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## AFFILIATIONS

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2024 – Associate Professor  
2023 – Director, UCLA Center for Friendship Research  
2023 – 2024 Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology  
**The University of California, Los Angeles**

2018 – 2023 Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology  
**Oklahoma State University**

2026 – Research Fellow  
**The Connection Institute**

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., Social Psychology (2018). Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.

M.Sc., Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology (2012). University of Oxford, Oxford, UK.

M.L.A. (2009). University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

A.B., Classical and Near Eastern Archaeology (2006). Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA.  
*magna cum laude*

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Becker, D.V., Kenrick, D.T., Neuberg, S.L., Varnum, M.E.W., Sundie, J., Pick, C...**Krems, J. A.**...& Schaller, M. (accepted). Fundamental Evolved Motives Meet Environmental Threats and Opportunities. *Evolution and Human Behavior*.

**Krems, J. A.**, & Kaufman, V. (2026). Friendship: The Most Overlooked Public Health Asset. *Policy Insights from the Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 13(1), 93-100.

\*Hahnel-Peeters, R. K., **Krems, J. A.**, Williams, K. E. G., & Pederson, E. (2026). Canceling creativity? Exploring artist censure as a function of crime type. *Psychology of Aesthetics, Creativity, and the Arts*.

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Parkinson, C., & **Krems, J. A.** (2025). Beyond the Dyad: How Do Cognitive Representations of Social Networks Develop? [Commentary]. *Behavioral & Brain Sciences*.

#Moon, J. W., & #**Krems, J. A.** (2025). The role of sanctity of life concerns in shaping policy preferences: Unveiling hidden reproductive goals. *Social Psychology and Personality Science*, 17(1), 27-37.

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**[2024 HBES Postdoctoral Award Finalist]**

\*#Duarte, K., #\*Rodriguez, N. N., **Krems, J. A.**, French, J., & Byrd-Craven, J. (2025). (Why) Do people disfavor competitiveness in women? Pre-registered tests between three theories. *Evolutionary Behavioral Science*.

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\*Wee, Y., Sznycer, D., & **Krems, J. A.** (2025). Laws about bodily damage originate from shared intuitions about the value of body parts. *Science Advances*, eads3688.

**[2026 HBES New Investigator Award Finalist]**

\*Merrie, L. A., **Krems, J. A.**, Sznycer, D., & \*Rodriguez, N. N. (2025). Trust: An adaptationist account. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 46(1), 106648.

\*Patel, D., **Krems, J. A.**, Byrd-Craven, J., Mullins, L., Welch, G., & Rybak, T. (2025). Parental stigma or medical neglect in childhood obesity. *Journal of Pediatric Psychology*, 50, 96.

\*Merrie, L. A., **Krems, J. A.**, & Byrd-Craven, J. (2025). Who is a mating rival? Women track other women's intent and capacity to compete for mates. *Evolutionary Behavioral Science*.

**Krems, J. A.**, \*Merrie, L. A., \*Rodriguez, N. N., & Williams, K. E. G. (2024). Venting makes our friends prefer—and preferentially support—us over the friends we vent about. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 45(4), 106-108.

**[Top 12 Amazing UC Discoveries of 2024; work selected to represent UCLA]**

Ayers, J. A., **Krems, J. A.**, & Aktipis, A. (2024). How do you build a perfect friend? Evidence from two forced-choice decision-making experiments. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 41(8), 2387-2410.

\*Merrie, L. A., **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (2024). Dyads in networks: We (dis)like our partners' partners based on their anticipated indirect effects on us. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 45(3), 203-213.

**Krems, J. A.**, French, J., & Filip-Crawford, G. (2024). A secret language of aggression: Disgust expressions may signal impending social exclusion among women. *Frontiers in Social Psychology* [Special Issue: Rising Stars in Social Psychology].

\*Rodriguez, N. N., & **Krems, J. A.** (2024). Explaining why people disfavor dominant leaders and exploring overlooked sources of women's dominance and leadership. *Evolution & Human Behavior*. [Commentary].

\*Layman, H., \*Creech, K. F., \*Patel, D., Kierns, N., \*Garza, L., Tsotsoros, C. E., **Krems, J. A.**, & Hawkins, M. A. W. (2024). The association of adverse childhood experiences and weight stigma above and beyond parental, peer, and media influences. *Stigma and Health*.

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- Keirns, N. G., Keirns, B. H., Tsotsoros, C. E., \*Layman, H. M., \*Stout, M. E., \*Sciarrilo C. M., Emerson, S. E., Byrd-Craven, J., **Krems, J. A.**, Pearl, R. L., Tomiyama, A.J., & Hawkins, M. A. W. (2023). The acute inflammatory effects of weight stigma: An experimental pilot study. *Stigma and Health*.
- \*Ko, A., \*Bock, J., Ko, J., & **Krems, J. A.** (2023). Contagious or prosocial? Perceptions of White and Asian mask-wearers: A cross-cultural comparison during the early stage of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*.
- \*Guevara Beltran, D., Whisner, C., **Krems, J. A.**, Todd, P., & Aktipis, A. (2023). Food scarcity and disease concern reduce interdependence when people eat together. *European Journal of Social Psychology*.
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Hahnel-Peeters, R., \*Merrie, L. A., Williams, K. E. G., & Sznycer, D. (2023). Sometimes we want vicious friends: People have nuanced preferences for how they want friends to behave toward them versus others. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 44(2), 88-98.
- Ayers, J. D., **Krems, J. A.**, & Aktipis, A. (2023). A factor analytic examination of women's and men's friendship preferences. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 206, 112-120.
- \*Patel, D., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Stout, M., Byrd-Craven, J., & Hawkins, M. A. W. (2023). Parents of children with high weight are viewed as responsible for child weight and thus stigmatized. *Psychological Science*, 34(1), 35-46.
- Krems, J. A.**, & \*Bock, J. (2023). The role of women's and men's body sizes—and shapes—in explicit and implicit fat stigma. *Obesity* 3(2), 97-118.
- Barlev, M., \*Ko, A., **Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2022). Weight location moderates weight-based self-devaluation and perceived social devaluation in women. *Social Psychological and Personal Science*, 13(8), 1199-1209.
- Krems, J. A.**, Williams, K. E. G., \*Merrie, L. A., Kenrick, D. T., & Aktipis, A. (2022). Sex similarities and differences in friendship jealousy. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 43(2), 97-106.
- Williams, K. E. G., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Ayers, J. A., & \*Rankin, A. M. (2022). Sex differences in friendship preferences. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 43(1), 44-52.
- Bradshaw, H., **Krems, J. A.**, & Hill, S. E. (2022). Resource availability differentially influences women's perceptions of same- (vs. cross-) sex others' competitiveness. *Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences*.
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Merrie, L. A., \*Short, T., \*Duarte, K., \*Rodriguez, N. N., French, J. E., Sznycer, D., & Byrd-Craven, J. (2022). Third-party perceptions of male and female status cues: Male physical strength and female physical attractiveness cue high status. *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution*, 294. [Special issue: Sex and Gender Effects on Status, Dominance, and Leadership: An Interdisciplinary Look at Humans and Other Mammalian Societies]

