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Faculty Positions

2014 Associate Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology
2011-2014 Associate Professor, University of Pittsburgh
2005-2014 Training Faculty, Center for Neuroscience, University of Pittsburgh
2004-2014 Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition, University of Pittsburgh
2004-2014 Research Scientist, Learning Research Development Center, University of Pittsburgh
2004-2011 Assistant Professor, University of Pittsburgh

Academic Training

2002-2004 Postdoctoral Fellow, Washington University School of Medicine, Radiology
1996-2002 Ph.D., Psychology, Washington University, December 2002
Thesis: Neural Correlates of Remembering
1986-1990 B.A., Psychology, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Professional Memberships

2010- Association for Psychological Science
2010- Memory Disorders Research Society
2006- American Association for the Advancement of Science
2001- Society for Neuroscience
1999- Cognitive Neuroscience Society

Professional Service

2014 Member, Industrial/Organizational Search Committee
2011-2012 Chair, Cognitive Program in Psychology
2011-2012 Member, Psychology Executive Committee
2011-2012 Member, Psychology Graduate Committee
2011 Member, Cognitive Search Committee
2011-2012 Chair, Graduate Student Admissions Committee, Cognitive Program
2011 Co-chair, CNBC Retreat Organizing Committee
2008-2013 fMRI Modality Instructor, Multimodal Neuroimaging Training Program (NIH)
Six Week Summer Workshop
2008-2009 Pilot Imaging Committee, Magnetic Resonance Research Center

2007 Chair, Slide Session, Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting
2006–2011 Advisory Committee, Magnetic Resonance Research Center
2006–2008 Colloquium Committee, Department of Psychology
2005–2007 Member, Behavioral Genetics Search Committee
2005–2007 Member, Brain Imaging Research Center Users Committee
2005–2009 Education Committee, Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition
2005–2013 Member, Executive Committee, Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition
2004–2008 Internal Review Board, Scientific Review Committee (Chair, Fall 2006)
2004–2008 Graduate Student Admissions Committee, Cognitive Program

Fellowships

2009 Writing in the Disciplines Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh
2001 Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience Fellowship, Dartmouth College

Reviews

Ad-Hoc Journal Reviewer

Brain & Cognition, Brain Research, Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology, Cerebral Cortex, Cognitive, Affective, and Behavioral Neuroscience, Consciousness and Cognition, Cortex, European Journal of Cognitive Psychology, Current Directions in Psychological Science, Experimental Brain Research, Human Brain Mapping, Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience, Journal of Experimental Psychology LMC, Journal of Neurophysiology, The Journal of Neuroscience, Neurobiology of Aging, Neurobiology of Learning and Memory, NeuroImage, Neuropsychologia, Neuroscience Letters, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, USA, Psychological Science, Social Neuroscience

Review Panels

National Science Foundation, 2015

Ad-Hoc Grant Reviewer

Alzheimer's Association, 2010, 2011
National Science Foundation, Cognitive Neuroscience Program, 2006-2007, 2010, 2011
Swiss National Science Foundation, 2009

Scientific Symposia and Courses Organized

July, 2009 Symposium on Decision Making, Multimodal Neuroimaging Training Program, Pittsburgh, PA.
2008-2013 Six week summer workshop, fMRI section. Multimodal Neuroimaging Training Program (NIH-funded), Pittsburgh, PA.

