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Academic Degrees

Ph.D., Stanford University Department of Psychology Dissertation: Medial temporal lobe contributions to declarative memory B.A., University of Pennsylvania 1998 – 2004 1998 – 2004

B.A., University of Pennsylvania Major: Psychology

Summa cum laude with departmental highest honors

Professional Appointments

The University of Texas at Austin

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The University of Texas at Austin2021 – presentDr. A. Wilson Nolle and Sir Raghunath P. Mahendroo Professor2018 – present

Departments of Neuroscience and Psychology Department of Psychiatry (by courtesy) The University of Texas at Austin

Interim Vice President for Research
The University of Texas at Austin

DirectorBioimaging Research Center
The University of Texas at Austin

Associate Professor

Departments of Psychology and Neuroscience

Department of Psychiatry (by courtesy from 2017)

Assistant Professor

Department of Psychology

Section of Neurobiology (by courtesy 2008 – 2013) The University of Texas at Austin

Postdoctoral Fellow 2004 – 2007 Department of Psychology

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Stanford University

Center/Institute Memberships at the University of Texas at Austin Center for Learning and Memory Center for Theoretical and Computational Neuroscience Interdisciplinary Neuroscience Program

Research Interests

- Neural basis of memory using fMRI, neurostimulation, ECoG, and computational modeling
- Neurocognitive development of memory and reasoning in childhood and adolescence
- Hippocampal-prefrontal contributions to episodic memory, concept formation, and reasoning
- Attentional and motivational modulation of memory function

Fellowships, Awards, and Honors

Best Article of the Year Award, Cognitive Behavioral and Affective Neuroscience Charles and Sarah Seay Regents Professor in Developmental Psychology Elected as a Fellow of the Psychonomic Society Elected as a Fellow of the Association for Psychological Science Keynote Speaker, Center for Cognitive and Brain Sciences Undergraduate Summer Institute, Ohio State University	2019 2018 - 2020 2016 2016 2016
Keynote Speaker, Neuroscience Program Retreat, UC Davis	2014
Keynote Speaker, Amsterdam Memory Meeting, Netherlands	2012
National Science Foundation CAREER Award	2011 - 2016
Inducted into the University of Texas Society for Teaching Excellence	2011
Young Investigator Award, NARSAD	2010 - 2012
Selected as University of Arizona/NSF ADVANCE Junior Scientist Lecturer	2010
Young Investigator Award, Army Research Office	2009 - 2012
Postdoctoral Individual National Research Service Award, NIMH	2004 - 2007
Predoctoral Individual National Research Service Award, NIMH	2001 - 2004
Honorable Mention National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship	1998

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Coughlin, C.[†], Pudhiyidath, A.*, Roome, H.E.[†], Varga, N.L.[†], Nguyen, K.V., & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2024). Asynchronous development of memory integration and differentiation influence temporal memory organization. Developmental Science, 27(2), e13437.
- Noh, S.M.*, Bjork R.A., & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2024). General knowledge and detailed memory benefit from different learning sequences. Journal of Applied Research in Memory and Cognition, 13(3), 329–341.
- Vinci-Booher, S., Schlichting, M.L., **Preston, A.R.**, & Pestilli, F. (2023). Development of human hippocampal subfield microstructure related to associative inference. Cerebral Cortex, 33(18),10207-10220.

[‡] Senior and/or communicating author

[†] Postdoctoral fellow advisee

^{*} Graduate student advisee

^{**} Undergraduate advisee

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- Sherrill, K.R.[†], Molitor, R.J.*, Karagoz, A.B., Atyam, M.**, Mack, M.L.[†], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2023). Generalization of cognitive maps across space and time. Cerebral Cortex, 33(12), 7971-7992.
- Coughlin, C.[†], Ben-Asher, E.*, Roome, H.E.[†], Varga, N.L.[†], Moreau, M.M.**, Schneider, L.L.**, & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2022). Interpersonal family dynamics relate to hippocampal CA subfield structure. Frontiers in Human Neuroscience, 16, 872101.
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- Schlichting, M.L.[†], Guarino, K.F., Roome, H.E.[†], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2022). Memory reactivation modulates new encoding and impacts inference in the developing human brain. Nature Human Behaviour, 6(3), 415-428.
- Ashmaig, O.*, Hamilton, L.S., Modur, P., Buchanan, R.J., **Preston, A.R.**, & Watrous, A.J. (2021). A platform for cognitive monitoring of neurosurgical patients during hospitalization. Frontiers in Human Neuroscience, 15, 726998.
- Carpenter, A.C., Thakral, P.P., **Preston, A.R.**, & Schacter, D.L. (2021). Reinstatement of item-specific contextual details during retrieval supports recombination-related false memories. Neuroimage, 236, 118033.
- Molitor, R.J.*, Sherrill, K.R.†, Morton NW†, Miller, A.A.**, & **Preston, A.R.**‡ (2021). Memory reactivation during learning simultaneously promotes dentate gyrus/CA_{2,3} pattern differentiation and CA₁ memory integration. Journal of Neuroscience, 41(4), 726–738.
- Morton, NW[†], Zippi, E.L.**, Noh, S.M.*, & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2021). Semantic knowledge of famous people and places is represented in hippocampus and distinct cortical networks. Journal of Neuroscience, 41(12), 2762-2779.
- Morton, NW[†], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2021). Concept formation as a computational cognitive process. Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences, 38, 83-89.
- Witkowski, S., Noh, S., Lee, V., Grimaldi, D., **Preston, A.R.**, & Paller, K.A. (2021). Does memory reactivation during sleep affect specificity and generalization? Neurobiology of Learning and Memory, 182, 107442.
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- Morton, NW[†], Schlichting, M.L., & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2020). Representations of common event structure in medial temporal lobe and frontoparietal cortex support efficient inference. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA, 117(47), 29338–29345.

