisco, California.

Horner, A., Charlot, N., & Joel, S., (2021, March). *Gender differences in perceptions of intimate partner violence*. Flash Talk presented at the Western Undergraduate Research Conference, London, ON, Canada.

Charlot, N., & Joel, S. (2021). Differences in perceptions of abuse between experts and laypeople. Virtual lightning talk presented at the Association for Women in Psychology.

Joel, S., Murphy, A. P., & Muise, A. (2020, July). *A prospective investigation of the decision to open up a romantic relationship*. Talk to be presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, London, United Kingdom. (Cancelled due to COVID-19).

Joel, S., & Eastwick, P. E. (2019, October). *What predicts romantic relationship quality? Results of 43 longitudinal couples studies*. In J. A. Simpson (Chair), *Recent empirical advances incorporating time in relationships*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Toronto, Canada.

Joel, S., MacDonald, G., & Page-Gould, E. (2019, March). *Wanting to stay and wanting to go: Unpacking the content and structure of relationship stay/leave decision processes*. In S. Joel & S. E. Stanton (Chairs), *One foot out the door: Antecedents and consequences of romantic relationship ambivalence*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the International Convention of Psychological Science, Paris, France.

Joel, S., Impett, A. E., Spielmann, S. S., & MacDonald, G. (2018, October). *How interdependent are stay/leave decisions? On staying in a romantic relationship for the sake of the romantic partner*. In A. C. Weidman & E. Kross (Chairs), *Exploring how other people profoundly shape our most*

- consequential life decisions*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, Seattle, WA.
- Joel, S., MacDonald, G., & Page-Gould, E. (2018, July). *Wanting to stay and wanting to go: Unpacking the content and structure of relationship stay/leave decision processes*. In S. Joel (Chair), *Why do people stay in bad relationships?* Symposium presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Colorado Springs, CO.
- Joel, S., & Eastwick, P. W. (2018, January). *Machine learning applied to mate preferences research: Implications for replicability and beyond*. In A. Danvers (Chair), *Beyond Replication: Assumptions, moderators, and models*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.
- Joel, S., Eastwick, P. W., & Finkel, E. J. (2017, January). *Machine learning applied to initial romantic attraction*. Data blitz talk given at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.
- Joel, S., Eastwick, P. W., & Finkel, E. J. (2016, July). *What components of romantic desire are predictable? Machine learning applied to speed-dating*. Talk given at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Toronto, ON.
- MacDonald, G., Joel, S., & Teper, R. (2014, October). *People overestimate their willingness to reject potential romantic partners*. In G. MacDonald (Chair), *Close relationships conceptualized as a judgment and decision-making domain*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, Columbus, OH.
- Joel, S., Impett, E., & Spielmann, S. S. (2014, July). *When caring hurts: Breakups and the communally motivated*. In E. A. Impett (Chair), *What gives receive in communal relationships*. Symposium presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Sydney, Australia.
- Joel, S. (2012, Chair). *Focusing on the journey: Cognitive processes underlying romantic relationship judgments and decisions*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Psychological Association, Halifax, NS.
- Joel, S., MacDonald, G., & Impett, E. (2012, July). *The vicarious sunk cost effect: Romantic investment as a reciprocal process*. In B. M. Le (Chair), *Four perspectives on prosociality in relationships*. Symposium presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Chicago, IL.
- Joel, S., Plaks, J. E., & MacDonald, G. (2012, January). *The one that got away: Missed romantic opportunities are more regrettable than rejection*. Data blitz talk given at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.
- Joel, S., & MacDonald, G. (2010, November). *Relationships are a joint venture: Exploring the existence of a vicarious sunk-cost effect*. Talk given at the annual meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, St. Louis, MI.
- MacDonald, G., Joel, S., Spielmann, S. S., & Locke, K. D. (2010, July). *Putting the ambivalence back in anxious-ambivalence*. Talk given at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Herzliya, Israel.

