

Brooke C. Spatta

Contact Information

Office Address

Psychology Department
Presbyterian College
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Education

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida

Ph.D. in Developmental Psychology (May 2006).

Doctoral dissertation: Attachment and Adjustment in Preadolescence.

Advisor: David G. Perry, Ph.D.

M.A. in Psychology specializing in Developmental Psychology (December 2004)

Masters thesis: Does perceived parenting affect children's attachment styles in middle childhood?

Advisor: David G. Perry, Ph.D.

B.A. (Cum Laude) in Psychology (August 1999)

Minor: Sociology

Teaching Experience

Presbyterian College – Department of Psychology

Assistant Professor: Fall 2007-Fall 2011; Associate Professor: Spring 2012-present

- Child Psychology
- Adolescent Psychology
- Psychology of Adulthood and Aging
- Lifespan Development
- Educational Psychology
- Gender Role Development
- Internship Advisor
- Honors Research
- Independent (non-Honors) Research
- Capstone Advisor

Lynn University – Department of Psychology

Assistant Professor: Fall 2006-Spring 2007

- Introduction to Psychology
- Developmental Psychology
- Experimental Psychology

- Principles of Learning
- Tests and Measures
- Research and Statistics
- Seminar in Attachment
- Graduate seminar in Developmental Psychology

Florida Atlantic University – Department of Psychology

Instructor: Spring 2006

- Social psychology

Pope John Paul the II High School, Boca Raton, Florida

Instructor: Spring 2006

- General Psychology (four sections of a senior level course)

Florida Atlantic University – Department of Psychology

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Fall 2001-Fall 2005

- Research Methods in Psychology: Fall 2001, Fall 2002
- Intermediate Statistics Laboratory: Spring 2002
- Research in Social Development: Spring 2002 – Spring 2005
- General Psychology: Summer 2005, Fall 2005
- Abnormal Psychology: Summer 2002

Supervisory/Mentorship Experience

Presbyterian College

Honors Research

- Goldman, Britnee (2014). Four Years of Champs Data: How Has the First Cohort Changed Over Time?
- Leahy, Lucia (2013). Peer Group Behaviors and Global Self-Worth: Investigating Adolescent's Global Self-Worth, Internalizing Behaviors, and Externalizing Behaviors
- Bumgarner, Sarah (2012). Links Between Parenting Style and Internalizing and Externalizing Problems in Adolescents.
- Brandel, Drew (2011). The effects of peer-reported gender typing on academic performance.
- Fisher, Scott (2008). Attachment and self-esteem in preadolescence.
- Wilkerson, Megan (2008). Parental attachment and peer adjustment during preadolescence.

Independent Research (non-Honors)

- Mitchell, J.B. (2014). Four Years of Champs Data: How Has the First Cohort Changed Over Time?

PC Summer Fellows

- Goldman, B. & Mitchell, J.B. (2014). *A Longitudinal Study of Self-Concept in CHAMPS Students.*
- Leahy, L. & Smith, S. (2013). *Is perceived athletic competence beneficial to adolescents?*

- Brandel, D. S., & Bumgarner, S. (2012). *Parenting style, internalizing and externalizing problems and academic performance in adolescents.*
- Brandel, D. S. (2011). Global Self Worth and academic performance in Adolescents.
- Calandra, K. (2011). Attachment and self-perceived peer social competence during adolescence.

Florida Atlantic University

Graduate Research Assistant/Social Development Laboratory Supervisor

- Coordination of large-scale, federally-funded research project entitled “Social Development in Children,” Fall 2001 – Summer 2002.
- Assistantship funding provided by 5-year \$1.1 million NIH grant to Dr. David G. Perry, August 2002 to 2006.
Duties included:
- Coordination of third wave of large-scale, federally-funded longitudinal research project entitled: “Social Development in Children,” Fall 2002 to Fall 2006.
- Supervision and research training of 25-30 undergraduate research assistants per semester
- Contributions to scale development and selection
- Supervision of data collection across several elementary and middle schools
- Concurrent and longitudinal database creation and analyses using SPSS
- Analyses of multiple databases using multiple regression and follow-up procedures by Aiken and West (1991)

Development: Workshops/conferences

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Service

Presbyterian College:

Committees

- IRB co-chair Summer 2011 to present
- ZTA sorority faculty advisor Fall 2010 to present
- Student Life Council Fall 2010 to present
- Academic Affairs Committee Fall 2010 to Spring 2010
 - Curriculum committee
- Child Development Center Committee Spring 2010 to present
- Assessment Committee Spring 2010 to present
- Personnel Committee Spring 2010 to present
- Master Plan Committee # 5 Fall 2009 to present
- Family Leave Committee Fall 2009 to Fall 2010
- Student Union Board faculty advisor Fall 2009
 - Psi Chi faculty advisor Spring 2009 to present
 - Honor Council 2008 to present

Departmental service

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Admissions service

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Institutional Assessment

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Community

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Florida Atlantic University:

- Chosen as a member of the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science Graduate Student Advisory Committee, Spring 2005.
- Chosen as the student representative for the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science to serve on the TIP teaching award committee, Spring 2002.