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- \*Ayers, J., **Krems, J. A.**, Hess, N., & Aktipis, A. (2022). Mother-in-law daughter-in-law conflict: An evolutionary perspective and report of empirical data from the U.S. *Evolutionary Psychological Science*, 8(1), 56-71.
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Claessens, S., \*Fales, M. R., Campenni, M., Haselton, M. G., & Aktipis, A. (2021). An agent-based model of the female rivalry hypotheses for concealed ovulation in humans. *Nature Human Behaviour*, 5, 726-735.
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Ko, A., \*Moon, J. W., & Varnum, M. E. W. (2021). Lay beliefs about gender and sexual behavior: First evidence for a pervasive, robust (but unfounded) stereotype. *Psychological Science*, 32(6), 871-889.
- [Top Ten Most Impactful Articles of 2021, APS]  
[Received research spotlight, APS]
- Krems, J. A.**, Williams, K. E. G., Aktipis, A., & Kenrick, D. T. (2021). Friendship jealousy: One tool for maintaining friendships in the face of third-party threats? *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 120(4), 977-1012.
- Cook, C. L., **Krems, J. A.**, & Kenrick, D. T. (2021). Fundamental motives illuminate a broad range of individual and cultural variations in thought and behavior. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, 30(3), 242-250.
- Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2021). Updating long-held assumptions about fat stigma: For women, body shape plays a critical role. *Social Psychological and Personal Science*, 13(1), 70-82.
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- \*Moon, J. W., **Krems, J. A.**, & Cohen, A. B. (2021). Is there anything good about atheists? Exploring positive and negative stereotypes of the religious and nonreligious. *Social Psychological and Personal Science*, 12(8), 1505-1516.
- Varnum, M. E. W., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Wormley, A., Morris, C., & Grossmann, I. (2021). Why are song lyrics becoming simpler? A time series analysis of lyrical complexity in six decades of American popular music. *PLOS ONE*.
- \*Lopez, S. V., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Dunn, D. S., \*Warner, E. A., & Leffingwell, T. R. (2021). Short-term mating orientation as a predictor of alcohol-related risky sexual behavior. *Journal of American College Health*(6), 1670-1675.
- Krems, J. A.**, & Conroy-Beam, D. (2020). First tests of Euclidean preference integration in friendship: Euclidean friend value and power of choice on the friend market. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 41(3), 188-198.
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Rankin, A., & \*Northover, S. B. (2020). Evidence for women's strategic defenses against same-sex aggression: Evidence from sartorial choices. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, 11(6), 770-781.

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- \*Ko, A., \*Pick, C., \*Kwon, J. Y., \*Barlev, M., **Krems, J. A.**, Varnum, M. E. W., ... & Kenrick, D. T. (2020). Family matters: Rethinking the social psychology of human motivation. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 15(1), 173–201.
- [2020 SPSP Outstanding Research Award]**
- \*Moon, J. W., **Krems, J. A.**, & Cohen, A. B. (2020). Opposition to short-term mating predicts dislike of atheists. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 165(15), 110-136.
- Neuberg, S. L., Williams, K. E. G., Sng, O., \*Pick, C. M., Neel, R. **Krems, J. A.**, Pirlott, A. G. (2020). Toward capturing the functional and nuanced nature of social stereotypes: An affordance management approach. *Advances in Experimental Social Psychology*, Vol. 62 (p. 245-304).
- Krems, J. A.**, & Wilkes, J. (2019). Why are conversations limited to about four people? A theoretical exploration of the conversation size constraint. *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 40(3), 140 -147.
- \*Moon, J. W., **Krems, J. A.**, Cohen, A. B., & Kenrick, A. B. (2019). Is nothing sacred? Religion, sex, and reproductive strategies. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, 28(4), 361-365.
- Aktipis, A., Cronk, L.,<sup>†</sup> Alcock, A., \*Ayers, J., Balliet, D., Boddy, A. Curry, O. S., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Munoz, A., Sullivan, D., Szyner, D., Wasielewski, H., Wilkinson, G., & Winfrey, P. (2018). Understanding cooperation through fitness interdependence. *Nature Human Behavior*, 2(7), 429-431.
- <sup>†</sup>Trailing authors listed in alphabetical order
- \*Moon, J. W., **Krems, J. A.**, & Cohen, A. B. (2018). Religious targets are trusted because they are viewed as slow life-history strategists. *Psychological Science*, 29(6), 947-960.
- Krems, J. A.**, & Varnum, M. E. W. (2017). More than just climate: The role of other ecological dimensions in explaining human aggression across societies [commentary]. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 40, e89.
- Krems, J. A.**, Kenrick, D. T., & Neel, R. (2017). Individual perceptions of self-actualization: What functional motives are linked to fulfilling one's full potential? *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 43(9), 1337-1352.
- Krems, J. A.**, Neel, R., Neuberg, S. L., Puts, D. A., & Kenrick, D. T. (2016). Women selectively guard their (desirable) mates from ovulating women. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 101(4), 551-573.
- Krems, J. A.**, Dunbar, R. I. M., & Neuberg, S. L. (2016). Something to talk about: Are conversation sizes constrained by mental modeling abilities? *Evolution and Human Behavior*, 36(6), 423-428.
- Krems, J. A.**, Neuberg, S. L., Filip-Crawford, G., & Kenrick, D. T. (2015). Is she angry? (Sexually desirable) Women 'see' anger on female faces. *Psychological Science*, 26(11), 1655-1663.
- David-Barrett, T., Rotkirch, A., Carney, J., Behncke Izquierdo, I., **Krems, J. A.**, Townley, D., McDaniell, E., Byrne-Smith, A., & Dunbar, R. I. M. (2015). Women favor dyadic relationships, but men prefer clubs: Cross-cultural evidence from social networking. *PLOS ONE*, 10(3), e0118329.

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**Krems, J. A.**, & Dunbar, R. I. M. (2013). Clique size and network characteristics in hyperlink cinema: Constraints of evolved psychology. *Human Nature*, 24(4), 414-429.

### Papers in Invited Revision, Under Review

\*Acevedo, E., Pinsof, D., Sznycer, D., Williams, K.E.G., & **Krems, J. A.** (under review). Political alliances track partisan differences in perceptions of discrimination.

\*Acevedo, E., Pinsof, D., Al-Shawaf, L., & **Krems, J. A.** (under review). The information extraction theory of awe.

[2025 HBES New Investigator Award Finalist]

\*Duarte, K., **Krems, J. A.**, & Byrd-Craven, J. (invited revision under review). Strategic Modesty in Women's Same-Gender Interactions: Response to Compliments and Anticipated Backlash. *Evolutionary Psychological Sciences*.

\*Gelbart, B., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Pick, C. M., Ganesan, A., Thompson, M. F., & Cohen, A. (invited minor revision). Jealousy Decreases as Rival Number Increases: Pre-Registered Tests Differentiating Between Functional and Intuitive Views. *Emotion*.

**Krems, J. A.**, \*Katz, J., \*Chin, T., \*Algozo, E., & Kenrick, D. T. (invited revision). The good, bad, and friendly: How friends help and hinder progress toward fundamental goals.

**Krems, J. A.**, Kenrick, D. T., \*Chin, T., \*Algozo, E., \*Katz, J., & \*Hong, H. (under review). Bad friends: A functional perspective on the benefits and burdens of friendship.

Moon, J. W., **Krems, J. A.**, & Pinsof, D. (under review). Resolving the gender paradox in abortion attitudes.

\*Rodriguez, N. N., **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (under review). Sex-specific stereotypes of intrasexual aggression reflect how the sexes use aggression across five nations.

Wiersma, L., Layman, H., **Krems, J. A.**, Garza, L., Lopez, S., Hawkins, M. A. W., & Keirns, N. (invited revision under review). Beyond Body Size: Gender Specific Associations between Self-Perceived Body Shape and Experienced and Internalized Weight Stigma. *Journal of Health Psychology*.

### Chapters, Book Forewords, and Encyclopedia Entries

Ayers, J. A., & **Krems, J. A.** (forthcoming). The evolutionary psychology of friendship In A. Gallup, G Geher, & S. Karthikeyan (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Evolutionary Psychology*. Oxford University Press.

**Krems, J. A.**, & Byrd-Craven, J. (forthcoming). An evolutionary understanding of friendship In M. Fisher (Ed.), *APA Handbook of Evolutionary Psychology*. APA.