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Tremel, J. J.* and Wheeler, M. E. (2015). Content-specific evidence accumulation in inferior temporal cortex during perceptual decision-making. *NeuroImage*, 109, 35-49.
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- Wilckens, K. A. *, Woo, S. G., Kirk, A., Erickson, K. I., and Wheeler, M. E. (2014). The role of sleep continuity and total sleep time in executive function across the adult lifespan. *Psychology and Aging*, 29(3), 658-665. doi.org/10.1037/a0037234
- Dunovan, K. E. *, Tremel, J. J., and Wheeler, M. E. (2014). Prior probability and feature predictability interactively bias perceptual decisions. *Neuropsychologia*, 61, 210-221. doi:10.1016/j.neuropsychologia.2014.06.024
- Wilckens, K. A. *, Woo, S. G., Erickson, K. I., and Wheeler, M. E. (2014). Sleep continuity and total sleep time are associated with task-switching and preparation in young and older adults. *Journal of Sleep Research*, 23, 508-516. doi: 10.1111/jsr.12148
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- Criss, A. H., Wheeler, M. E., and McClelland, J. L. (2013). A differentiation account of recognition memory: Evidence from fMRI. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 25, 421-435. doi: 10.1162/jocn_a_00292.
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Articles in Preparation or Submitted

- Tremel, J. J., Laurent, P. A., Wolk, D. A., Wheeler, M. E., and Fiez, J. A. (submitted). Rate of learning and engagement of reinforcement learning systems is unaffected by modulation of declarative memory efficacy in deterministic feedback-based learning.
- Dunovan, K. E.* , Tremel, J. J., and Wheeler, M. E. (in prep). Prior expectations modulate hemodynamic activity before and during perceptual decisions: evidence from diffusion modeling and fMRI.
- Peterson, E. J.* and Wheeler, M. E. (in prep). The diversity of distributed decisions.
- Wilckens, K. A.* Erickson, K. I., and Wheeler, M. E. (in prep). Sleep continuity mediates the relationship between physical activity and executive function.
- Wilckens, K. A.* , Wolk, D. A., and Wheeler, M. E. (in prep). ERP evidence for a 'late correction' retrieval strategy in low-performing older adults

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External Invited Talks

- Neural representations of evidence in memory and perception* (2015). Southeastern Workers in Memory meeting, Hilton Head, North Carolina.
- The tipping point: fMRI reveals temporal neural dynamics of perceptual decision-making* (2013). School of Psychology Colloquium, Georgia Institute of Technology.
- Temporal neural dynamics of perceptual decision-making* (2013). Center for Innovation and Creativity Seminar, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- Retrieval preparation and retrieval success* (2013). Molecular, Cellular, and Integrative Neurosciences Seminar, Colorado State University.

The tipping point: fMRI reveals temporal neural dynamics of perceptual decision-making (2013). Molecular, Cellular, and Integrative Neurosciences Seminar, Colorado State University.

Using fMRI to reveal temporal components of perceptual decision-making (2010). Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Research and Methods Group, Case Western Reserve University.

Retrieval preparation and retrieval success (2010). Context and Episodic Memory Symposium, University of Pennsylvania.

Functional MRI reveals components of perceptual decision making (2010). Meeting of the Section on Integrative Neuroimaging, National Institute of Mental Health.

Functional MRI reveals temporal components of perceptual decision making (2008). Psychology Department Brown Bag, Carnegie Mellon University.

Early accumulation and late feedback error signals in perceptual recognition decisions (November, 2007). Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, Program Number 666.5.

Functionally distinct regions in left parietal cortex: Evidence from studies of memory (October, 2004). Memory Disorders Research Society, New York.

Investigating components of remembering with fMRI (2004). Department of Psychology Colloquium, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Identifying components of remembering using fMRI (2004). Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences Colloquium, Dartmouth University.

Triple dissociation among brain regions supporting retrieval effort, success, and content (2001). Society for Neuroscience Thirty-first Annual Meeting, San Diego.

Presentations and colloquia

Temporal properties of BOLD fMRI (2014). School of Psychology Cognitive Brain Sciences brown bag, Georgia Institute of Technology.

The tipping point: which brain signals inform decision-making? (2012). Laboratory of Neurocognitive Development, University of Pittsburgh.

Brain signals underlying perceptual decision-making (2011). Center for Neuroscience. University of Pittsburgh.

Temporal properties of fMRI: Considerations in studies of cognition (2011). Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition. University of Pittsburgh.

Properties of the BOLD fMRI (2010). Laboratory of Neurocognitive Development, University of Pittsburgh.

