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EDUCATION

- 2017 – 2020 Oakland University – Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology
- 2015 – 2017 Oakland University – Master of Science in Psychology
- 2010 – 2014 University of Oregon – Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Departmental Honors

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2022 Mención de Honor - Congreso Latinoamericano de Investigación Clínica
- 2019 Oakland University Graduate Student Research Conference Best Presentation Award
- 2018 Shelby Seyburn Foundation Travel Award
- 2017 Oakland University Provost Graduate Student Research Award
- 2014 University of Oregon Psychology Departmental Honors

RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2023 – Present Researcher I
 Sistema Nacional de Investigación
 Secretaria Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación
- 2021 – Present Research Consultant
 Panama Aging Research Initiative
 Instituto de Investigaciones Científicas y Servicios de Alta Tecnología
 Principal Investigator: Dr. Gabrielle Britton
- 2017 – 2020 Graduate Research Assistant / Doctoral Student
 Personality and Evolutionary Psychology Lab
 Oakland University; Advisor: Dr. Melissa McDonald

- 2015 – 2017 Graduate Research Assistant / Master's Student
Evolutionary Psychology Lab
Oakland University; Advisor: Dr. Todd Shackelford
- 2013 – 2014 Undergraduate Research Assistant / Honor's Student
Social Psychoneuroendocrinology Lab
University of Oregon; Advisor: Dr. Pranjal Mehta
- 2012 Undergraduate Research Assistant
Brain Electrophysiology Lab
Electrical Geodesics, Inc.; Advisor: Dr. Don Tucker

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- Torres-Atencio, I., Carreira, M. B., Méndez, A., Quintero, M., Broce, A., Oviedo, D. C., Rangel, G., Villareal, A. E., **Tratner, A. E.**, Rodríguez-Araña, S., & Britton, G. B. (2024). Polypharmacy and Associated Health Outcomes in the PARI-HD Study. *Journal of Alzheimer's Disease*, *98*, 287-300.
- Oviedo, D. C.,[†] **Tratner, A. E.**,[†] Pinzón León, M. S., Rodríguez Araña, S. A., Pauli-Quirós, E., Chavarría, C., Posada Rodríguez, C., & Britton, G. B. (2023). Resilience mediates the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on mental health in a sample of adults in Panama. *Frontiers in Psychology*, *14*, 1235935.
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- Tratner, A. E.**,* & McDonald, M. M. (2023). Perceived religiosity of romantic partners moderates the relationship between self-reported religiosity and mate retention behaviors. *Personality and Individual Differences*, *214*, 112341.
- Oviedo, D. C., Pinzón, M. S., Rodríguez-Araña, S., **Tratner, A. E.**, Pauli-Quirós, E., Chavarría, C., Posada Rodríguez, C., & Britton., G. B. (2022). Psychosocial response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Panama. *Frontiers in Public Health*, *10*, 919818.
- Moon, J. W., **Tratner, A. E.**, & McDonald, M. M. (2022). Men are less religious in more gender-equal countries. *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, *289*, 20212474.
- Tratner, A. E.**,* Shackelford, T. K., Zeigler-Hill, V., Vonk, J., & McDonald, M. M. (2020). Fear the unseen: supernatural belief and hyperactive agency detection in virtual reality. *Religion, Brain & Behavior*, *10*, 118-131.

- Tratner, A. E.,*** Sela, Y., Lopes, G. S., Shackelford, T. K., McDonald, M. M., Weekes-Shackelford, V. A., & Abed, M. G. (2020). Childhood Religious Experiences with Peers and Primary Caregivers: Associations with Individual Differences in Adult Religiosity. *Personality and Individual Differences, 158*, 1-12.
- Davies, A. P., **Tratner, A. E.,** Shackelford, T. K. (2019). Not Clearly Defined, Not Reliably Measured, and Not Replicable: Revisiting the Definition and Measurement of Human Mate Poaching. *Personality and Individual Differences, 145*, 103-105.
- Tratner, A. E.,*** Sela, Y., Lopes, G. S., Ehrke, A., Weekes-Shackelford, V.A., & Shackelford, T.K. (2017). Individual Differences in Childhood Religious Experiences with Peers. *Personality and Individual Differences, 119*, 73-77.
- Tratner, A. E.,*** Sela, Y., Lopes, G.S., Ehrke, A., Weekes-Shackelford, V.A., & Shackelford, T.K. (2017). Development and initial psychometric assessment of the Childhood Religious Experience Inventory – Primary Caregiver. *Personality and Individual Differences, 114*, 5-9.
- Lopes, G. S., Santos, W. S., Shackelford, T. K., **Tratner, A. E.,** & Gouveia, V. V. (2017). Attractive men’s desirability as a long-term partner varies with ascribed excitement values. *Personality and Individual Differences, 107*, 6-9.