\*Zankich, V., **Krems, J. A.**, & Frederick, D. (2025). Friendship: Intrasexual competition. In T. K. Shackelford (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Sexual Psychology and Behavior*. Springer.

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- Fisher, M., & **Krems, J. A.** (2023). An evolutionary review of female intrasexual competition. In D. Buss (Ed.), *The Oxford handbook of human mating*. John Wiley & Sons.
- Krems, J. A.** (2022). Foreword. In A. Alkon, *Meangirl-ology: How to protect yourself from sneak attacks and social ruin* (pp. 2-4). Creators Publishing.
- Krems, J. A.**, Bradshaw, H., & \*Merrie, L. A. (2022). Intrasexual aggression. In J. Mogliski & T. Shackelford (Eds.), *The Oxford handbook of evolutionary psychology and romantic relationships*. Oxford University Press.
- Vaillancourt, T., & **Krems, J. A.** (2018). The development of female aggression in evolutionary perspective. In S. M. Coyne & J. M. Ostrov (Eds.), *The development of relational aggression*. Oxford University Press.
- Kenrick, D. T., & **Krems, J. A.** (2018). Well-being, self-actualization, and fundamental motives: An evolutionary perspective. In E. Diener, S. Oishi, & L. Tay (Eds.), *e-Handbook of subjective well-being*. Nobascholar.
- Krems, J. A.** (2017). Verbal derogation among women. In T. Shackelford & V. Weekes-Shackelford (Eds.), *The encyclopedia of evolutionary psychological science*. Springer.

## LEADERSHIP

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- Co-editor of *Evolution and Human Behavior* - Special Issue on Friendship (2025 – 2026)
- Co-creator and Director, The UCLA Center for Friendship Research (2023 – present)
- Creator and co-organizer, Advancing Diversity with Anthropological and Psychological Training (ADAPT) Award Program to support underrepresented students in research experiences, Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES) (2022 – 2025)
- Elected Member-at-large, Executive Council, HBES (2021 – 2027)
- Co-founder, the Oklahoma Center for Evolutionary Analysis (OCEAN), Oklahoma State University (2019)
- Co-founder and co-organizer, The OCEAN Speaker Series, Oklahoma State University (2020 – 2023)
- Co-founder and co-organizer, Flyover State Scientists Integrating Evolution (FOSSIL) Conference, Oklahoma State University (2019 – 2023)
- Chair, Grievance Committee (resource and first line of response for conference climate concerns; aims to increase active participation and diverse retention of members), HBES (2018 – 2025)
- Co-organizer, The Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at SPSP (the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference) (2018 – 2021)
- Creator and co-organizer, The Post-Simian Seminar (annual international retreat for emerging and leading minds in evolutionary social science) (2015 – present)

## GRANTS, AWARDS, & HONORS

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## Research-related Grants, Awards, & Honors

- 2026** National Science Foundation (NSF) Award (Conference: AI and the Future of Friendship)  
Cato Foundation Award, The Psychology of Progress (The Effect of Freedom on Friendship)  
The Elizabeth L. Bjork Mentoring Award (UCLA)
- 2025** Winner, Gordon Bear Best Student Talk Award, NEEPS (for **\*\*Zhu, C., \*Rodriguez, N., & Krems, J. A.**)  
Finalist, HBES New Investigator Award (for **\*Acevedo, E.,... & Krems, J. A.**, under review)
- 2024** National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Award (Going Beyond the Dyad: A Network Theory for Understanding the Challenges of Friendship)  
Luskin Award for Thought Leadership, UCLA  
Research selected as one of the 12 Amazing UC Discoveries of 2024 (the Office of the President selects a single finding from each of the UC campuses and national centers; my work was selected to represent UCLA)  
Nomination: HBES Don Symons Adaptationist Award for best paper in evolutionary social science (for Krems et al., 2021 *JPSP*)  
Finalist, HBES Postdoctoral Award (for Moon & Krems, 2025)  
UCLA Initiative to Study Hate (Tests of an Engineering Perspective of Hatred Toward Jews, PI)
- 2023** Fellow, Society of Experimental Social Psychology (SESP)  
HBES Rising Star Award  
BeSample Early Adopter Research Grant
- 2022** Top Ten Most Impactful Articles of 2021, Association for Psychological Science (APS) (for Krems et al., 2021)  
Wentz Research Award, Oklahoma State University  
AURCA Funding (to provide paid undergraduate research experiences for historically underrepresented students), Oklahoma State University
- 2021** College of Arts & Sciences Summer Research Grant, Oklahoma State University
- 2020** Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Outstanding Research Award (for **\*Ko et al.**, 2020)  
NIH/NHLBI F31 (F31HL152620) Grant, Acute Inflammatory Effects of Weight Stigma in Overweight/Obesity (consultant to **\*Natalie Kierns & Dr. Misty Hawkins**)
- 2018** Outstanding Research Award, Graduate and Professional Student Association,

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- Arizona State University
- Finalist, SPSP Student Poster Award (for \*Moon et al., 2018)
- 2017** Robert B. Cialdini Dissertation Project Prize in Social Psychology, Arizona State University
- Faculty Women's Association Distinguished Graduate Student Award, Arizona State University
- Darwyn and Marie Linder Graduate Fellowship in Social Psychology, Arizona State University
- Research Grant (Co-Investigator), Institute for Social Science Research, Arizona State University
- Harry Lowell Swift Advancing Health Scholarship, Institute for Social Science Research, Arizona State University
- Mayo Clinic/Arizona State University Obesity Solutions Travel Award
- 2016** Philanthropic Education Organization (PEO) International Scholar Award
- Psychology Doctoral Scholar Award, Arizona State University
- 2015** Obesity Solutions Seed Funding Grant (Co-Investigator), Mayo Clinic/Arizona State University
- 2013** Graduate and Professional Student Association Grant for Independent Research, Arizona State University

### Other Grants, Honors, & Awards

- 2026** Research Fellow, The Institute for Connection
- 2024** UCLA Academic Senate Conference Travel Grant
- 2023** Nomination: Science in Society Journalism Award – “Science Reporting” – National Association of Science Writers (“What really drives anti-abortion beliefs? Research suggests it’s a matter of sexual strategies”)
- 2023** IRB Certificate of Excellence (for dedication to ethical research practices), Oklahoma State University
- 2023** IRB Certificate of Excellence (with Krystal Duarte; for dedication to ethical research practices), Oklahoma State University
- 2022** Sponsorship grant (OCEAN Speaker Series), HBES
- 2020, 2019, 2022** Nomination: Women's Faculty Council Rising Star Award, Oklahoma State University
- 2022** Sponsorship grant (OCEAN Speaker Series), HBES
- 2022** College of Arts & Sciences Travel Award, Oklahoma State University
- 2022** Nomination: College of Arts & Sciences Distinguished Teaching Award, Oklahoma State University

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2021	Nomination: College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award, Oklahoma State University
2020	Sponsorship Grant (OCEAN Speaker Series), HBES
2019	Admired Scholar to Diversity Award-winner, SPSP
2019	Sponsorship Grant for (FOSSIL Conference), HBES
2019	Award to co-found Oklahoma Center for Evolutionary Analysis (The OCEAN), College of Arts & Sciences, Oklahoma State University
2019	President's Fellows Funding for OCEAN, Oklahoma State University
2019	Sponsorship Grant (Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at SPSP), HBES
2019	Sponsorship Grant (OCEAN Speaker Series), HBES
2016 – 2018	College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Graduate Excellence Award, Arizona State University
2018	Sponsorship Grant (Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at SPSP), HBES
2016	SPSP Graduate Student Travel Award
2016	HBES Graduate Student Travel Award
2012 – 2016	Department of Psychology Travel Award, Arizona State University
2015	Graduate Education Travel Funding Award, Arizona State University
2015, 2012	Graduate and Professional Student Association Grant for Conference Travel, Arizona State University
2012	The Reach for the Stars Fellowship, Arizona State University

## RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

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### Selected Invited Talks, Panels, & Workshops

Upcoming	Relationships Preconference, Society for Experimental Social Psychology (SESP), Montreal, Canada
	TEDx @ UCLA
	Kaiser Permanente
2026	UCLA's Hochberg Salon, San Deigo, CA
	The Cooperative Futures Institute/Arizona State University, AI, Cooperation, and Friendship Workshop
	Resonate (community talk) – <i>The Science of Friendship</i>
	UCLA Day at Geffen Academy
	Microsoft

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- Cooperation and AI Benchmarks Workshop, Los Angeles, CA  
 UCLA Chancellor's Society, Palo Alto & San Francisco, CA  
 McGill University, Social Psychology Brown Bag
- 2025**  
 UCLA Technology Development Group Annual Board Meeting  
**[Keynote Talk]**  
 Lectures on Tap (public talk, sold out) – *The Science of Friendship*  
 UC-Riverside, Social Psychology Seminar Series  
 Center for the Study of Human Nature, California State University Fullerton  
 UCLA Bruin Family Weekend (Royce Hall) – *The Anti-Lonely Brain: How Evolution Wired Us for Friendship*  
 University of Michigan, Research Center for Group Dynamics  
 University of Toronto, Toronto Relationships Interest Group  
 UCLA, Department of Communication  
 Virginia Commonwealth University, Social Psychology Brown Bag
- 2024**  
 University of California, Santa Barbara, Department of Psychology  
 Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Aarhus, Denmark  
**[Invited Plenary]**  
 Dynamic Interactions and Methodologies Symposium: Rethinking the Quali-Quantitative Divide in the Study of Human Connection and Friendship, UCLA  
 The Love Consortium Workshop on Friendship, University of North Carolina  
 University of California, San Diego, Department of Psychology SoCal Lab  
 Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) conference
- 2023**  
 University of California, San Diego, Social Psychology Brown Bag  
 University of California, Davis, Social Psychology Brown Bag  
 University of Michigan, The Evolution and Human Adaptation Program  
 University of Dayton, Department of Psychology  
 UCLA, Department of Psychology  
 Tulane University, Department of Psychology
- 2022**  
 The University of Pennsylvania, Positive Psychology Center  
 Hamilton College, Department of Psychology

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University of California, Los Angeles, Center for Behavior, Evolution, and Culture

Pacific Lutheran University, Department of Psychology

Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Society (NEEPS), Pittsburgh, PA  
**[Keynote Talk]**

- 2021** Brunel University London, Centre Culture and Evolution Series -  
 Decolonizing psychology: Representing marginalized experiences in the study  
 of culture, human behaviour, and evolution
- California State University, Fullerton, Center for the Study of Human Nature
- 2020** Cognition, Evolution and Behavior Network Amsterdam, Netherlands  
**[Keynote Talk]**
- 2019** Midwestern Psychological Association Conference, Chicago, IL
- 2017** Human Generosity Project's Fitness Interdependence Workshop, Lake  
 Saguardo, AZ

### Selected Conference Papers

- \*Wee, Y., Sznycer, D., & **Krems, J. A.** (2026, May). *Laws about bodily damage originate from shared intuitions about the value of body parts.* Talk presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Rabat, Morocco.
- \*Hong, H., **Krems, J. A.**, & Conroy-Beam, D. (2026, May). *Testing competing models of friendship satisfaction.* Talk presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Rabat, Morocco.
- \*\*Joseff, K. L., \*Rodriguez N., & **Krems, J. A.** (2026, May). *Extended Formidability: An underexplored route to social power and influence for women.* Data presented at the UCLA Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- \*Hahnel-Peeters, R., **Krems, J. A.**, Williams, K. E. G., & Pedersen, E. (2026, April). *Modern damnatio memoriae? Americans censure artwork more when artists are accused of sexual assault than murder.* Paper presented at the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Society (NEEPS) conference, Pittsburgh, PA.
- \*\*Joseff, K. L., \*Rodriguez N., & **Krems, J. A.** (2026, April). *Extended Formidability: An underexplored route to social power and influence for women.* Paper presented at the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Society (NEEPS) conference, Pittsburgh, PA.
- \*Hong, H., **Krems, J. A.**, & Conroy-Beam, D. (2026, February). *Testing competing models of friendship satisfaction.* Talk presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Chicago, IL.
- \*Rodriguez, N. N., & **Krems, J. A.** (2026, February). *How people with less power bargain for better treatment.* Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Chicago, IL.

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- Ayers, J. D., & **Krems, J. A.** (2025, October). *Do we make friends based on their expected functionality?* Talk presented at Fresh Perspectives in Personality & Social Psychology: Early Career Virtual Mini-Conference hosted by the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Virtual conference, online.
- \*Acevedo, E., Pinsof, D., Al-Shawaf, L., & **Krems, J. A.** (2025, June). *The information extraction theory of awe*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Atlantic City, NJ.  
[2025 HBES New Investigator Award Finalist]
- Ayers, J., & **Krems, J. A.** (2025, June). *Do we make friends based on their expected functionality?*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Atlantic City, NJ. [Co-chair of symposium]
- \*Rodriguez N., Sznycer, D., & **Krems, J. A.** (2025, June). *Stereotypes of intrasexual aggression across five nations*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Atlantic City, NJ.
- \*\*Zhu, C., \*Rodriguez N., & **Krems, J. A.** (2025, June). *Examining Stigma toward Individuals without Friends*. Paper presented at the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Society (NEEPS) conference, Atlantic City, NJ.  
[Winner, 2025 Gordon Bear Best Student Talk Award]
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Merrie, L.A., \*Rodriguez, N., & Sznycer, D. (2024, October). *Not all betrayers are equally untrustworthy: Trust inferences reflect our complex social world*. Paper presented at the Society for Experimental Social Psychology conference, Santa Fe, New Mexico. [Chair of symposium]
- Moon, J. W., & **Krems, J. A.** (2024, October). *The role of opposition to abortion in shaping policy preferences: Unveiling hidden reproductive goals*. Paper presented at the Society for Experimental Social Psychology conference, Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- Moon, J. W., & **Krems, J. A.** (2024, May). *The role of opposition to abortion in shaping policy preferences: Unveiling hidden reproductive goals*. Invited paper to be presented in the Postdoctoral Award Session at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Aarhus, Denmark.  
[2024 HBES Postdoctoral Research Award Finalist]
- Pinsof, D., Sznycer, D., & **Krems, J. A.** (2024, May). *All mixed up: An adaptationist theory of humor and laughter*. Paper to be presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Aarhus, Denmark.
- \*Wee, Y., Sznycer, D. & **Krems, J. A.** (2024, May). *A Folk Theory of Human Nature: Laypeople's valuation of body parts is similar within and across cultures and track compensation laws across cultures*. Paper to be presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Aarhus, Denmark.
- Krems, J. A.**, Hess, N., & \*Wee, N. Y. (2024, February). *The Contraposition Effect: Derogating others can enhance one's own reputation*. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA. [Chair of symposium]
- Krems, J. A.**, Hess, N., & \*Wee, N. Y. (2023, October). *The Contraposition Effect: Derogating others can enhance one's own reputation*. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Madison, WI. [Chair of symposium]