Component processes in memory retrieval: deciding and succeeding (2009). Department of Psychology Colloquium, University of Pittsburgh.

Functional MRI reveals neural components of perceptual decision making (2009). Multimodal Neuroimaging Training Program Symposium on Decision Making, University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University.

Perceptual memory: Recalling and recognizing objects (2009). Scientific Presentation at the Learning Research and Development Center, University of Pittsburgh.

Properties of the BOLD response: Considerations for cognitive research (2009). Laboratory of Neurocognitive Development, University of Pittsburgh.

Error signals and decision boundaries in perceptual decision making (2009). Department of Psychology Cognitive Brown Bag, University of Pittsburgh.

Functional MRI reveals temporal components of perceptual decision making (2008). Department of Psychology Cognitive Brown Bag, University of Pittsburgh.

Neural mechanisms of episodic retrieval: how are memories represented and identified during retrieval (2008)? Department of Communication Science and Disorders, Research Round Table, University of Pittsburgh.

The Process of Decision Making: Investigating Where and What with fMRI (2007). Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition, University of Pittsburgh.

Investigating neural bases of episodic memory with fMRI (2006). Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition, University of Pittsburgh.

Where does the brain 'store' memories (2005)? The 'Memory Speaks!' Lecture Series, Department of Theatre Arts, University of Pittsburgh.

Memory signals in the posterior parietal lobe (2005)? Center for Neural Basis of Cognition Annual Retreat, University of Pittsburgh.

Components of remembering (March, 2004). Department of Psychology Colloquium, University of Pittsburgh.

Exploring vivid perceptual memory using fMRI (2001). Brain, Behavior & Cognition Colloquium, Department of Psychology, Washington University.

Presentations (abstracts)

Wheeler, M., Dunovan, K., and Tremel, J. (2014). Prior expectations modulate hemodynamic activity before and during perceptual decisions: Evidence from diffusion modeling and fMRI. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.

Tremel, J., Laurent, P., Wolk, D., Wheeler, M., and Fiez, J. (2014). Modulation of declarative memory efficacy affects neither learning rate nor the role of reinforcement learning systems in deterministic, feedback-based decision-making. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.

Nielsen, A. N., Tremel, J. J., and Wheeler, M. E. (2013). Functional connectivity reveals age-related reorganization of functional networks. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.

Wheeler, M. E., Woo, S., Tremel, J., Vijayan, T., Collier, A., Ploran, E., and Yang, T. (2012). The strength of gradually accumulating choice probabilities modulates brain activity prior to a categorical decision. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.

Woo, S., Marek, S., and Wheeler, M. (2013). Brain activity modulations track rate of evidence during probabilistic reasoning. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.

Wilckens, K., Erickson, K. I., and Wheeler, M. E. (2013). High quality sleep is associated with preparation and task-set adoption in young and older adults. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.

