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EDUCATION

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Ph.D. Psychology, 2018
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Brown University, Providence, RI

M.A. Philosophy, 2013

B.A. Cognitive Science, 2013

MANUSCRIPTS, BOOK CHAPTERS, & CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Bear, A., Bensinger, S., Jara-Ettinger, J., & Knobe, J. (in press). What Comes to Mind? A Mix of What's Likely and What's Good. *Proceedings of the Fortieth Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

Bear, A. & Rand, D. G. (2018). Can strategic ignorance explain the evolution of love? *Topics in Cognitive Science*.

Bear, A., Fortgang, R. G., Bronstein, M. V., & Cannon, T. D. (2017). Mistiming of thought and perception predicts delusionality. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 114, 10791–10796.

Bear, A. & Rand, D. G. (2017). The value of information. *Nature Human Behaviour (News & Views)*, 1.

Rand, D. G., Tomlin, D., **Bear, A.**, Ludvig, E. A., & Cohen, J. D. (2017). Cyclical population dynamics of automatic versus controlled processing: An evolutionary pendulum. *Psychological Review*, 124, 626–642.

Bear, A. & Knobe, J. (2017). Normality: Part descriptive, part prescriptive. *Cognition*, 167, 25–37.

Bear, A., Kagan, A., & Rand, D. G. (2017). Co-evolution of cooperation and cognition: the impact of imperfect deliberation and context-sensitive intuition. *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, 284, 1–9.

Bear, A. & Rand, D. G. (2016). Commentary: Modeling intuition's origins. *Journal of Applied Research in Memory & Cognition*, 5, 341–344.

Bear, A. & Bloom, P. (2016). A simple task uncovers a postdictive illusion of choice. *Psychological Science*, 27, 914–922.

Ward, E. J., **Bear, A.**, & Scholl, B. J. (2016). Can you perceive ensembles without perceiving individuals?: The role of statistical perception in determining whether awareness overflows access. *Cognition*, 152, 78–86.

Bear, A. & Rand, D. G. (2016). Intuition, deliberation, and the evolution of cooperation. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 113, 936–941.

Bear, A. & Knobe, J. (2016). What do people find incompatible with determinism? *Cognitive Science*, 40, 2025–2049.

Bear, A. & Knobe, J. (2015). Folk judgments of normality: Part statistical, part evaluative. In *Proceedings of the Thirty-Seventh Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

Bear, A. & Bloom, P. (forthcoming). Born free? Children's intuitions about choice. In M. Griffith, K. Timpe, & N. Levy (Eds.), *Routledge Companion to Free Will*.

POPULAR PRESS ARTICLES

Bear, A., Fortgang, R. G., & Bronstein, M. V. (2017). You think you're clairvoyant, but your brain is just tricking you. *Washington Post*.

Bear, A. & Knobe, J. (2017). The normalization trap. *New York Times*.

Bear, A. (2016). What neuroscience says about free will. *Scientific American*.

Bear, A. & Rand, D. G. (2015). Creating habits of virtue. *BSPA Policyshop Blog*.

Bear, A. (2015). What do people find incompatible with causal determinism? *SPSP Character & Context Blog*.

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

What's Normal? *The Atlantic*.

Researchers find a fine time-line between delusion and reality. *Yale News*.

The powerful way that 'normalisation' shapes our world. *BBC*.

Selfishness Is Learned. *Nautilus*.

How Trump Went Mainstream (and You Can Too!). *Time Magazine*.

Why some people are jerks. *Matt Townsend Show*.

You may have already decided to read this article. *Yale News*.

Research on Decisions Shows Instinct Makes Us Behave Like Cyborgs, Not Robots. *Inverse*.

We are zombies rewriting our mental history to feel in control. *New Scientist*.

Yale psychologists have built a mathematical model for selfishness. *Quartz*.

Do the math: Why some people are jerks yet others are even nice to strangers. *Yale News*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

Bear, A. (2017). Illusory reversals of thought and perception. Talk presented to Dartmouth College, Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences, Hanover, NH.

Bear, A. (2017). Illusory reversals of thought and perception. Talk presented to Johns Hopkins Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences, Baltimore, MD.

Bear, A. & Rand, D. (2016). Intuition, deliberation, and the evolution of cooperation. Talk presented to Boston Area Moral Cognition Group ("BAM"), Cambridge, MA

Ward, E. J., **Bear, A.** & Scholl, B. J. (2016). Can you perceive ensembles without perceiving individuals?: The role of statistical perception in determining whether awareness overflows access. Talk presented at the 42nd Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Austin, TX

Bear, A. & Rand, D. (2016). Intuition, deliberation, and the evolution of cooperation. Symposium talk presented at the 17th Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA

Bear, A. & Knobe, J. (2016). Folk judgments of normality: Part statistical, part evaluative. Poster presented at the 17th Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA

Bear, A. & Bloom, P. (2015). What circle did you choose? A simple task uncovers a postdictive illusion of choice. Talk presented at the 41st Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Durham, NC (**Winner of the William James Prize*)

Bear, A. & Knobe, J. (2015). Folk judgments of normality: Part statistical, part evaluative. Poster presented at the 41st Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Durham, NC

Bear, A. & Rand, D. (2015). An evolutionary model of dual-process morality. Talk presented at Yale Day of Cognitive Science, New Haven, CT

Bear, A. & Rand, D. (2015). An evolutionary model of dual-process morality. Poster presented at the 16th Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, CA

Bear, A. & Knobe, J. (2014). What do people find incompatible with causal determinism? Poster presented at the 40th Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Vancouver, BC

HONORS & AWARDS

2015 **William James Prize** for best graduate student paper at the Society for Philosophy and Psychology

2013 **Phi Beta Kappa** (Rhode Island Alpha chapter)

2012 **Undergraduate Teaching & Research Award**

2012 **C.J. Ducasse Prize** "for excellence in metaphysics and related subjects"

2011 **C.J. Ducasse Prize** "for very good work in the history of metaphysics and related subjects"

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Summer 2017 **Teaching Fellow for Computational Cognitive Science Workshop**

Professors F. Cushman & S. Gershman, Department of Psychology, Harvard University

Fall 2015 **Head Teaching Fellow for PSYC 110: Introduction to Psychology**
Professor Paul Bloom, Department of Psychology, Yale University

Spring 2015 **Teaching Fellow for PSYC 320/520: Computational Modeling of Social Interaction**
Professor David Rand, Department of Psychology, Yale University

Fall 2014 **Teaching Fellow for CGSC 110: Introduction to Cognitive Science**
Professor Brian Scholl, Department of Psychology, Yale University

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ad hoc reviewer: *PNAS*, *Psychological Science*, *Proceedings B*, *Cognition*, *Cognitive Science*, *Topics in Cognitive Science*, *Journal of Theoretical Biology*, *American Naturalist*, *PLOS ONE*, *Journal of Economic Psychology*, *Philosophical Psychology*, *Review of Philosophy & Psychology*, *Neuroethics*