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Book Chapters

- Tratner, A.** (2021). Members of Coalition Must Believe They Will Win. In. T. K. Shackelford & V. A. Weekes- Shackelford (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*, Springer. New York, NY.
- Tratner, A.** (2021). Men but Not Women Will Have Adaptations for War. In. T. K. Shackelford & V. A. Weekes- Shackelford (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*, Springer. New York, NY.
- Tratner, A.** (2021). Joseph Henrich. In. T. K. Shackelford & V. A. Weekes- Shackelford (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science, Springer*. New York, NY.
- Tratner, A.** (2021). Credibility Displays. In. T. K. Shackelford & V. A. Weekes- Shackelford (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science, Springer*. New York, NY.
- Tratner, A.** (2021). Joseph Henrich on Religion. In. T. K. Shackelford & V. A. Weekes- Shackelford (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science, Springer*. New York, NY.
- Tratner, A.** (2021). Religious Beliefs. In. T. K. Shackelford & V. A. Weekes- Shackelford (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science, Springer*. New York, NY.

Tratner, A. E., & McDonald, M. M. (2020). Genocide and the Male Warrior Psychology. In Newman, L. S. (Eds.). *Confronting Humanity at its Worst: The Social Psychology of Genocide and Extreme Intergroup Violence*. Syracuse, NY. Oxford University Press.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Torres Atencio, I., Mendez, A., Broce, A., Quintero, M., **Tratner, A.,** Villarreal, A., Oviedo, D., Rangel, G., & Britton, G. (2023). Polifarmacia, fragilidad y caídas en una cohorte comunitaria de personas mayores en Panamá. *Poster presented at La Asociación Panameña para el Avance de la Ciencia*. Panama City, Panama.

Oviedo, D. C., **Tratner, A. E.** (2023). Psychosocial response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Panama. *Talk presented at the 3rd International Conference on Cognitive and Behavioral Neurosciences*. Barcelona, Spain.

Motzny, S.J., **Tratner, A.,** & McDonald, M.M. (2023). Motivations for Endogamous Relationships. *Poster presented at the Society for Personality & Social Psychology Conference*. Atlanta, Georgia, United States of America.

Pinzón, M.S., Rodríguez Araña, S., Pauli, E., Chavarría, C., Posada Rodríguez, C., **Tratner, A.,** Britton, G. B., & Oviedo, D. C. (2022). Impacto psicosocial a la pandemia de COVID-19 en los adultos panameños. *Poster presented at the Congreso Latinoamericano de Investigación Clínica*. Panama City, Panama.

Tratner, A. E., McDonald, M. M., Shackelford, T. K., & Zeigler-Hill, V. (2020). The Behavioral Ecology of Religiosity. *Talk Presented at the Oakland University Graduate Student Research Conference*. Rochester, MI.

Lunge, J. M., Mitchell, V. E., Wysocki, A., **Tratner, A. E.,** & Welling, L. L. M. (2019). Rape avoidance across the menstrual cycle using a virtual paradigm. *Poster presented at the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychology Society Convention*. Boston, MA.

Lunge, J. M., Mitchell, V. E., Wysocki, A., **Tratner, A. E.,** & Welling, L. L. M. (2019). Rape avoidance across the menstrual cycle using a virtual paradigm. *Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Convention*. Boston, MA.

Tratner, A. E., Sela, Y., Lopes, G. S., Shackelford, T. K., McDonald, M. M., & Weekes-Shackelford, V. A. (2019). Childhood Religious Experiences with Peers and Primary Caregivers Differently Predict Adult Religiosity. *Talk Presented at the Graduate Student Research Conference*. Rochester, Michigan.