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- Moon, J. W., & Krems, J. A. (2023, September). *Beliefs that abortion is murder do not simply track support for harm reduction toward unborn and newly born humans*. Paper presented at the Polish Society for Human and Evolution Studies, Padua, Italy.
- \*Patel, D., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Stout, M., Byrd-Craven, J., & Hawkins, M. A. W. (2023, June). *Parents of children with high weight are viewed as responsible for child weight and thus stigmatized*. Paper presented at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference, Denver, CO.
- Williams, K. E. G., **Krems, J. A.**, Ayers, J. A., & \*Rankin, A. M. (2023, June). *Sex/Gender similarities and differences in friendship preferences*. Paper presented at the European Association for Social Psychology Conference, Krakow, Poland.
- \*Merrie, L. A., & **Krems, J. A.** (2023, May). *What renders another woman a threat? A task analysis of female intrasexual social cognition*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Palm Springs, CA.
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Merrie, L. A., \*Rodriguez, N. N. & Williams, K. E. G. (2022, October). *Why do people vent? Sharing information can be social competition*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Philadelphia, PA. **[Chair of symposium]**
- Sznycer, D., **Krems, J. A.**, & \*Merrie, L. A. (2022, October). *The social psychology of information sharing*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Philadelphia, PA. **[Chair of symposium]**
- \*Cunningham, K., Hill, S. E., **Krems, J. A.** (2022, June). *Perceptions of father-absent women's sociosexual orientation and mating standards*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.
- \*Merrie, L. A., \*Rodriguez, N. N., **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (2022, June). *When and why we trust betrayers*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Merrie, L. A., & Williams, K. E. G. (2022, June). *Social venting as an effective form of friend competition*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.
- \*Rodriguez N., & **Krems, J. A.** (2022, April). *Third-party perceptions of men's and women's status cues*. Paper presented at the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Society (NEEPS), Pittsburgh, PA.
- Krems, J. A.** \*Hahnel-Peeters, R., & \*Merrie, L. A., & Williams, K. E. G. (2021, October). *Target-specific friend preferences: When we want kind, trustworthy, but also vicious friends*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Seattle, WA. **[Chair of symposium]**
- Barlev, M., \*Ko., A., **Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2021, June). *Weight location moderates weight-based self-devaluation and perceived social devaluation in women*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.
- Krems, J. A.** \*Hahnel-Peeters, R., & \*Merrie, L. A. (2021, June). *Target-specific friend preferences: When we want kind, trustworthy, but also vicious friends*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.

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- \*Merrie, L. A., **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (2021, June). *More than shared attitudes: A challenge to traditional theorizing about social bonding*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.
- Krems, J. A.** & \*Merrie, L. A. (2021, May). *The Mariah Effect: A novel, effective means of status competition*. Paper presented at the Association for Psychological Science conference, online.
- Krems, J. A.** (2021, April). *Understanding female status*. Invited Talk in the Brunel University Centre for Cognition Culture and Evolution Series Seminar: “Decolonizing Psychology: Representing marginalized experiences in the study of culture, human behaviour, and evolution,” London, UK.
- Krems, J. A.** & \*Merrie, L. A. (2021, February). *Attending to overlooked aspects of female status enhances our understanding of human status*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference. **[Chair of symposium]**
- \*Bock, J. & **Krems, J. A.** (2021, February). *Explicit and implicit evaluations of mask-wearers during the COVID-19 pandemic*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference, online.
- \*Merrie, A. L. & **Krems, J. A.** (2020, June). *Why do we trust betrayers? Insights from functional approaches to friendship*. Paper submitted to the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Detroit, MI. (Cancelled due to COVID-19.)
- \*Barlev, M., **Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2020, February). *Fat location, beyond fat amount, predicts mental health and well-being in women*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- \*Ko, A., \*Pick, C. M., \*Kwon, J., \*Barlev, M., **Krems, J. A.**, Varnum, M. E. W., ... & Kenrick, D. T. (2020, February). *Family matters: Rethinking the psychology of human social motivation*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference, New Orleans, LA.  
**[Winner, 2020 SPSP Outstanding Research Award]**
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Ko, A., \*Moon, J. M., & Varnum, M. E. W. (2019, October). *Sexually unrestricted women are perceived as having low self-esteem: First evidence for a pervasive, robust (but unfounded) stereotype*. Paper presented at the Society for Experimental Social Psychology Conference, Toronto, Canada. **[Co-chair of symposium]**
- Krems, J. A.**, \*Rankin, A. M., \*Northover, S. B. (2019, May). *Women’s strategic defense against same-sex aggression: Evidence from sartorial behavior*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Boston, MA.
- Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2018, October). *Overturing long-held assumptions about fat stigma: Evidence from cross-ethnic/ societal samples*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Seattle, WA. **[Co-chair of symposium]**

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- Krems, J. A.**, Williams, K. E. G., Kenrick, D. T. & Aktipis, A. (2018, July). *What threatens our friendships? The cause(s) of friendship jealousy*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands. **[Co-chair of symposium]**
- \*Moon, J. W., **Krems, J. A.**, & Cohen, A. B. (2018, July). *Religious people are trusted because they are viewed as slow life-history strategists*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- Krems, J. A.**, & Filip-Crawford, G. (2018, March). *Do women possess heightened defenses against social exclusion? Examining reactions to a novel cue of social exclusion (disgust expressions)*. Data presented at the Gender Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Aktipis, A., Alcock, A., Wilkinson, G., Curry, O. S., Sullivan, D. Balliet, D., Sznycer, D., \*Munoz, A., Winfrey, P., \*Ayers, J., Wasielewski, H., Boddy, A., **Krems, J. A.**, & Cronk, L. (2017, June). *Fitness interdependence and the study of cooperation: Toward a consensus*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Boise, ID.
- Kenrick, D. T., **Krems, J. A.**, Lundberg-Kenrick, D., & \*Airington, Z. (2017, June). *Academy Awards, Pulitzer Prizes, and blockbuster hits: Sex differences and similarities in competitive success*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Boise, ID.
- Krems, J. A.**, Williams, K. E. G., Kenrick, D. T., & Aktipis, A. (2017, June). *Friendship jealousy: A functional emotion for protecting valued cooperative relationships?* Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Boise, ID.
- Williams, K. E. G., **Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2017, January). *Preferences for positional advantages in male and female friendships*. Data presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Krems, J. A.**, Williams, K. E. G., Kenrick, D. T., & Neuberg, S. L. (2016, January). *Economic recession and women's sexual strategies: Women's mating psychology and behavior are responsive to ecological cues*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Diego, CA. **[Co-chair of symposium]**
- Krems, J. A.**, Neel, R., Neuberg, S. L., Puts, D. A., & Kenrick, D. T. (2015, May). *Women selectively and strategically guard their (desirable) mates from ovulating women*. Paper presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Columbia, MO.
- Kenrick, D. T., **Krems, J. A.**, & Neel, R. (2015, February). *What is self-actualization?* Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Long Beach, CA. **[Co-chair of symposium]**
- Krems, J. A.**, Neuberg, S. L., Filip-Crawford, G., & Kenrick, D. T. (2015, February). *Is she angry? (Sexually desirable) Women 'see' anger on same-sex faces*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Long Beach, CA.