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- Schlichting, M.L.[†], Mack, M.L.[†], Guarino, K.F., & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2019). Comparison of semi-automated hippocampal subfield segmentation methods in a pediatric sample. Neuroimage, 191, 49-67.
- Mack, M.L.[†], Love, B.C., & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2018). Building concepts one episode at a time: The hippocampus and concept formation. Neuroscience Letters, 680, 31-38.
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- Liang, J.C.*, & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2017). Medial temporal lobe reinstatement of content-specific details predicts source memory. Cortex, 91, 67-78.
- Morton, N.W.[†], Sherrill, K.R.[†], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2017). Memory integration constructs maps of space, time, and concepts. Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences, 17, 161-168.
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- Zeithamova, D.[†], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2017). Temporal proximity promotes integration of overlapping events. Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience, 29(8), 1311-1323.
- Mack, M.L.[†], Love, B.C.[‡], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2016). Dynamic updating of hippocampal conceptual representations through interactions with prefrontal cortex. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA, 113(46), 13203-13208.
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Preprints

- Mack, M.L., Love, B.C., & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] Distinct hippocampal mechanisms support concept formation and updating. BioRXiv.
- Nguyen, K.V., Roome, H.E.[†], Coughlin, C.[†], Sherrill, K.R.[†], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] Spatial preposition use predicts children's spatial map formation. PsyArXiv.
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- Varga, N.L.[†], Roome, H.E.[†], Molitor, R.J.*, Martinez, L.**, Hipskind, E.M.**, Mack, M.L., **Preston, A.R.**[‡] & Schlichting, M.L. Differentiation of related events in hippocampus supports memory reinstatement in development. BioRXiv.
- Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings
- McArthur, A.W., Guarino, K.F., **Preston, A.R.**, & Schlichting, M.L. (2022). Reasoning about specific relations versus general associations shows protracted development throughout adolescence. Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society, 44(44). Toronto, CA.
- Mack, M.L.[†], **Preston, A.R.**[‡], & Love, B.C.[‡] (2017). Medial prefrontal cortex compresses concept representations through learning. 2017 International Workshop on Pattern Recognition in Neuroimaging (PRNI). Toronto, CA.
- Schlichting, M.L.[†], Guarino, K.F., Roome, H.[†], & **Preston, A.R.**[‡] (2017). Pattern classification reveals developmental differences in how memories influence new learning. 2017 International Workshop on Pattern Recognition in Neuroimaging (PRNI). Toronto, CA.

Invited Commentaries

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Book Chapters

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Grants

Extramural Awards

National Institute of Mental Health R01 Research Project Grant Alison R. Preston, Pl Hippocampal and prefront

2013 – 2029

Hippocampal and prefrontal contributions to memory integration (R01 MH100121)

	Alison R. Preston, Ph.D Curriculum Vita
National Institute of Mental Health T32 Institutional Training Grant Alison R. Preston, PI; Laura L. Colgin, Co-I Training in learning and memory (T32 MH106454)	2015 – 2026
National Institute of Mental Health R01 Research Project Grant Alison R. Preston, Consultant; Daniel L. Schacter, Pl Event-related neuroimaging of human memory formation (R01 MH060941)	2015 – 2026
National Institute of Mental Health R21 Exploratory Developmental Research Grant Alison R. Preston, PI; Andrew Watrous, PI Oscillatory mechanisms of context dependent cognitive maps in h memory (R21 MH127842)	2021 – 2024 numan
National Institute of Child Health & Human Development R21 Exploratory Developmental Research Grant Alison R. Preston, Pl Linking the neurobiological development of memory and reasoning (R21 HD083785)	2016 – 2019
National Science Foundation CAREER Award Alison R. Preston, Pl Memory based prediction in the medial temporal lobe (BCS 1056019)	2011 – 2017
National Institute of Mental Health R21 Exploratory Developmental Research Grant Alison R. Preston, contact PI; Brad C. Love, PI Model-based fMRI of dynamic category learning: The memory atterinterface (R21 MH091523)	2011 – 2014 ention
National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression Young Investigator Award Alison R. Preston, Pl Hippocampal subfield contributions to episodic memory: Implication schizophrenia	2010 – 2013 ons for
Army Research Office Young Investigator Award Alison R. Preston, PI High-resolution fMRI of hippocampal subfield contributions to epis- memory (55830-LS-YIP)	2009 - 2012 odic

Alison R. Preston, Ph.D. Curriculum Vitae National Institute of Mental Health 2004 - 2007Postdoctoral Individual National Research Service Award Alison R. Preston, Pl Mapping medial temporal lobe contributions to declarative memory (F32 MH071092) National Institute of Mental Health 2001 - 2004Predoctoral Individual National Research Service Award Alison R. Preston, Pl The neural correlates of encoding specificity (F31 MH063576) Internal Awards College of Natural Sciences 2018 - 2020University of Texas at Austin Catalyst Grant Alison R. Preston, Pl Developing human electrophysiology approaches to determine how brain rhythms support memory University of Texas at Austin 2012 - 2013Research Grant Alison R. Preston, Pl Neurobiological development of memory and reasoning The University of Texas at Austin Graduate School 2008 Faculty Development Summer Research Assignment Alison R. Preston, Pl fMRI of human subfield contributions to declarative memory The University of Texas at Austin College of Liberal Arts 2008 Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program Alison R. Preston, Pl Sponsor for Grants to Trainees National Science Foundation 2023 - 2026Graduate Research Fellowship Program Awarded to Owen Friend (Ph.D. student) National Institute of Health 2018 - 2022Postdoctoral Individual National Research Service Award Nicole Varga (Postdoctoral fellow) Influence of brain maturation on memory representation during development (F32 HD095586) National Institute of Health 2018 - 2019