- Lim, S-J, Fiez, J. A., Wheeler, M. E., and Holt, L. L. (2013). Investigating the neural basis of video-game-based category learning. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.
- Nielsen, A.*, Wheeler, M. (2012). Age-related differences in resting-state functional connectivity networks. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.
- Nelson, S. M., Wheeler, M. E., Ploran, E. J., Tremel, J. J., and Petersen, S. E. (2012). Dissociating the roles of lateral and medial prefrontal cortex in decision-making tasks: Implications for stages of processing. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.
- Dunovan, K. E.*, Tremel, J. J., and Wheeler, M. E. (2012). Transient prior probabilities affect choice bias during temporally extended perceptual decision making. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.
- Tremel, J. J. and Wheeler, M. E. (2012). Neural accumulation during face/house discrimination in stimulus-specific regions. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.
- Wheeler, M. E., Woo, S., Tremel, J., Vijayan, T., Collier, A., Ploran, E., and Yang, T. (2012). Evolving brain activity prior to a categorical decision reflects the strength of gradually accumulating choice probabilities. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Nineteenth Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL.
- Vanyukov, P., Warren, T., Wheeler, M. E., & Reichle, E. (2011). Emergence of Frequency Effects in Eye Movements. *European Conference on Eye Movements*.
- Criss, A. H., Wheeler, M. E., and McClelland, J. L. (2011). A differentiation account of recognition memory: Evidence from fMRI. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Eighteenth Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.
- Wilckens, K.A.*, Wolk, D.A., and Wheeler, M.E. (2010). ERP evidence for a “late correction” memory retrieval strategy in older adults. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.
- Nelson, S. M., Wheeler, M. E., Schlaggar, B. L., and Petersen, S. E. (2010). Dissociating memory-retrieval related processes in networks defined from regions in human left lateral parietal cortex using an extended retrieval paradigm. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*.
- Wilckens, K. A.*, Signoff, E. D., Wolk, D. A., and Wheeler, M. E. (2010). Evidence for a ‘late correction’ memory retrieval strategy in older adults. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Seventeenth Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Canada.
- Ploran, E. J.*, Tremel, J. J., and Wheeler, M. E. (2010). BOLD fMRI accumulation signals modulate based on the consistency of evidence during perceptual decisions. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Seventeenth Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Canada.
- Wilckens, K. A.*, Signoff, E. D., Wolk, D. A., and Wheeler, M. E. (2009). The impact of aging on electrophysiological measures of switching between memory tasks. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL.
- Ploran, E. J.*, Tremel, J. J., and Wheeler, M. E. (2009). High quality, but limited quantity perceptual evidence produces an accumulating BOLD signal during object identification. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL.
- Wilckens, K. A.*, Signoff, E. D., Abraham, A. J., Wolk, D. A., and Wheeler, M. E. (2009). Electrophysiological and behavioral measures of switching between memory tasks. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Sixteenth Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.

- MacLeod, C. A., Wheeler, M. E., & Donaldson, D. I. (2009). Examining recognition memory processes using a slow-reveal paradigm: a response-locked event-related potential study. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Sixteenth Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.
- Nelson, S.M., Cohen, A.L., Power, J.D., Miezin, F.M., Wheeler, M.E., Velanova, K., Donaldson, D.I., Buckner, R.L., Schlaggar, B.L., & Petersen, S.E. (2008). Defining memory retrieval-related putative areas in parietal cortex using a combined fMRI and functional connectivity MRI approach. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*, Washington, D.C.
- Phillips, J.S.*, Wolk, D.A., & Wheeler, M.E. (2008). Task switching affects preparation for episodic and semantic retrieval. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Fifteenth Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.
- Moya, L.H.*, Fiez, J.A., & Wheeler, M.E. (2007). Phonological maintenance of heard versus seen words: modality matters. Program Number 775.5. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*, San Diego, CA.
- Guediche, S.A., MacGregor, L., Wheeler, M.E., Phillips, J.S., * & Fiez, J.A. (2007). Investigating the echoic store. Program Number 635.23. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*, San Diego, California.
- Phillips, J.S.*, Velanova, K., & Wheeler, M.E. (2007). Episodic task cues evoke activity in both task-general and task-selective brain areas. Program Number 421.13. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*, San Diego, CA.
- Ploran, E.J.*, Nelson, S.M., Donaldson, D.I., Petersen, S.E., & Wheeler, M.E. (2007). An exploration of decision processes using prolonged recognition tasks. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Fourteenth Annual Meeting*.
- Ploran, E.J.*, Nelson, S.M.M., Donaldson, D.I., Petersen, S.E., & Wheeler, M.E. (2006). Evidence accumulation and the moment of recognition: an exploration of decision processes using fMRI. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, GA.
- Fiez, J.A., Singer, A., Morales, F., Worek, A., & Wheeler, M.E. (2006). Activation of auditory, speech, and motor areas during word presentation: Effects of presentation modality and task demands. *Society for Neuroscience*, Atlanta, GA.
- Tricomi, E., Wheeler, M. E., & Fiez, J. A. (2005). BOLD responses to reward-related choices and outcomes: impact of slow versus fast event-related designs. Program No. 74.16. 2005 Abstract Viewer/Itinerary Planner. Washington, DC: *Society for Neuroscience*.
- Wheeler, M.E., Shulman, G.L., Buckner, R.L., Miezin, F.M., Velanova, K., & Petersen, S.E. (2004). Examining attention cueing effects during memory retrieval using fMRI. Program No. 547.20. 2004 Abstract Viewer/Itinerary Planner. Washington, DC: *Society for Neuroscience*.
- Wheeler, M.E., Shulman, G.L., Buckner, R.L., Miezin, F.M., Velanova, K., & Petersen, S.E. (2004). Dissociating top-down signals during retrieval of visual information using fMRI. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Eleventh Annual Meeting*, p. 213.
- Wheeler, M.E. & Buckner, R.L. (2003). Neural correlates of the subjective experience of remembering. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Tenth Annual Meeting*, p. 39.
- Wheeler, M.E. & Buckner, R.L. (2002). Dissociation among brain regions supporting different components of remembering. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Ninth Annual Meeting*, p. 34.