### Selected Conference Posters and Data Blitzes

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- \*\*Cao, J., \*\*Shao, R., \*Hong, H., & Krems, J. A.** (2026, May). *Making Friendship a Priority: A Review of Friendship in Academic and Popular Media Sources*. Poster presented at the UCLA Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- \*\*Wang, K., \*Hong, H., & Krems, J. A.** (2026, May). *The Importance of Friendship Quality on Wellbeing and Loneliness*. Poster presented at the UCLA Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- \*\*Wu, E., \*Zankich, V., & Krems, J. A.** (2026, May). *Birds of a Feather: Age-based Friend Preferences in Young Adults*. Poster presented at the UCLA Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- \*Rodriguez, N. N., \*\*Zhu, C., & Krems, J. A.** (2026, February). *People especially stigmatize individuals without friends*. Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at SPSP, Chicago, IL.
- \*Hong, H., & Krems, J. A.** (2025, June). *Testing competing models of friendship satisfaction*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Atlantic City, NJ.
- \*Zankich, V. R., & Krems, J. A.** (2025, June). *What drives friendship jealousy?*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Atlantic City, NJ.
- \*\*Cruz, J., \*Zankich, V. R., & Krems, J. A.** (2025, May). *That's my friend! Examining the influence of reciprocity violations on feelings of jealousy in best friendships*. Poster presented at the UCLA Psi Chi Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- [Winner, Faculty Choice Award for Best Poster]**
- \*\*Cruz, J., \*Zankich, V. R., & Krems, J. A.** (2025, May). *That's my friend! Examining the influence of reciprocity violations on feelings of jealousy in best friendships*. Data presented at the UCLA Psychology Undergraduate Research & Creativity Showcase, Los Angeles, CA.
- \*\*Rodriguez, S., \*Hong, H., & Krems, J. A.** (2025, May). *A need for friendship research: An examination of posters at national psychology conferences*. Poster presented at the UCLA Psychology Undergraduate Research & Creativity Showcase, Los Angeles, CA.
- \*Zankich, V., Robinette, J., Krems, J. A., & Frederick, D.** (2025, February). *Getting by with a little help from our friends: The importance of social support from friends for mental health*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference, Denver, CO.
- \*Morris, M., Krems, J. A., & Neel, R.** (2025, February). *What do we want from our partners, friends, and family? Comparing close relationships across fundamental goals*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference, Denver, CO.
- \*Rodriguez, N. N., Krems, J. A., & Szyner, D.** (2024, February). *Stereotypes of Aggression*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Aarhus, Denmark.

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- \*Reilly, S., **Krems, J. A.**, & Pedersen, E. J. (2024, April). *Emotional Reactions to Best Friends' Decisions: The Influence of Revealed Welfare Tradeoff Ratios and Monetary Allocations*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society conference, Aarhus, Denmark.
- \*Hurwitz, J. & **Krems, J. A.** (2024, April). *Do perceptions of sexual behavior and satisfaction track reality for sexual minorities*. Poster presented at the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Society conference.
- \*Duarte, K., **Krems, J. A.**, & Byrd-Craven, J. (2024, February). *Testing between three accounts of whether—and why—people disfavor competitive women friends*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference, San Diego, CA.
- \*Reilly, S., **Krems, J. A.**, & Pedersen, E. J. (2024, February). *Emotional reactions to best friends' decisions: The influence of revealed Welfare Tradeoff Ratios and Monetary Allocations*. Data blitz presented at the Evolution Psychology Pre-conference at SPSP, San Diego, CA.
- \*Rodriguez, N. N., **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (2024, February). *Stereotypes of Aggression*. Poster presented at the Evolution Psychology Pre-conference at SPSP, San Diego, CA.
- \*Wee, Y. N., Sznycer, D., & Krems, J. A. (2024, February). *A folk theory of human nature: Laypeople's valuation of body parts is similar within and across cultures and tracks compensation laws across cultures*. Poster presented at the Annual Conference of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.
- \*Rodriguez, N. N., **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (2023, May). *What tactics do people use to bargain for better treatment in relationships?* Poster presented at the Evolution Psychology Pre-conference at SPSP, San Diego, CA.
- \*Duarte, K., **Krems, J. A.**, & Byrd-Craven, J. (2023, May). *Testing between three accounts of whether—and why—people disfavor competitive women friends*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Palm Springs, CA.
- \*Rodriguez, N. N., **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (2023, May). *What tactics do people use to bargain for better treatment in relationships?* Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Palm Springs, CA.
- \*Rodriguez N. N., & **Krems, J. A.**, & Sznycer, D. (2023, April). *What tactics do people use to bargain for better treatment in relationships?* Poster presented at the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Society (NEEPS), New Paltz, NY.
- [Winner, Gordon Bear Best Student Poster Award]**
- \*Wee, Y., Sznycer, D., & **Krems, J. A.** (2023, February). *Know thyself: Laypeople's estimates of the value of body parts track the benefits provided by workers' compensation laws of different cultures*. Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at SPSP, Atlanta, GA.
- \*Duarte, K. **Krems, J.A.**, & Byrd-Craven, J. (June, 2022). *How will compliment givers perceive me?* Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.
- \*\*Crosswhite, A., \*Merrie, L. A., & **Krems, J. A.** (June, 2021). *The functional implications of social venting*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.

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- \*\*Gladney, T., \*Merrie, L. A., & Krems, J. A.** (2021, June). *Do women have a secret language of aggression?* Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, online.
- \*\*Crocker, B., \*\*Ziehme, S. \*Merrie, L. A., & Krems, J. A.** (2021, February). *Whom do we trust and why?* Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- \*\*Crosswhite, A., \*\*Lemmons, M., \*Merrie, L. A., & Krems, J. A.** (2021, February). *An intolerance of intolerance? Why people stigmatize Trump voters.* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- \*Cunningham, K., Krems, J. A., & Hill, S. E.** (2021, February). *The impact of father presence/absence of perceptions of women's sexual standards.* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- \*Moon, J. W., Krems, J. A., & Cohen, A. B.** (2021, February). *Is there anything good about atheists? Exploring positive stereotypes about the nonreligious.* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference, San Francisco, CA.
- \*Patel, D., & Krems, J. A.** (2021, February). *The perfect parent: Why are parents of obese children stigmatized?* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- \*Lopez, S. V., Krems, J. A., \*Warner, E. A., \*Dunn, D. S., & Leffingwell, T. R.** (2020, November). *Short-term mating orientation as a predictor of alcohol-related risky sexual behavior among college students.* Poster submitted for the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (Cancelled due to COVID-19.)
- \*Kim, A., Williams, K. E. G., Pedersen, E. J., & Krems, J. A.** (2020, February). *A preregistered study of prosocial behavior with food and non-food resources* Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- \*Bock, J., Krems, J. A.** (2019, May). *A functional affordance-management approach to stigma-by-association: Does stigma transfer depend on type of stigma?* Poster presented at the Social Psychologist Around the Midwest Conference, Lawrence, KS.
- \*Spooner, V., Krems, J. A., & Baraldi, A.** (2019, May). *The optics of fairness: When do we punish friends and forgive the trespasses of enemies?* Poster presented at the FOSSIL Conference, Stillwater, OK.  
**[Winner, FOSSIL Best Graduate Student Poster Award]**
- \*Ayers, J. D., Krems, J. A., Hess, N., & Aktipis, A.** (2019, February). *Intergenerational, same-sex affines' relationships have higher conflict than other relationships.* Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Portland, OR.
- \*Ayers, J. D., Krems, J. A., & Aktipis, A.** (2019, February). *Are there rules of friendship? How men and women make their 'perfect friend.'* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Portland, OR.

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- \*Ayers, J. D., **Krems, J. A.**, & Aktipis, A. (2018, April). *The rules of friendship*. Poster presented at the Institute for Social Science Research Poster Contest, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.  
**[Runner-up, ISSR Best Poster Award]**
- \*Ayers, J. D., **Krems, J. A.**, & Aktipis, A. (2018, March). *Do friendships end if they have less interdependence?* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- \*Moon, J. W., **Krems, J. A.**, & Cohen, A. B. (2018, March). *Religious claims lead to (slow) life history inferences*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Atlanta, GA.  
**[2018 SPSP Student Poster Award Finalist]**
- \*Ayers, J. D., **Krems, J. A.**, & Aktipis, A. (2017, November). *Why do friendships end? Investigating features of same-sex friendship dissolution*. Poster presented at the Institute for Social Science Research Poster Contest, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.  
**[Runner-up, ISSR Best Poster Award]**
- \*Ayers, J. D., **Krems, J. A.**, & Aktipis, A. (2017, June). *Why do friendships end? Investigating features of same-sex friendship dissolution*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Boise, ID.
- \*Ayers, J. D., **Krems, J. A.**, \*Munoz, A., Sznycer, D., & Aktipis, A. (2017, January). *Are there sex differences in friendship dissolution?* Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Williams, K. E. G., **Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2016, July). *Life history theory and endorsement of child support policies*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, Vancouver, Canada.
- Dunbar, R. I. M., **Krems, J. A.**, & Neuberg, S. L. (2014, May). *Something to talk about: Conversation size is constrained by mental modeling abilities*. Poster presented at the Association for Psychological Science Convention, San Francisco, CA.
- Krems, J. A.**, Curry, O. S., Dunbar, R. I. M., & Johnson, D. D. P. (2013, July). *Squaring off: Lanchester's laws of combat and human cognition*. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Conference, Miami, FL.

## SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

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*Washington Post*. (forthcoming, 2026).

*Vox*. (forthcoming, 2026).

*Evolutionary Psychology: The Podcast*. (TDB 2026). Interview on friendship.

*SELF* (February 23, 2026). Why you should ask your friends for a performance review.

*Scientific American* (February 14, 2026). How often do people fall passionately in love? The answer may be less than you think.

*Boston Globe*. (February 11, 2026). Third wheels are the best wheels.

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*UCLA Magazine*. (February 10, 2026). The Science of Connection.  
*El Nacional* (newspaper of record in Venezuela). (February 3, 2026). ¿Cómo hacen nuevos amigos los adultos?  
 Esto dicen los expertos.  
*The New York Times*. (January 27, 2026). The friendship advice experts swear by.  
*The Atlantic*. (January 8, 2026). The common friendship behavior that has become strangely fraught.  
*The Atlantic*. (January 7, 2026). The friend group fallacy.  
*NPR's Here and Now*. (January 2, 2026).  
*Vogue (UK)*. (December 6, 2025). Why Do I Feel So Blue After Socialising?  
*Vox*. (November 12, 2025). You should be having more slumber parties with your friends.  
*Bryn Mawr College Magazine*. (November 2025). Thank you for being a friend.  
*NPR KQED's Forum, San Francisco*. (October 16, 2025). Interview on friendship  
*Kinfolk Magazine*. (September 2025). Interview on friendship.  
*UCLA Magazine*. (September 1, 2025). Did we just become best friends?  
*UCLA College YouTube*. (September 2025). Jaimie Krems and four undergraduates on friendship.  
*Evolutionary Psychology: The Podcast*. (July 2025). Interview on friendship.  
*Vox*. (June 11, 2025). The surprising way romance may affect your friendships.  
*National Journal*. (May 13, 2025). Computers as friends? How chatbots fill a void, pose a risk.  
*The New York Times*. (May 9, 2025). 25 questions to bring you closer to your mom.  
*Vox*. (May 7, 2025). The secret to actually trusting each other.  
*NPR*. (March 2025). Academic Minute piece on \*Wee et al., 2025.  
*Vox*. (December 2, 2024). Can men and women still be friends?  
*The Atlantic*. (October 25, 2024). Americans are hoarding their friends.  
*Slate*. (September 26, 2024). Keep 'em separated.  
*SPSP Psychology News Roundup*. (August 23, 2024). Venting can make your friends like you better—if you do it right.  
*Daily Mail* (August 15, 2024). Bitching is good for you.  
*Daily Bruin*. (May 23, 2024). Interviewed on technology and social relationships.  
*LA Times* (April 30, 2024). Can straight married men and women be friends?  
*ABC Australia's Science Show with David B. Moore*. (April 13, 2024). Guest interview on friendship (with physicist Brian Greene, primatologist Frans De Waal).  
*Daily Bruin*. (December, 7, 2023). Interviewed on the importance of social relationships.  
*Vox*. (November 17, 2023). Why do we keep tabs on people we can't stand?  
*Daily Bruin*. (October 20, 2023). Interviewed on stigma and (para)social relationships.  
*Chris Williamson's Modern Wisdom Podcast*. (November 17, 2022). Interviewed on stigma and (para)social relationships.  
*The New York Times*. (March 15, 2022). How do you react when your friendships change?  
*The New York Times*. (March 4, 2022). Jealousy doesn't have to ruin a friendship.  
*The Independent*. (March 20, 2022). Don't let jealousy ruin a friendship.  
*Research on Tap at OSU*. (February 21, 2022). Friendship.  
*Modern Psykologi (Sweden)*. (December, 2021). Interview on friendship jealousy.  
*Association for Psychological Science*. (June 8, 2021). Persistent stereotypes falsely link women's self-esteem to their sex lives. **[Received research spotlight, APS]**  
*Channel Q* (the largest nationally-syndicated LGBTQ+ talk radio network). (May 27, 2021). Interview on stereotypes about women who have casual sex.  
*KJZZ's The Show with Lauren Gilger (NPR)*. (September, 2020). Friendship Jealousy.  
*APS Observer*. (August, 22, 2019). Mastering motivation.

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- La Informacion*. (November 11, 2017). ¿Por qué nos volvemos locos en las cenas de empresa y Navidad? El cerebro tiene la culpa
- Scientific American*. (May, 1, 2017). With a little help from my friends.
- Discover Magazine*. (January, 26, 2016). Study finds women try to hide their hot men from other (fertile) women.
- The London Times*. (January, 20, 2016). Why women keep their partners away from fertile friends.
- The Boston Globe*. (January, 31, 2016). Too hot to handle.
- New York Magazine*. (January 15, 2016). Hey, ovulating women: Stay away from my man.
- Esquire Magazine Russia*. (January, 2016). Женщины инстинктивно защищают своих сексуальных партнеров от других женщин, у которых наступил период овуляции. (Women instinctively protect their sexual partners from other women who are ovulating).
- Esquire Magazine UK*. (January, 2016). Your girlfriend subconsciously guards you from other ovulating women.
- The Boston Globe*. (November 13, 2015). Seeing anger.
- New Scientist*. (April, 2014). With profits of the mind: Shakespeare's appeal lies in an intuitive understanding of how our brains work.

### **Authored or Co-authored Science Communication**

- SPSP Context & Character Blog*. (July 4, 2025). Are people who oppose abortion simply concerned about saving lives? (Coauthored with Jordan W. Moon)
- The Conversation*. (January 10, 2024). An eye for an eye: People agree about the values of body parts across cultures and eras. (\*Yunsuh Nike Wee, Daniel Sznycer, & Jaimie Krems)
- The Conversation*. (January 26, 2023). People blame and judge parents for children's heavier weights. (Jaimie Krems & \*Devanshi Patel)
- The Conversation*. (July 19, 2022). What really drives anti-abortion beliefs? Research suggests it's a matter of sexual strategies. (Jaimie Krems & Martie Haselton)
- SPSP Context & Character Blog*. (November, 2021). As seen on TV? What Americans really think about women who have casual sex.
- SPSP Context & Character Blog*. (May, 2021). How does body shape influence fat stigma toward women?
- The Conversation*. (May, 2021). Americans (incorrectly) think women who have casual sex have low self-worth.
- The Conversation*. (March, 2020). How women dress for other women.
- The Conversation*. (December, 2019). Why people distrust atheists. (Coauthored with \*Jordan W. Moon)
- Bang! Magazine (The University of Oxford's Science Magazine)*. (May, 2012). Facing the facts: The truth about social networks.
- Bang! Magazine*. (May, 2012). Emotional Logic: Is it an oxymoron?
- Bang! Blog*. (April, 2012) Fear and learning in Los Angeles: Our evolved propensity for knowing what could eat us alive.