Posters

- Horner, A., Charlot, N., & Joel, S., (2021, September). *Gender differences in perceptions of intimate partner violence*. Poster presented virtually at the Florida Psychological Association 2021 Virtual Convention.
- Lingl, D., Chen, J., & Joel, S. (2021, February). *If you want to be my ally, you have got to give words and action: The role of prejudice and action in perceptions of LGBTQ+ allyship*. Poster presented virtually at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.
- Lisonbee, S., Cowdell, R., Chen, J., & Joel, S. (2021, February). *Living allyship: How perceived allyship of their co-residents predicts LGBT individuals' well-being*. Poster presented virtually at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.
- Lauber, E., Joel, S., & Norton, M. (2018, July). *Antecedents and consequences of the decision to merge finances with a romantic partner*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Colorado Springs, CO.
- Joel, S., Peetz, J., & MacDonald, G. (2014, February). *Pleasant surprises: Underestimating a partner's pro-relationship behaviors improves relationship quality*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.
- Spielmann, S. S., MacDonald, G., Joel, S., & Impett, E. A. (2014, February). *Better than being alone: Longing for ex-partners out of fear of being single*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.
- Joel, S., Page-Gould, E., & MacDonald, G. (2013, November). *Wanting to stay versus not wanting to go: Unpacking relationship stay/leave decisions with a multiattribute choice framework*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Toronto, ON.
- Robinson, J. S., Joel, S., & Plaks, J. E. (2013, June). *Attachment insecurity predicts utilitarian moral judgment*. Poster presented at the Canadian Psychological Association Convention, Quebec City, QC.
- Joel, S., MacDonald, G., & Impett, E. A. (2013, January). *When feeling bad leads to being good: The benefits of guilt-proneness for romantic relationships*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.
- Joel, S., Page-Gould, E. E., & MacDonald, G. (2012, May). *Unpacking the stay/leave decision making process: Breakups conceptualized as multiattribute choices*. Poster presented at the Southern Ontario Behavioral Decision Research Conference, Waterloo, ON.
- Joel, S., MacDonald, G., & Plaks, J. E. (2012, January). *Attachment anxiety uniquely predicts regret proneness in close relationship contexts*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.
- Joel, S., MacDonald, G., & Plaks, J. E. (2011, June). *The unique contributions of attachment anxiety and neuroticism in predicting post-decisional regret*. Poster presented at the Social and Personality Section of the Canadian Psychological Association Preconference, Toronto, ON.

Spielmann, S. S., Joel, S., & MacDonald, G. (2011, January). *Ex appeal: Substituting current partners and ex-partners to satisfy the need to belong*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Fortune, J.L., Lockwood, P., & Joel, S. (2010, January). *The effect of talented and hard-working role models on motivation*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Las Vegas, NV.

TEACHING

Courses Taught (Western University)

Research Methods (PSY2801F)	Fall 2022
Research Methods (PSY2800E)	2021/2022
Research Methods (PSY2800E)	2020/2021
Research Methods (PSY2800E)	2019/2020
Graduate Seminar on Romantic Relationship Development (PSY9723A)	Fall 2018

Courses Taught (University of Utah)

Graduate Seminar on Romantic Relationship Development (PSY7964)	Spring 2018
Introduction to Social Psychology (PSY3410)	Spring 2018
Introduction to Social Psychology (PSY3410)	Fall 2016

Courses Taught (University of Toronto)

Social Psychology of Intimate Relationships (PSY424)	Summer 2015
Social Psychology of Intimate Relationships (PSY424)	Winter 2015
Social Psychology of Intimate Relationships (PSY424)	Summer 2014
Social Psychology of Intimate Relationships (PSY424)	Winter 2014
Social Psychology of Intimate Relationships (PSY424)	Summer 2013

MENTORING

Current Mentees

Postdoctoral Fellows

Nicolyn Charlot	2022-present
Maximiliane Uhlich	2021-present
James Kim	2020-present

Graduate Students

Devinder Khera (MSc 2)	2021-present
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Undergraduate Students

Logan Thomlinson (Honours thesis student)	2022-2023
Orli Amar (Honours thesis student)	2022-2023

Previous Mentees

Undergraduate Students

Aarane Senthilmurugan (Honours thesis, 2022, *Winner of a CPA Thesis Award*); Jenna Dart (Honours thesis, 2022); Mengzhi Du (Honours thesis, 2021); Sarita Sinha (Honours thesis, 2021); Abbey Horner (Scholar's Elective program, 2021); Nazanin Kafaee (Honours thesis, 2020; individual project, 2020), Victoria Dale (Honours thesis, 2020; summer research award, 2020), Allison Hoffman (Honours thesis, 2020; scholar's elective, 2019), Joyee Barua (individual project, 2020), Rachel Okazaki (Honours thesis, 2019), Neha Khemani (Honours thesis, 2019), Annelise Murphy (individual project, 2018), Yasmin Elahi (Honours thesis, 2015), Anthea Harvey-Cheetham (individual project, 2015), Angela Zhang (individual project, 2014), Rebecca Yang (individual project, 2013), Chantal Dougan (Honours thesis, 2012), Jenna Kean (individual project, 2011).

Graduate Students

Nicolyn Charlot, PhD	2018-2022
Sierra Cronan, PhD	2016-2021

Secondary Advising

Graduate Students – Outside Projects

Eric Goodcase (Kansas State University)	2018-2019
Elissa Lauber (University of Utah)	2016-2018

Graduate Students – Thesis Committees

Daniel Machado (PhD dissertation)	2020-present
Adira Daniel (Master's thesis)	2021-2022
Malvika D'Costa (Master's thesis)	2020-2021
Jennifer Lynch (Master's thesis)	2020-2021
Yixian Li (PhD dissertation)	2018-2020
Kiersten Dobson (PhD dissertation)	2018-2020

Graduate Students – Comprehensive Exams

Katarina Huellemann (2022), Malvika D'Costa (2022), Rebecca Koessler (2020), Deanna Walker (2019), Matthew Brown (2019).