Predoctoral Individual National Research Service Award

How experience shapes representations of overlapping visual events

Robert Molitor (Ph.D. student)

(F31 NS103458)

Awarded to Jackson Liang (Ph.D. Student)

Continuing Graduate Fellowship

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The University of Texas at Austin Graduate School

2012 - 2013

Alison R. Preston, Ph.D. Curriculum Vitae

2012

University Cooperative Society, The University of Texas at Austin
Undergraduate Research Fellowship
Awarded to Tammy Tran (Undergraduate student)

National Institute of Mental Health 2011 – 2014

Postdoctoral Individual National Research Service Award Awarded to Dagmar Zeithamova (Postdoctoral Fellow)

Medial temporal lobe contributions to flexible use of memory (F32 MH094085)

Department of Defense 2011 – 2014 National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship

Awarded to Margaret Schlichting (Ph.D. student)

National Institute of Mental Health 2011 – 2013

Predoctoral Individual National Research Service Award

Awarded to Sasha Wolosin (Ph.D. student)

The effect of anticipation of episodic memory: Motivation and attention (F31 MH092032)

American Psychological Association 2009 – 2011 Diversity in Neuroscience Graduate Fellowship

Awarded to Sasha Wolosin (Ph.D. student)

Scholarly Presentations

Invited Talks (past 5 years)

Incremental acquisition of cognitive maps through feedback. Winter Conference on Neural Plasticity. Nadi, Fiji. February 2025.

Knowledge acquisition through inference. Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Dartmouth University. February 2025.

Hippocampal and frontoparietal development enhance knowledge of specifics and generalities Symposium presentation, "Insights into flexible cognition: Structure learning, inference, and abstraction based on cognitive maps." Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting. San Francisco, April 2024.

Statistical learning and the brain. Invited participant. Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics, University California Santa Barbara. July 2023.

Hippocampal-prefrontal representations differentiate outcomes that vary by context. Symposium presentation, "Electrophysiological studies of human memory retrieval." (Together with Neal Morton.) Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting. San Francisco, March 2023.

Hippocampal-prefrontal hierarchical representations of experience guide generalization and inference. Mind Meeting, Max Planck Institute for Cognitive and Brain Sciences. Leipzig, Germany. October 2021. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.)

- Hippocampal-prefrontal interactions guide knowledge acquisition and generalization. Bristol Neuroscience, University of Bristol. Bristol, UK. June 2021. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- Hippocampal-prefrontal cognitive maps support abstract inference and context-dependent decision making. Wellcome Centre for Integrative Neuroimaging, Oxford University. Oxford, UK. May 2021. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.)
- Hippocampal-prefrontal interactions guide knowledge acquisition and generalization. Department of Brandeis University. April 2021. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.)
- Hippocampal-medial prefrontal interactions guide how existing memories bias new learning. Symposium presentation, "Role of schemas in shaping memory encoding." Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting. March 2021. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.)
- Hippocampal-prefrontal representations guide generalization and inference. Institute of Psychology, University of Hamburg. Hamburg, Germany. February 2021. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.)
- Hippocampal-prefrontal cognitive maps support abstract inference and context-dependent decision making. Institute of Neuroinformatics, University of Zurich. Zurich, Switzerland. November 2020. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.)
- Hippocampal-prefrontal interactions guide knowledge acquisition and generalization. Department of Psychology, Harvard University. October 2020. (Virtual seminar due to COVID-19 pandemic.)
- Neurocomputational mechanisms of knowledge acquisition and generalization. Symposium presentation, "Integrating theory and data: Using computational models to understand neuroimaging data." Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting. Boston, Massachusetts. March 2020.
- Dynamic interactions between hippocampus and prefrontal cortex mediate cognitive map formation. National Institute on Drug Abuse. Bethesda, MD. December 2019.
- Hippocampal—prefrontal interactions support formation of cognitive maps that generalize across experiences. 4th Quadrennial Meeting on Orbitofrontal Cortex Function. Paris, France. November 2019.
- Building knowledge by integrating memories across time. Presentation at Arthur M. Sackler Colloquia of the National Academy of Sciences, "Brain produces the mind by modeling." Irvine, CA. May 2019.
- Hippocampal and prefrontal mechanisms underlying relational memory formation and reasoning. Symposium presentation, "Relational memory deficits in schizophrenia: What is wrong with the hippocampus and frontal lobe?" Annual meeting of the Schizophrenia International Research Society. Orlando, FL. April 2019.
- Memory assessments across development: Current practices and aspirations for the future.

 Conversation Roundtable Panelist. Annual meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Baltimore, MD. March 2019.