## **TEACHING & MENTORING**

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### **Courses Taught**

- Introduction to Social Psychology (UCLA)
- Topics in Social Psychology - Graduate Research Methods (UCLA)
- Friendship (UCLA)
- Social Psychology (OSU)
- Advanced Social Psychology (OSU)
- Topics in Social Psychology - Graduate (OSU)

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### Teaching & Mentorship Recognition

Distinguished Teaching Award (nomination), Oklahoma State University (2021)  
 Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award (nomination), Arts and Sciences Student Council, Oklahoma State University (2021)  
 Faculty Women's Council Rising Star Award (nomination), Oklahoma State University (2019, 2020)  
 Graduate and Professional Student Association Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Mentor (nomination), Arizona State University (2017, 2015)

### Selected Student Awards

Nina Rodriguez - Norma and Seymour Feshbach Doctoral Dissertation Award  
 Chloe Zhu (Undergraduate) – Best Student Presentation, Northeastern Evolutionary Psychological Sociality (NEEPS) Conference (2025)  
 Jaime Cruz (Undergraduate) – Faculty Choice Award for Best Poster, Psi Chi Research Conference, UCLA (2025)  
 Maci Christianson – Dean's Scholar Award (\$8,500), UCLA (2025)  
 Maci Christianson – Psychology Department Board of Advisors Graduate Scholar (\$31,000), UCLA (2025)  
 Elias Acevedo – Graduate Research Mentorship Program Award (\$6,000), UCLA (2025)  
 Elias Acevedo – Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program Award (\$30,000), UCLA (2025)  
 Hyewon Hong – Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program Award (\$6,000), UCLA (2025)  
 Elias Acevedo – Eugene V. Cota-Robles Award (\$30,000+ stipend yearly), UCLA (2024)  
 Vanessa Zankich – Eugene V. Cota-Robles Award (\$30,000+ stipend yearly), UCLA (2024)  
 Nina Rodriguez – Clara Leplin & Beatrice Rasof Award (study of significant social issues), UCLA (2024)  
 Nina Rodriguez – Gordon Bear Best Student Poster Award, Northeastern Evolutionary Psychology Society (NEEPS) (2023)  
 Devanshi Patel - Robberson Dissertation Award, Psychology Department and College of Arts & Sciences, Oklahoma State University (2023)  
 Devanshi Patel - Women's Faculty Council Research Award, Oklahoma State University (2023)  
 Laureon Merrie - Technology Award, College of Arts & Sciences, Oklahoma State University (2023)  
 Nina Rodriguez - Vennerberg-Wells Summer Scholarship, Oklahoma State University (2022)  
 Laureon Merrie - Technology Award, College of Arts & Sciences, Oklahoma State University (2021)  
 Jarrod Bock - Robberson Dissertation Award, Psychology Department and College of Arts & Sciences, Oklahoma State University (2020)

## MEMBERSHIPS AND SELECTED SERVICE

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### Memberships

Fellow (Elected 2023), Society for Experimental Social Psychology (SESP)  
 Society of Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)  
 Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES)

### Departmental and \*University Service

Review Committee, Shelley Taylor Dissertation Award, Department of Psychology, UCLA (2025)  
 Chair, Open-rank Social Influence Faculty Job Search, UCLA (2024-5)  
 Graduate Awards Committee, UCLA (2025)  
 Organizer, Social Area Brown Bag, UCLA (Fall 2024, Fall 2026)  
 Chair, Social Area Admissions, UCLA (2024-5. 2025-6)

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TA/Fellowship Committee (Social Area Representative), UCLA (2024-5, 2025-6)  
 Executive Committee (Social Area Representative), UCLA (2024-5, 2025-6)  
 Faculty Executive Committee (Psychology Representative), UCLA (2024 – present)\*  
 Review Committee, Shelley Taylor Dissertation Award, Department of Psychology, UCLA (2024)  
 Psychology Major Committee, UCLA (2023 – 2024)  
 Teaching Excellence Committee, UCLA (2023 – 2024)  
 Panelist, Psychology Research Opportunity Programs (PROPS), UCLA (2024)  
 Review Committee, Graduate Student Research and Mentorship (GSRM) Program, UCLA (2024)\*  
 Guest Lecture on Friendship and Women’s Relationships, Public Health Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health (COMM HLT 20), UCLA (2023)  
 Panelist, On the Job Market, Oklahoma State University (2023)  
 Panelist, Acing the Interview Workshop, UCLA (2023)  
 Mentor/Speaker, Psychology House (on friendship), Oklahoma State University (2023)  
 Creator and Supervisor, The Experimental Area Meet-up (TEAM), Oklahoma State University (2019 – 2024)  
 Diversity Committee, Department of Psychology, Oklahoma State University (2020 [its inception] – 2022)  
 Operations Committee, Department of Psychology, Oklahoma State University (2019 – 2023)  
 Co-creator + co-organizer, The Oklahoma Center for Evolutionary Analysis (OCEAN), Oklahoma State University (2019 – present)  
 Co-creator + co-organizer, The OCEAN Speaker Series, Oklahoma State University (2019 – 2023)  
 Webmaster and social media manager, The Oklahoma Center for Evolutionary Analysis (OCEAN), Oklahoma State University (2019 – present)  
 Social Psychology Job Search Committee, Oklahoma State University (2019 – 2020)

### Service to the Field

Scientific Committee (for conference planning), HBES (2025-2026)  
 Review Committee, Oakland University Research Committee Faculty Fellowship Application (2025)  
 HBES Committee work: Future of HBES Committee; Financial + Fundraising Committee  
 Award Committee, HBES Rising Star Award (2025)  
 Award Committee, HBES Rising Star Award (2024)  
 Mentor, Early Career Scientists at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) – table on Establishing a Healthy, Productive Lab Culture (2024)  
 Mentor, Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES): Women in Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences (WEBS) Mentorship event (2021, 2023); HBES Mentor Lunch (2023)  
 Award Committee, HBES Fellows (2023)  
 Creator and co-organizer, in-development Advancing Diversity with Anthropological and Psychological Research (ADAPT) Program, HBES (2022 – present)  
 Webmaster, HBES (2022 – 2023)  
 Executive Council Member-at-large, HBES (2021– 2027)  
 Grievance Committee (Member + Chair), HBES (2018 – present)  
 Conference Program Committee, HBES (2021 Virtual Conference)  
 Conference Program Committee, HBES Conference (2020 Conference, Palm Springs [Canceled due to COVID-19])  
 Co-creator + co-organizer, The Flyover State Scientists Integrating Evolution (FOSSIL) Conference, Oklahoma State University (2019)  
 Co-organizer, Evolutionary Psychology Preconference at SPSP (the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference) (2018 – 2021)

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## Editorial Service

Open Science Advisor, *Psychological Science* (2022 – 2025)  
 Consulting Editor, *Human Nature* (2023 – present)

## Selected ad hoc grant, manuscript, and conference review:

<i>Nature</i>	<i>Psychological Science</i>
<i>Psychological Review</i>	<i>Journal of Personality and Social Psychology</i>
<i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences</i>	<i>Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B</i>
<i>Personality and Social Psychology Review</i>	<i>British Journal of Social Psychology</i>
<i>Perspectives on Psychological Science</i>	<i>Evolution and Human Behavior</i>
<i>Trends in Cognitive Sciences</i>	<i>Archives of Sexual Behavior</i>
<i>Emotion</i>	<i>Social Psychology and Personality Science</i>
PLOS ONE	<i>Journal of Experimental Social Psychology</i>
<i>Adaptive Human Behavior and Physiology</i>	<i>Personality and Individual Differences</i>
<i>Current Directions in Psychological Science</i>	<i>Journal of Social and Personal Relationships</i>
<i>Psychological Inquiry</i>	<i>Psychological Inquiry</i>
<i>Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin</i>	
<i>Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences</i>	

National Science Foundation

Psychological Science Accelerator

Society for Personality and Social Psychology Student Awards

Society for Personality and Social Psychology Outstanding Research Award

Society for Personality and Social Psychology Culture Pre-Conference

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