- Buckner, R.L., Wheeler, M.E., Maccotta, L., Kerr, D., and Cohen, N.J. (2001) Code-specific repetition priming in frontal and posterior cortex. *Seventh International Conference on Functional Mapping of the Human Brain*.
- Wheeler, M.E., Donaldson, D.I., and Buckner, R.L. (2001) Common networks that reflect successful retrieval of sound and picture information from long-term memory. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Eighth Annual Meeting*.
- Wheeler, M.E., Petersen, S.E., and Buckner, R.L. (2000) Vivid remembering reactivates late sensory-specific cortex. *Society for Neuroscience Abstracts*, 26: 972.
- Sanders, Wheeler, M.E., and Buckner, R.L. (2000) Episodic recognition modulates frontal and parietal cortex activity. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Seventh Annual Meeting*.
- Buckner, R.L. & Wheeler, M. (2000) Episodic encoding processes occur during retrieval tasks. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Seventh Annual Meeting*.
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- Ball, R.H., Mohr, N.M., Wheeler, M.E., Buchmeier, S.E., & Almlı, C.R. (1997). Neurobehavioral development in the normal fetus/neonate; gestational age and gender differences. *Society for Gynecologic Investigation*.
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- Almlı, C.R., Ball, R., Mohr, N.M., & Wheeler, M.E. (1996). Human fetal-neonatal movement patterns: Age and gender differences. *International Society for Developmental Psychobiology*.

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Funding

Current Support

Neural mechanisms of age-related changes in perceptual and memory decisions

National Science Foundation 1460682

3/15/2015 – 3/14/2018, \$571,099

This project will use fMRI combined with modeling approaches to investigate age-related differences in neural signals underlying perceptual and memory decisions.

Role: Principal Investigator, 25% effort

Completed Support

Functional imaging of perceptual decision making and evidence accumulation

NIH R01 MH086492

5/14/2010 – 1/31/2015, \$1,386,508

The goal of this project is to identify neural signals the support and predict perceptual decision making, and determine how changes in healthy aging affect behavioral choice.

Role: Principal Investigator, 25% effort

Neural mechanisms of perceptual memory decisions in mild cognitive impairment

Alzheimer's Association NIRG-10-171425

2/1/2011 – 1/31/2013, \$80,000

This project will investigate perceptual memory abilities in older adults with and without mild cognitive impairment.

Role: Principal Investigator, 8% effort

Dorsomedial striatum, reinforcement learning, and declarative knowledge acquisition.

Pittsburgh Science of Learning Center (Fiez)

9/1/2008 – 8/31/2010

The aim of this project is to investigate the relationship between reinforcement learning and declarative knowledge in learning.

Role: Consultant, 3% effort

Exploring mechanisms of attentional control in memory and aging

University of Pittsburgh Institute on Aging

5/1/2008 – 4/30/2010, \$25,000

The primary goal of this project is to study neural mechanisms of selective attention to remembered events in younger and older adults.