- Conference Presentations (past three years)
- Amatuni, A., Varga, N.L., Gordienko, A., Ashmaig, O., Morton, NW, & **Preston, A.R.** (2024). Inference of latent causes from noisy inputs develops through adolescence. Context and Episodic Memory Symposium. Philadelphia, PA.
- Amatuni, A., Varga, N.L., Gordienko, A., Ashmaig, O., Morton, NW, & **Preston, A.R.** (2024). The development of contextual learning and inference. Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Development Society. Pasadena, CA.
- Friend, O.W., Dutcher, A.M., Varga, N.L., Coughlin, C., & **Preston, A.R.** (2024). Hippocampal maturation supports chaining of temporally related events in memory. Annual Meeting of the Flux Congress. Baltimore, MD.
- Varga, N.L., Cohen, L.B., & **Preston, A.R.** (2024). Reactivation of existing memories during new learning mediates hippocampal memory organization in development. Annual Meeting of the Flux Congress. Baltimore, MD.
- Amatuni, A., Dutcher, A., Coughlin, C., & **Preston, A.R.** (2023). Linking perceptual and semantic predictability to patterns of event segmentation in development. Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society. San Francisco, CA.
- Coughlin, C., Dutcher, A., Hall, C., Gentot, J., Notti, N., Amatuni, A., & **Preston, A.R.** (2023). Imagined movie "sequels" show changes in the composition of episodic future thought during middle- to late-childhood. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Salt Lake City, UT.
- Friend, O.W., Coughlin, C., & **Preston, A.R.** (2023). Specific temporal memory and general temporal knowledge interact during development. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. Washington, DC.
- Kail, A., Coughlin, C., Lawton, J., & **Preston, A.R.** (2023). Subclinical negative affect tracks memory biases on a naturalistic task across development. Annual Meeting of the Anxiety & Depression Association of America. Washington, DC.
- McArthur, A.W.D., Guarino, K.F., Mack, M.L., **Preston, A.R.**, & Schlichting, M.L. (2023). Reasoning about specific relations versus general associations shows protracted development throughout adolescence. Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science. Guelph, CA.
- Nadiadwala, A., **Preston, A.R.**, & Dunsmoor, J.E. (2023). Emotional influence on mnemonic judgements of temporal proximity. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. Washington, DC.
- Roome, H., Sherrill, K., Morton, N., Nguyen, K., Karagoz, A., Coughlin, C. & **Preston, A.R.** (2023). Computational modeling reveals that spatial memory development arises through separable recall and precision processes. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Salt Lake City, UT.

- Amatuni, A., Dutcher, A., Coughlin, C., & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Linking visual predictability in naturalistic videos to patterns of event segmentation in development. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA.
- Bailey, A., Coughlin, C., Alum, Z., Madore, K.P., Schacter, D.L, & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Development of divergent thinking and its association with episodic memory. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neuroscience of Creativity. Virtual meeting.
- Coughlin, C., Schlichting, M.L., Morton, NW, Sherrill, K.R., Moreau, M.M., & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Age-related differences in frontoparietal function support developmental improvements in memory-based inference. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA.
- Kail, A., Coughlin, C., Lawton, J., & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Subclinical psychopathology relates to emotional biases in episodic and non-episodic thinking across development. Wisconsin Symposium on Emotion. Madison, WI.
- Nadiadwala, A., Dunsmoor, J.E., & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Negative emotional overlap in events impedes memory integration and inference. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA.
- Noh, S.M., Morton NW, & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Interleaved learning shapes neural representations in medial prefrontal cortex to enhance categorization of naturalistic stimuli. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA.
- Roome, H.E., Sherrill, K.R., Nguyen, K.V., Karagoz, A.B., Coughlin, C., & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Medial temporal lobe error signals mediate developmental differences in spatial memory precision. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA.
- Sherrill, K.R., Roome, H.E., Karagoz, A.B., Long, J.M., & **Preston, A.R.** (2022). Emergence of hippocampal and ventromedial prefrontal cortex context-dependent coding during virtual navigation. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA.
- Varga, N.L., Roome, H.E., Molitor, R.J., Martinez, L., Hipskind, E.M., Mack, M.L., **Preston, A.R.** & Schlichting, M.L. (2022). Differentiation of related events in hippocampus supports memory organization and retrieval in development. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA.
- Varga, N.L., Roome, H.E., Molitor, R.J., Martinez, L., Hipskind, E.M., Mack, M.L., **Preston, A.R.** & Schlichting, M.L. (2022). Differentiation of related events in hippocampus is associated with successful memory reinstatement in development. Annual Meeting of the Psychonomics Society. Boston, MA
- Ben-Asher, E., Coughlin, C., Roome, H.E., Varga, N.L., Kail, A.K., Lawton, J., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Hippocampal CA subfield structure tracks perceived family dynamics in a normative developmental sample. Annual Meeting of the Social and Affective Neuroscience Society. Virtual meeting.
- Ben-Asher, E., Coughlin, C., Roome, H.E., Varga, N.L., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Paternal mental health interacts with children's hippocampal volume to predict children's anxiety. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Virtual meeting.