- Tratner, A. E.**, Sela, Y., Shackelford, T. K., & Zeigler-Hill, V. (2018) Do religious people perform more mate retention behaviors? *Talk Presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Convention*. Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- Tratner, A. E.**, Shackelford, T. K., Zeigler-Hill, V., & Vonk, J. (2017) Fear the Unseen: Supernatural Belief and Hyperactive Agency-Detection in Virtual Reality. *Talk Presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Convention*. Boise, Idaho.
- Tratner, A. E.**, Sela, Y., Ehrke, A., Lopes, G. S., & Weekes-Shackelford, V. A. (2016). Development and Initial Psychometric Assessment of the Childhood Religious Experiences Inventory - Peers Version. *Poster Presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Convention*. Vancouver, Canada.
- Lopes, G. S., Santos, W. S., Shackelford, T. K., **Tratner, A. E.**, & Gouveia, V. V. (2016) Perceptions of Attractiveness Vary with Ascribed Values. *Poster Presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Convention*. Vancouver, Canada.
- Tratner, A. E.**, Sela, Y., Ehrke, A., Lopes, G. S., & Weekes-Shackelford, V. A. (2016). Development and Initial Psychometric Assessment of the Childhood Religious Experiences Inventory - Peers Version. *Poster presented at the Evolution of Psychopathology Conference*. Rochester, Michigan.
- Lopes, G. S., Santos, W. S., Shackelford, T. K., **Tratner, A. E.**, & Gouveia, V. V. (2016) Perceptions of Attractiveness Vary with Ascribed Values. *Poster Presented at the Evolution of Psychopathology Conference*. Rochester, Michigan.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2022 – Present | Teaching Faculty; Psychology
Florida State University – Republic of Panama |
| 2021 – 2022 | Advanced Placement Psychology & Elective Psychology Instructor
Instituto Alberto Einstein |
| 2020 – 2022 | Adjunct Professor; Psychology
Florida State University – Republic of Panama |
| 2020 – 2021 | Special Lecturer; Psychology
Oakland University |
| 2016 – 2020 | Graduate Teaching Assistant; Psychology
Oakland University |

PUBLIC SPEAKING

- 2019 Rochester High School STEAM Fair: Psychology Career Presenter
- 2018 *The Evolution of Superstition: Further Theoretical Considerations*
Oakland University Department of Psychology Colloquium
- 2018 Rochester High School STEAM Fair: Psychology Career Presenter
- 2017 Rochester High School STEAM Fair: Psychology Career Presenter
- 2016 Rochester High School STEAM Fair: Psychology Career Presenter

SERVICE

- 2019 Thesis/Dissertation Workshop Presenter
- 2019 Oakland University Psychology Interview Planning Committee:
Housing Coordinator & Applicant Evaluations
- 2018 – 2020 Oakland University Graduate Association Vice President
- 2018 – 2020 Oakland University Graduate Student Council
- 2018 Thesis/Dissertation Workshop Presenter
- 2018 Oakland University Psychology Interview Planning Committee:
Housing Coordinator
- 2016 – present Ad Hoc Journal Article Reviewer (12 Publication Reviews)
- 2013 – 2014 Psi Chi: University of Oregon Chapter Vice President

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2023 European Conference for Student Affairs and Services
- 2023 Diversity & Mindfulness: Leadership in Educational Spaces
- 2021 Florida State University Quality Course Design Workshop Series
- 2019 Oakland University Humility, Equity, & Inclusion Training Workshop

MEMBERSHIPS

2024 – present	International Behavioral Neuroscience Society
2020 – present	American Psychological Association
2018 – present	Heterodox Academy
2012 – present	Psi Chi: Psychology National Honors Society

PRESS

2023	Featured Research <i>(La web de la salud, 11/17/2023)</i>
2023	Psychology Correspondent <i>(PsyPost, 11/15/2023)</i>
2023	Featured Research <i>(La web de la salud, 8/30/2023)</i>
2022	Featured Research <i>(La web de la salud, 8/15/2022)</i>
2022	Featured Research <i>(PsyPost, 4/3/2022)</i>
2020	Psychology Correspondent <i>(PsyPost, 7/23/2020)</i>
2019	Psychology Correspondent <i>(The Super Awesome Science Show: The Science of Fear 10/29/2019)</i>
2019	Psychology Correspondent <i>(Detroit Free Press: Eloise's long-hidden basement, 3/19/2019)</i>

RESEARCH FOCUS

I pursue an eclectic program of research inspired by a variety of theoretical interests. Much of my work uses insights from personality and evolutionary psychology to investigate the psychological foundations of belief (e.g., morality, religion, politics). I also investigate religious socialization, sexual psychology, and the neuropsychology of aging. My research uses different methodologies, including cross-cultural studies, scale-development, longitudinal studies, and experiments.

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

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