Role: Principal Investigator (8% effort)

Neural accumulation in the parietal cortex in healthy aging and Alzheimer's Disease

ADRC Seed Monies Grant Program (Wheeler, 5% effort)

6/1/2008 – 4/1/2010, \$30,000

University of Pittsburgh Alzheimer's Disease Research Center

This project tests whether accumulating neural signals predict perceptual decision outcome in older adults with and without mild cognitive impairment.

Role: Principal Investigator

Central Research Development Fund (Wheeler)

7/1/2007 – 6/30/2009, \$15,763

University of Pittsburgh

Behavioral and neural mechanisms of motion detection

The goal is to use fMRI to investigate neural signals underlying decisions about motion.

Role: Principal Investigator

DARPA N00014-05-1-0881 (Schneider)

10/1/2005 - 9/30/2006, \$802,435

Mapping Brain Architecture Supporting Experience Based Cognition

The purpose of this project was to map brain structure using DTI and function using fMRI under conditions of dynamic multimodal experience.

Role: Co-Investigator, 8% effort

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate Courses

Biological Psychology, Washington University (Summer 99, 00)
Sensation and Perception (sp06, sp07, sp08, sp09, fl09, sp10, fl10, fl11, sp12, fl12, sp14)
Cognition and the Brain (sp08)
Memory and Memorization (fl13)

Graduate Courses

Human Learning & Memory (sp05, fl06, sp09)
Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fl05, sp15)
Topics Seminar in Cognitive Psychology, Research Presentations (fl08, sp09, fl09)

Students/Trainees

Doctoral Student Mentoring

2015- Elyse Carlson
2014- Austin Theodore
2012-2014 Jonathan Siegel, M.A.
2011-2014 Kyle Dunovan, M.A.
2008-2012 Kristine Wilckens, Ph.D., Postdoctoral fellow at UPMC
2006-2007 David Halpern, M.A.
2005-2008 Jeffrey Phillips, M.A.
2005-2010 Elisabeth Ploran, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Hofstra University

Postdoctoral Mentoring

2012-2013 Erik Peterson, Ph.D., Postdoctoral fellow at UC San Diego

Other Doctoral Student Mentoring

2012-2013 Christopher Paynter, CMU (Reder)- IGERT fellowship co-mentor
2011 Sweyta Lohani, Neuroscience- Rotation
2011 Joanne Park, Univ. Stirling (Donaldson)- Visiting scholar
2006 Lucy McGregor, Univ. Stirling (Donaldson)- Visiting scholar
2006 Linda Moya CMU (Behrmann)- IGERT fellowship co-mentor

Undergraduate Research Training (Directed Research unless otherwise noted, *current position*)

2015 Mikaka Munch, Computer Science
2014- Matt Nasiatka, Computer Science
2014- Bridget Nabb, Bioengineering
2014 James Plager, Computer Science
2012 Cindy Chen, Psychology
2012 Ashley Senders, Psychology
2011-2013 Ashley Nielsen, BioE, *Doctoral program in Neuroscience, Washington Univ.*
2011-2012 Krupa Patel, Neuroscience
2011-2012 Marina Lukac, Psychology and Neuroscience
2010-2011 Rebecca Taylor, Neuroscience, Psychology
2010 Matthew Sniscak, Psychology
2010-2011 Leslie Denlinger, Psychology
2009-2010 Eric Cyterski, Psychology
2009 John Skicki, Psychology