- Coughlin, C., Hall, C., Madore, K., Schacter, D.L., Gentot, J., Notti, N., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Development of remember the past and imaging the future: Effects of an episodic specificity induction. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Virtual meeting.
- Coughlin, C., Schlichting, M.L., Sherrill, K.R., Moreau, M., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Angular gyrus recruitment during inference tracks developmental differences in reasoning. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Virtual meeting.
- Coughlin, C., Schlichting, M.L., Sherrill, K.R., Moreau, M., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Developmental differences in posterior parietal cortex function during memory-guided inference. Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society. Virtual meeting.
- Coughlin, C., Schlichting, M.L., Sherrill, K.R., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Developmental differences in brain function during memory-guided inference. Annual meeting of the Flux Congress. Virtual meeting.
- Morton, NW, Pudhiyidath, A., Duran, R.V., Schapiro, A.C., Momennejad, I., Hinojosa-Rowland, D.M., Molitor, R.J., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Neural representations of temporal schemas in hippocampus and precuneus predict schema-based reasoning. Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. Virtual Conference.
- Morton, NW, Zippi, E.L., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Semantic knowledge of famous people and places is represented in distinct networks that converge in hippocampus. SfN Global Connectome Conference.
- Roome, H.E., Majmundar, L., Sherrill, K.R., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Video game experience impacts the development of spatial memory. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Virtual meeting.
- Roome, H.E., Majmundar, L., Sherrill, K.R., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Medial temporal lobe error signaling during navigation tracks developmental differences in spatial representation. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Virtual meeting.
- Sherrill, K., Roome, H.E., Karagoz, A.B., McKee, C.L., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Emergence of hippocampal and ventromedial prefrontal cortex context-dependent coding during virtual navigation. Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society. Virtual meeting.
- Varga, N.L., & **Preston, A.R.** (2021). Developmental differences in hippocampal and prefrontal representations of related memories. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Virtual meeting.
- Varga, N.L., Roome, H.E., Molitor, R.M., Martinez, L., Hipskind, E., Mack, M.L., **Preston, A.R.**, & Schlichting, M.L. (2021). Evidence for different hippocampal codes yet similar neocortical reinstatement of memories across development. Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development. Virtual meeting.

Academic Advising

Research Associates and Postdoctoral Fellows

Christine Coughlin

2016 – 2023, Assistant Professor,
University of Illinois Chicago

Michael Mack 2011 – 2016, Associate Professor,

University of Toronto

Neal Morton 2014 – 2023. Assistant P

eal Morton 2014 – 2023, Assistant Professor,
University of Wisconsin Milwaukee

Hannah Roome 2016 – 2021, Lecturer (Assistant Professor rank), Newcastle University

Margaret Schlichting 2015 – 2016, Associate Professor,

University of Toronto Katherine Sherrill 2015 – 2023

Nicole Varga 2018 – present
Dagmar (Dasa) Zeithamova 2008 – 2014, Associate Professor,
University of Oregon

Doctoral Students Directly Supervised

Andrei Amatuni (Psychology)

Omer Ashmaig (Neuroscience)

Eliya Ben-Asher (Psychology)

Anthony Dutcher (Neuroscience)

Owen Friend (Psychology)

2022 – present

2021 – present

2019 – 2021, Data Scientist, Lumen

Ph.D. 2022, Data Scientist, Senseye

2022 – present

Jackson Liang (Neuroscience) Ph.D. 2015, UX Researcher, Google Robert Molitor (Psychology) Ph.D. 2019, User Research Specialist,

Microsoft
Jianing Mu (Neuroscience)

Ayesha Nadiadwala (Neuroscience)

Microsoft

2022 - present

2020 - 2024

Sharon Noh (Psychology)

Ph.D. 2021, Postdoctoral Fellow,
University of California, Irvine

Athula Pudhiyidath (Psychology) Ph.D. 2020, Data Scientist,

Prime Street

Margaret Schlichting (Psychology)

Ph.D. 2015, Associate Professor,
University of Toronto

Amina Shmanova (Psychology) 2024 - present

Sasha Wolosin (Psychology) Ph.D. 2013, Data Mining Scientist, Apple

Postbaccalaureate and Undergraduate Researchers

More than 150 undergraduates and postbaccalaureate researchers have participated in my lab's research over the course of my career. I list current students and representative trainees who continued on to postgraduate work in the behavioral and biological sciences. Honors students denoted with **.

Current Students and Postbaccalaureate Researchers

Sara Abbas, 2023 – present Milo Araguz, 2024 – present Genna Adelizzi, 2023 – present Mira Bakhta, 2024 – present Indra Basu, 2024 – present
Trisha Clennan, 2024 – present
David Doan, 2022 – present
Eesha Gowda, 2022 – present
Nicole Hinkle, 2024 – present
Bailey Inglish, 2024 – present
Karina Kapoor, 2024 – present
Hareem Musa, 2024 – present
Molly Pierce, 2024 – present
Naveen Pillai, 2024 – present
Amy Pham, 2024 – present
Andre Pham, 2024 – present
Enrique Olan, 2024 – present
Olivia Simmons, 2024 – present

Representative Past Students Who Continued on in Behavioral and Biological Sciences

Zuha Alam, 2018 – 2021

**Manasa Atyam, 2016 - 2019

Aaron Bornstein, 2005 – 2007

Crystal Cook Reeck, 2006 – 2007

Adam Czernuszenko, 2019 – 2022 Manoj Doss, 2009 – 2010

Nicholas Franklin, 2008 – 2009

**Meghan Gaare, 2001 – 2005

Nathan Giles, 2014 – 2015

Will Glynn, 2022 – 2023

Alex Gordienko, 2021 – 2021

Katherine Guarino, 2013 – 2016

Cameron Hall, 2019 – 2021

Elizabeth Hipskind, 2018 – 2020

**Ashley Humphries, 2021 – 2023

Francis Drew Hussey, 2019 – 2021

Ben Hutchinson, 2005 – 2006

**Aeslyn Kail, 2019 – 2023 Ata Karagoz, 2015 – 2020 Robert Kwon, 1999 – 2001 Jane Lange, 2002 Jaida Long, 2018 – 2022 Gwen Lawson, 2006 – 2007 **Laija Majmundar, 2018 – 2020 UT CNS Award for Excellence in Human Ecology