Professional and Honor Societies

American Psychological Association (APA)
 Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)
 Society for the Teaching of Psychology
 Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
 Golden Key National Honor Society
 National Society of Collegiate Scholars
 Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
 Psi Chi

Honors and Awards

Third place in university-wide FAU Graduate Research Symposium, Spring 2005
 Jack Walker Memorial Award for Graduate Research in Psychology recipient, Fall 2004
 Cum Laude, Florida Atlantic University, 2000
 Dean's List, Florida Atlantic University, 1998-2000
 President's List, Broward Community College, 1996-1998
 Florida Academic Scholarship recipient, 1996

Grants

Faculty Development Funds: Research Grant (\$2,500) and Sabbatical Grant (\$1000)
 Faculty Development Funds for Conference/Workshop travel: 2010,

Publications

- Menon, M., Menon, M., Cooper, P. J., Pauletti, R. E., Tobin, D. D., **Spatta, B. C.**, Hafen, C. A., Peets, K., Hodges, E. V. E., Perry, D. G. (2015). Do securely and insecurely attached children derive well-being from different forms of gender identity? In press, *Social Development*.
- Cooper, P. J., Pauletti, R. E., Tobin, D. D., Menon, M., Menon, M., Spatta, B. C., Hodges, E. V. E., & Perry, D. G. (2013). Mother-Child Attachment and Gender Identity in Preadolescence. *Sex Roles*, 69, 618-631.
- Tobin, D. D., Menon, M., Menon, M., **Spatta, B. C.**, Hodges, E. V. E., & Perry, D. G. (2010). The Intrapyschics of gender: A model of self-socialization. *Psychological Review*, 117, 601-622.
- Menon, M., Tobin, D.D., **Corby, B. C.**, Menon, M., Hodges, E.V.E., & Perry, D. G. (2007). The developmental costs of high self-esteem for antisocial children. *Child Development*, 78, 1627-1639.
- Corby, B. C.**, Hodges, E.V.E., Perry, D. G. (2007). Gender identity and adjustment in Black, Hispanic, and White preadolescents. *Developmental Psychology*, 43(1), 261-266.
- Yunger, J. L., **Corby, B. C.**, & Perry, D. G (2005). Dimensions of attachment in middle childhood. In K. A. Kerns & R. A. Richardson (Eds.), Attachment in Middle Childhood (pp 89-114) New York: Guilford.

Presentations

- Menon, M., Tobin, D. D., Menon, M., **Spatta, B. C.**, & Perry, D. G. (2010). Does gender identity encourage self-perceived gender typing? Paper presented at Gender Development Research Conference: San Francisco, CA.
- Menon, M. M., **Spatta, B. C.**, Tobin, D. D. Menon, M., & Perry, D. G. (2009, August). Categories of insecure attachment in middle childhood. Poster presented at the European Conference on Developmental Psychology, Vilnius, Lithuania.
- Menon, M., Tobin, D. D., **Spatta, B. C.**, Menon, M., Hodges, E. V. E., & Perry, D. G. (2009, April). Does high self-esteem encourage antisocial behavior. In S. Thomaes (Chair), *Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, Who's the Most Aggressive of Them All: On Maladaptive Favorable Self-Regard and Youth Aggression*. Pecha Kucha Symposium conducted at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Conference, Denver, Colorado.

- Menon, M., Tobin, D. D., **Corby, B. C.**, Menon, M., Hodges, E. V. E., & Perry, D. G. (2008, July). The developmental costs of high self-esteem for antisocial children. In B. J. Bushman & S. Thomaes (Chairs), *Developmental perspectives on the link between self-views and aggression*. Symposium conducted at the XVII World Meeting of the International Society for Research on Aggression, Budapest, Hungary.
- Menon, M., Menon, M., Tobin, D. D., **Corby, B. C.**, & Perry, D.G. (2006, June). Parental rejection and insecure attachment: Untangling the direction of influence. Poster presented at the First International Congress on Interpersonal Acceptance and Rejection, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Tobin, D. D., Menon, M., Menon, M., **Corby, B. C.**, & Perry, D.G. (2006, April). Social-cognitive correlates of gender identity. Poster presented at the Second Gender Development Research Conference, San Francisco, California.
- Corby, B. C.**, Cusimano, A. M., Kabbas, D. R., Menon, M., Tobin, D. D., Hodges, E. V. E., & Perry, D. G. (2005). Adjustment correlates of gender identity in three ethnic groups. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Corby, B. C.**, Cusimano, A., Kabbas, D., Menon, M., & Perry, D.G. (2004, April). Links between gender identity and adjustment in three ethnic groups. Poster presented at the First Gender Development Research Conference, San Francisco, California.
- Yunger, J. L., **Corby, B. C.**, & Vagi, K. (2003). Gender identity and victimization by peers. In N. Card and A. Nishina (Chairs), *“Whipping boys” and other victims of peer aggression: Twenty-five years of research, now where do we go?* Poster symposium presented at the Biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, Florida.
- Yunger, J. L., Vagi, K., **Corby, B. C.**, & Perry, D. G. (2003). Gender identity moderates the impact of peer victimization on adjustment. In B. Kochenderfer-Ladd (Chair), *Mediators and moderators of the effects of peer victimization on children’s adjustment*. Poster symposium presented at the Biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, Florida.
- Yunger, J. L., Vagi, K., **Corby, B. C.**, & Perry, D. G. (2003). Perceived parental behaviors and insecure attachment in preadolescence predict aggression and victimization in the peer group. Poster symposium presented at the Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- Carver, P. R., Yunger, J. L., Vagi, K., **Corby, B. C.**, & Perry, D. G. (2002). A new look at gender identity: Predicting change in adjustment over time from three components of gender identity. Poster presented at the Ninth Biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Selected Student Presentations
Papers, Advisor: Brooke Spatta

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Posters, Advisor: Brooke Spatta

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Academic References

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