2009-2010 Sarah Woo, Biology and Psychology
 2009-2010 Tobin Vijayan Ansel, Neuroscience, *SUNY College of Optometry*
 2009-2011 Kris Budhram, Psychology
 2009-2010 Anna Xu, Neuroscience
 2009 Carolyn Ellis, Psychology
 2008-2009 Krista Yakub, Neuroscience (Honors Thesis), *Doctoral program, South Florida*
 2008-2009 Sarah Banducci, Psychology, *Doctoral program, Univ. Illinois Urbana-Champaign*
 2008-2009 Ashley Abraham, Psychology
 2008-2009 Christopher Stevens, Psychology, Honors Thesis, *Doctoral program, Penn State*
 2008 Megan Flaherty, Psychology
 2007-2008 Matt McShane, Psychology
 2007-2008 Anton Ladden, Neuroscience
 2007 Alyse Thomas, Neuroscience, *Doctoral program, University of Pennsylvania*
 2007 David Raboy, Psychology
 2007-2009 Joshua Tremel, Neuroscience (Honors Thesis), *Doctoral program, Univ. Pittsburgh*
 2007-2009 Amanda Collier, Psychology, Brackenridge Fellow
 2006-2007 Janani Prabhakar, Psychology, Ph.D., Rutgers, *Postdoc, Univ. California Davis*
 2005 Larry Karcher, Psychology
 2005 Amanda Worek, Psychology, *M.S.-SLP, Massachusetts General Hospital*

Summer Internships

2011 Lexi Crommett (Psychology, Texas A&M), Center for Neuroscience Fellow
 2011, 2012 Ashley Nielsen (Bioengineering, Pitt), Swanson School of Engineering Fellow

Doctoral Thesis Committees (mentor)

2013 Christopher Paynter (Lynne Reder, Carnegie Mellon University)
 2012 Kristine Wilckens (Wheeler)
 2012-2013 Daniel Simmonds (Luna)
 2011 Kai Hwang, Psychology (Luna)
 2011 Elisabeth Ploran, Psychology (Wheeler)
 2010 Karin Cox, Psychology (Fiez)
 2009 Sara Guediche, Neuroscience (Fiez)
 2009 Steven Nelson, Neuroscience (Steve Petersen, Washington University)
 2008-2009 Charles Geier, Psychology (Luna)
 2007-2009 Patryk Laurent, Neuroscience (Reichle)
 2007-2009 Michael Cole, Neuroscience (Schneider)
 2007-2009 Jared Danker, Psychology (John Anderson, Carnegie Mellon University)
 2006-2009 Katie Russell, Psychology (Ricker, Fiez)
 2006-2007 Anita Barber, Psychology (Schneider)
 2005 Elizabeth Tricomi, Psychology (Fiez)

Masters Thesis Committees

2014 Jonathan Siegel (Wheeler)
 2013 Kyle Dunovan (Wheeler)
 2012 Darshana Tuladhar, Psychology (Fiez)
 2011 Lindsay Harris, Psychology (Perfetti)

2010 Aarthi Padmanabhan, Psychology (Luna)
2010 Kai Hwang, Psychology (Luna)
2010 Kristine Wilckens, Psychology (Wheeler)
2009 Jeffrey Phillips, Psychology (Wheeler)
2007 Elisabeth Ploran, Psychology (Wheeler)
2006 Charles Geier, Psychology (Luna)
2006 Sara Guediche, Neuroscience (Fiez)
2005 Kyung Hwa Lee, Psychology (Siegle)

Comprehensive/Preliminary Exam Committees

2015 Didem Pehlivanoglu, Psychology (Verhaeghen)
2015 Savannah Cookson, Psychology (Schumacher)
2012 Adrienne Taren, Neuroscience (Creswell, Carnegie Mellon University)
2012 Dani Simmonds, Neuroscience (Luna)
2011 Kai Hwang, Psychology (Luna)
2011 Kristine Wilckens, Psychology (Wheeler)
2008 Kasay Griffin, Psychology (Sayette)
2008 Charles Geier, Psychology (Luna)
2008 Elisabeth Ploran, Psychology (Wheeler)
2008 Karin Cox, Psychology (Fiez)
2006 Sara Guediche, Neuroscience (Fiez)
2006 Michael Cole, Neuroscience (Schneider)
2006 Jessica Nelson, Psychology (Perfetti)