M.D., UT Health Science Center Dean's Scholars Honors Program

Dean's Honored Graduate M.D., UT Health Science Center

Ph.D., NYU

Assistant Professor, UC Irvine

Ph.D., Duke

Associate Professor, Temple University

M.D. student, UT Southwestern

Ph.D., Univ. of Chicago Research Fellow, UT Austin Ph.D., Brown University M.D., University of Virginia Ph.D. student, UCLA Ph.D. student, UT Austin Ph.D. student, UPenn Ph.D., Loyola University

Ph.D. student, University of British Columbia

Ph.D. student, Baylor University

Research Assistant, University of Nebraska

M.D. student, Boston University

Ph.D., Stanford

Assistant Professor, University of Oregon

M.S. student, UT Austin

Ph.D. student, Washington University

M.D., UMDNJ Ph.D., UW

Ph.D. student, Georgia Tech Ph.D., Univ. of Pennsylvania M.D., UT Medical Branch

**Christine Manthuruthil, 2009 – 2012 **Joel Martinez, 2012 – 2013 **Arjun Mukerji, 2010 – 2011 Mohit Nadkarni, 2018 – 2023 **Khanh Nguyen, 2021 – 2022 Kim Nguyen, 2016 – 2020 Miriam Ortega, 2018 – 2021 **Lauren Quesada, 2018 – 2021 **Anatasia Rigney, 2010 – 2011 Nicolaus Schmandt, 2007 – 2009 **Yael Shrager, 2001 – 2003 Miranda Smith, 2023 – 2024 **Tammy Tran, 2012 – 2013 Jennifer (Davie) Yoon, 2001 – 2004 **Ellen Zippi, 2014 – 2017	COLA Junior Fellow, Dean's Scholars Honors Program Dean's Honored Graduate M.D., UT Southwestern Ph.D., Princeton University Ph.D., UC Berkeley Research Assistant, UC Irvine Research Assistant, Stanford University Ph.D., Temple University Ph.D. student, UCLA Dean's Honored Graduate M.D., UT Health Science Center Ph.D., UT Austin Ph.D., Case Western Ph.D., UCSD Research Assistant, UT Austin COLA Junior Fellow, UT Austin Dean's Honored Graduate Ph.D., Johns Hopkins Postdoctoral Fellow, Stanford University Ph.D., Stanford Dean's Scholars Honors Program NSF GRFP Award Dean's Honored Graduate Ph.D., UC Berkeley
<u>Teaching</u>	
UT Austin Grant Writing in Behav and Biol Sciences, PSY 3 Cognitive Neuroscience-W, PSY 355N (undergrander) Principles of Neuroscience I, NEU 482T (graduate) Cognitive Sciences, PSY 394U (graduate), Guest Fundamentals of Cognition, PSY 387R (graduate)	2022 – present aduate), Instructor 2009 – 2015, 2017 – 2018 te), Instructor 2014 st Lecturer 2007 – 2011
Principles of Cognitive Neuroscience, PSY 3875 Intro to Psychology, PSY 301 (undergraduate), (Intro to Cognitive Science, LIN 373 (undergraduate), Principles of Neuroscience I, NEU 382T (graduate), NEU 383T (graduate),	G (graduate), Guest Lecturer 2015, 2017 Guest Lecturer 2010, 2012 ate), Guest Lecturer 2010, 2012, 2017 te), Guest Lecturer 2008, 2010 – 2011
Stanford University The Nervous System, NEU 200 (graduate), Gue Introduction to Neuroscience, PSY 128S (undergondative Psychology, PSY 109S (undergraduate)	graduate), Instructor 2002

Service

Professional Memberships

American Psychological Society
Cognitive Neuroscience Society
Flux Society for Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience
International Society for Behavioural Neuroscience (Elected)
Memory Disorders Research Society (Elected)
Psychonomic Society
Society for Neuroscience
Society for Research in Child Development

Professional Service for Conferences

- Conference Program Committee, Cognitive Neuroscience Society, 2021 present
- Symposium Chair, "How does the developing brain organize experience to model the world?" Flux Congress, 2021
- Symposium Chair, "Children's representation of time in memory and future-oriented thought,"
 Annual Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, 2019
- Nanosymposium Chair, "Cortical-hippocampal interactions," Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, 2018
- Annual Meeting Organizing Committee for the Memory Disorders Research Society, 2014
- Nanosymposium Chair, "Human long-term memory," Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, 2014
- Nanosymposium Chair, "Relational Memory", Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, 2010
- Co-Chair Slide Session, "Human Episodic Memory," Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. 2002

Grant Reviewing

- Dutch Research Council (NWO)
- Indiana Alzheimer's Disease Center
- Israel Science Foundation
- National Institute of Health (Ad hoc) Behavioral Neuroscience Fellowship Study Section, Cognition and Perception (CP) Study Section, Neurobiology of Learning and Memory (LAM) Study Section, NIGMS Special Emphasis Panel; NIMH Silvio O. Conte Centers for Basic Neuroscience or Translational Mental Health Research Study Section; NIMH Board of Scientific Counselors (Intramural program review); NIMH Institutional Training Grant (T32) Study Section
- National Institute of Health (Regular member) Neurobiology of Learning and Memory (LAM) Study Section
- National Science Foundation Cognitive Neuroscience Program, Major Research Instrumentation Program
- Wellcome Trust