Graduate Students – Thesis Defenses Examined

Rebecca Koessler (PhD, 2022), Adira Daniel (MSc, 2022), Mikayla Colthirst-Reid (MSc, 2022), Malvika D'Costa (MSc, 2021), Jennifer Lynch (MSc, 2021), Samantha Withnell (MSc, 2021), Yixian Li (PhD, 2020), Kiersten Dobson (PhD, 2020), Negar Vali Samani (MSc, 2020), Rachel Plouffe (PhD, 2020), Kunio Hessel (MSc, 2019), Christian Hahn (PhD, 2019), Sarah Moroz (PhD, 2019).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Associate Editor

Journal of Social and Personal Relationships 2020-2022

Consulting Editor

Social Psychological and Personality Science 2020-present
 Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin 2016-present
 Journal of Social and Personal Relationships (top 5% reviewer) 2016-2019

Ad-Hoc Reviewer

Current Directions in Psychological Science, Perspectives on Psychological Science, Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, Journal of Family Psychology, Journal of Computational Social Science, Memory, Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science, Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, Journal of Research in Personality, European Journal of Social Psychology, Perspectives in Psychological Science, Journal of Positive Psychology, Journal of Personality, Journal of Experimental Psychology: General, Journal of Self and Identity.

University Service

Chair of EDI Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2022-present
 Social Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2022-present
 Appointments Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2022-present
 Equity Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2020-2022
 Co-Founder and Coordinator, Western Interpersonal Relationships Ensemble (WIRE) 2020-present
 McClelland Thesis Award Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2022
 National Scholarship Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2022
 Ethics & Research Part. Exec. Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2019-2022
 Annual Performance Eval. Exec. Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2019-2021
 Reviewer, SSHRC CGS applications, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2018-2021
 Social Psychology Faculty Search Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2019-2020
 Social Psychology Faculty Search Committee, Dept of Psychology, Western University 2018-2019
 Undergraduate Committee, Dept of Psychology, University of Utah 2017-2018
 Graduate Committee, Dept of Psychology, University of Utah 2016-2017
 Co-Founder and Coordinator, Toronto Relationships Interest Group (TRIG) 2011-2014
 Graduate Chair Search Committee, University of Toronto 2013

National and International Service

Judge, Canadian Sex Research Forum 2022
 Reviewer, Conference Submissions, CPA 2020
 Judge, Undergraduate Science Case Competition, Scinapse Science 2019
 Reviewer, Social Psychology Program, National Science Foundation 2016-2019
 Reviewer, Conference Submissions, IARR 2016; 2018

Judge and Panel Discussant, National Diversity in STEM Conference (SACNAS)	2017
Reviewer, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	2016
Member, IARR Mentoring Committee	2014-2016
Member, IARR Media Relations Committee	2012-2016
Reviewer, Annual Convention Submissions, Canadian Psychological Association	2012
Reviewer, Annual Convention Submissions, Association for Psychological Science	2010

OUTREACH

Public Presentations

- Joel, S. (2020, August). *I'm Dr. Samantha Joel. My team and I used machine learning to predict the relationship satisfaction of 11,000 couples – AMA!* [Online forum]. https://www.reddit.com/r/IAmA/comments/i5dtml/im_dr_samantha_joel_my_team_and_i_use_ai_t_o/
- Joel, S. (2018, February). *Can machines predict romantic attraction?* Talk given for Science On Tap, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Joel, S. (2017, September). *Are romantic matchmaking algorithms possible?* Talk given at TEDxSaltLakeCity, Salt Lake City, UT. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdpqHYLj714>
- Joel, S. (2015, July). *On staying for the sake of the partner.* Talk given at the Ontario Science Centre, Toronto, ON.
- Joel, S. (2015, March). *How self-interested are relationship decisions?* Talk given at TEDxUofT, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JycSDfzS7Qw>
- Joel, S. (2011, March). *Healthy couples, sexual couples, and sexual health.* Talk given at the Sexual Education Centre's Sexual Awareness Week, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON.

Selected Media Appearances

- Lehmiller, J. (2021, July). The decisions that make or break a relationship. *Sex & Psychology* [Podcast series]. <https://www.lehmiller.com/podcast/2021/7/9/episode-42-the-decisions-that-make-or-break-a-relationship>
- Ali, N. (2020, August). New study explores what makes a relationship successful. *Cheddar's Closing Bell* [Television news show]. <https://cheddar.com/media/new-study-explores-what-makes-a-relationship-successful>
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<https://www.forbes.com/sites/fernandezelizabeth/2020/08/04/machine-learning-reveals-what-makes-people-happy-in-a-relationship>

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https://www.vice.com/en_asia/article/v7gpbd/ai-study-romantic-relationships-couples

<https://www.inverse.com/mind-body/dating-study-predicts-happy-relationships>

<https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20200320-why-people-can-love-more-than-one-person>

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