Editorial Positions

Editorial Advisory Board, Oxford Open Neuroscience Associate Editor, Psychonomic Bulletin & Review Guest Reviewing Editor, eLife 2021 - present 2016 - 2023

2017 – 2018

Consulting Editor, Journal of Experimental Psychology: General

2013 - 2018

Journal and Book Reviewing

Archives of General Psychiatry

Biological Psychiatry

Brain and Cognition

Cerebral Cortex

Child Development

Cognition

Cognitive, Affective, and Behavioral Neuroscience

Cognitive Neuroscience

Cortex

Current Biology

Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences

Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience

eLife

Frontiers in Human Neuroscience

Hippocampus

Human Brain Mapping

Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience

Journal of Experimental Psychology: General

Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition

Journal of Neuroscience

Learning & Memory

Nature

Nature Communications

Nature Human Behavior

Nature Neuroscience

Nature Reviews Neuroscience

Neurobiology of Learning and Memory

Neuroimage

Neuron

Neuropsychologia

Neuropsychology

Neuroscience Letters

Palgrave Macmillian

Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B

PLOS Biology

PNAS

Psychological Review

Psychological Science

Schizophrenia Bulletin

Science

Science Advances

Trends in Cognitive Science

Trends in Neurosciences

Department Service

Faculty Mentor, Alexander Huth (Neuroscience)
Steering Committee, UT Austin Conference on Learning & Memory

2017 - present

2014 - present

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	Alison R. Preston, Ph.D. Curriculum Vitae
Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee (Psychology) Opportunity Hiring Committee (Neuroscience) Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee (Neuroscience) Neuroscience Faculty Workload/Merit Review Committee Structure and Governance Committee, Psychology Chair's Advisory Committee, Neuroscience Area Head, Cognitive Neuroscience, Psychology Chair, Psychology (Cognitive Neuroscience) FII Search Committee Steering Committee, Psychology Faculty Mentor, Jessica Church-Lang, Psychology Symposium Chair, Temporal Coding in Episodic Memory, UT Austin Conference on Learning & Memory	2023 2022 - 2024 2022 - 2023 2016 - 2018, 2021 2020 - 2021 2018 - 2020 2016 - 2020 2016 - 2019 2016 - 2019 2014 - 2019 2019
Chair, Promotion Committee, Jessica Church-Lang (Psychology) Third Year Review Committee, Ian Nauhaus (Psychology & Neuroscience) Strategic Planning Committee, Neuroscience Neuroscience Faculty Workload/Merit Review Committee Chair, Subject Pool Committee, Psychology Faculty Mentor, Laura Colgin, Neuroscience FII-2 Strategic Planning Committee, Psychology IRC Director Search Committee, Psychology Chair, Third Year Review Committee, Jessica Church-Lang, Psychology Promotion & Tenure Committee, Neuroscience Graduate Student Awards and Fellowships Committee, Psychology Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Cognitive Neuroscience, Psychology Symposium Chair, Human Memory Research, UT Austin Conference on Learning & Memory Website Redesign Committee, Center for Learning and Memory	2018 2017 - 2018 2016 - 2018 2016 - 2018 2016 - 2018 2014 - 2017 2016 2015 - 2016 2014, 2016 2014 - 2016 2014 - 2015 2011 - 2013 2011 - 2012 2007 - 2010
College Service	
Co-Director, Center for Learning & Memory T32 NRSA Faculty Mentor, T32 NRSA Training in Biomedical Big Data Science Selection Committee, T32 NRSA Training in Biomedical Big Data Science CNS Promotion and Tenure Committee Scholarship Committee, Institute for Neuroscience Faculty Representative, CNS Dean Candidate Interview Committee Faculty Search Committee, Neuroscience/Math Department Joint Search	2015 - present 2016 - 2020 2018 - 2020 2018, 2019 2014 - 2018 2018 2014 - 2015
University Service	
Chair, Comprehensive Periodic Review Committee, President's Office Vice Provost for Faculty Development Lead, Strategic Planning for Faculty Talent Development President's Promotion and Tenure Committee for Professional-Track Faculty Explore UT Planning Committee Faculty Lead, Growing Biomedical Imaging Faculty Cluster Hiring Co-Chair, Biomedical Engineering Faculty Search Committee Interim Vice President of Research Lead, Research Restart Committee for COVID-19 response Member, Executive Committee for COVID-19 response President's Promotion and Tenure Committee	2024 - present 2021 - present 2021 - present 2022 - 2024 2022 2019 - 2021 2019 - 2021 2020 - 2021 2020 - 2021 2020 - 2021 2020 - 2021

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	Alison R. Preston, Ph.D. Curriculum Vitae
Advisory Board, PUSH Program, Sanger Learning Center Director, Biomedical Imaging Center (BIC) Health Translation Opportunities Committee – Imaging BIC Director Search Committee, Vice President for Research Office VPR UT Brain Limited Submission Proposal Review Panel Faculty Search Committee, Imaging Research Center Institute for Neuroscience Seminar Committee Imaging Research Center Safety Committee Imaging Research Center Scanner Upgrade Committee	2017 - 2020 2018 - 2020 2019 - 2020 2018 - 2019 2018 2011 - 2013 2008 - 2009 2008 2008
Public Outreach Lectures to UT Austin Community	
Moderator, CNS Cross-Cutting Conversations, UT Austin Invited Lecture, Psychology Advisory Council, UT Austin Invited Lecture, Physics Education Forum, UT Austin Invited Lecture, Psychology Reunion, UT Austin Invited Lecture, Physics Education Forum, UT Austin Invited Lecture, Beta Beta Beta, Biological Honors Society, UT Austin Invited Lecture, Science Study Break, UT Life Sciences Library Invited Lecture, Professional Development Series, UT Austin Learning Center Lab Presentation at UT Austin Research Week Presentation to Texas Exes Alumni Class of 1959	2019 2016 2015 2012 2011 2011 2010 2010 2009 2009
Public Outreach Lectures to the General Public	
Panel Member, Memory Matters, Texas Science Festival Panel Member, Science of Play, Texas Science Festival Brain Inspired Podcast Women in STEM Lecture Series, Lakeside High School, Seattle, WA Invited Lecture, Girls' School of Austin Science Friday Goes to the Movies Invited Lecture, Explore UT Invited Lecture, Girls' School of Austin Invited Lecture, UT Brainstorms, UT Austin Keynote Lecture, CoLA/CNS Memory Matters luncheon, Harvard Club, NYC Invited Lecture, Texas Fresh Air Invited Lecture, Austin Retired Teachers Association Invited Lecture, Quest Program, Osher Lifelong Learning Center Invited Lecture, Longhorn Village Retirement Center Invited Lecture, Nova Program, Osher Lifelong Learning Center Invited Lecture, Learning Activities for Mature People (LAMP) Invited Lecture, Westminster Manor Retirement Community Invited Lecture, Hot Science – Cool Talks, Environmental Sciences, UT Austinvited Lecture, Science in the Pub Prosportations at "Memory Matters" Appual CLM Rublic Lecture Series	2016 2014 2014 2013 2013 2012 2012 2012 2012 2011 2011
Presentations at "Memory Matters" Annual CLM Public Lecture Series	2008 – 2010, 2012

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Leadership Accomplishments

Interim Vice President for Research, The University of Texas at Austin

- Served on University Executive Committee for COVID-19 response and chaired the Research Restart subcommittee
- Launched Protect Texas Together app, which supported testing and tracking capabilities for faculty, students, and staff during the pandemic
- Developed High-throughput Testing Core through the Center for Biomedical Research Support, which provided on-site PCR testing through the global pandemic
- Hosted COVID-19 research conference to highlight UT research and scholarly findings related to the global pandemic
- Created a Social Justice Network and Conference, which brought together interdisciplinary researchers from multiple colleges and centers whose work focuses on issues surrounding justice, equity, diversity, and inclusivity
- Supported a successful \$20M National Science Foundation proposal to establish the UT Austin Institute for Machine Learning
- Led the foundation of a strategic research partnership between UT Austin and the MD Anderson Cancer Center, which catalyzed interactions between faculty across institutions and provided seed funding for collaborative research projects
- Hired the inaugural Associate Vice President for Innovation and Economic Impact and created a new strategic plan for technology commercialization and entrepreneurship
- Developed a strategic plan for recapitalizing university core facilities and as a first implementation step secured \$12M in funding to recapitalize the Biomedical Imaging Center at UT Austin
- Developed a strategic plan for science and security, which involved convening a new cross-unit team to consider risk assessment, risk monitoring, tracking of visiting scholars, and enhanced conflict of interest and conflict of commitment policies and training
- Catalyzed the renaming of the portfolio to the Vice President for Research, Scholarship, and Creative Endeavors and secured new funding to expand the research development team to include officers focused on scholarship in the arts and humanities
- Secured funding to expand the VPR communications team to better highlight the scholarship of UT faculty
- Restructured the VPR financial and research technology teams to provide more effective budgetary and technical support for the portfolio's reporting units

Vice Provost for Faculty Development, The University of Texas at Austin

- Established a new portfolio in the Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost's to support faculty success throughout their lifecycle at UT
- Performed internal and external asset mapping in coordination with outside consultants to develop
 a comprehensive strategic plan for faculty development programming
- Lead the faculty success initiatives under the President's university-wide strategic plan, which drew upon the faculty development strategic plan that I created
- Secured institutional funds to support new faculty development portfolio and programming
- Recruited Director of Faculty Development and project coordinators to support implementation of the strategic plan
- Launched new mentorship programming for both tenure-track, tenured, and professional track faculty at UT
- Created training and toolkit for best practices in faculty mentorship
- Support mid-career Associate Professor Experimental program for newly tenured faculty, which

provides \$100K grants to fund collaborative projects among scholars

- Created and launched two new leadership academies for aspiring and research leaders
- Worked collaboratively with the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity to host several on-campus workshops for faculty including on time management, mentorship, and building a productive publishing pipeline
- Developed Faculty Writing Community Program to promote accountability in faculty writing practices by providing space, time, and guidance for faculty to advance their scholarly projects
- Worked collaboratively with the UT Meadows Center to develop quantitative and qualitative evaluation metrics and benchmarks of success for all faculty development programming whether one-time offerings or long-term programs
- Re-envisioned our residential Harrington Faculty Fellows program to increase its national visibility and impact, including working with external marketing and branding consultants
- Developed a new strategic plan for faculty onboarding at UT Austin, resulting in the New Faculty Launch program; Design of this program involved meetings with Deans and Associate Deans in each academic college and focus groups with recently hired faculty to understand faculty onboarding and development needs; The resulting program was a direct result of this input
- Piloted a new approach to new faculty mentorship, which used a constellation mentoring model to provide new faculty mentors both within and external to their home department; Developed a training and mentorship curriculum for leaders of the faculty mentorship committees