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| University of Florida | Bachelor of Science | 1990 |
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University of California, San Diego Professor of Psychology (Step IX) 2019-present   
University of Miami Professor of Psychology 2006-2019

University of Miami Associate Professor of Psychology 2002-2006

Southern Methodist University Associate Professor of Psychology 2000-2002

Louisiana Tech University Assistant Professor of Psychology 1995-1996

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National Institute for Healthcare Research Director of Research 1996-2000

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2021 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Book Award

2020 Fellow, Society of Experimental Social Psychology

2017 Provost’s Award for Scholarly Activity, University of Miami

2015 *Docteur honoris causa*, Institut de Recherche en Sciences Psychologiques, Université Catholique de Louvain

2012 Cooper Fellow (The University of Miami College of Arts and Sciences’s highest award in recognition of faculty scholarship)

2010 Fellow, Society for Personality and Social Psychology

2010 Fellow, American Psychological Association (Division 12)

2006 Virginia Sexton Mentoring Award, Division 36 (Psychology of Religion), American Psychological Association

2001 Tower Faculty Fellowship (2001-2002), Tower Center for Political Studies,

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1. Margaret Gorman Early Career Award, American Psychological Association, Division 36 (Psychology of Religion)

1996 Biggs-Pine award for the most significant scholarly contribution, Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling (ASERVIC)

**PUBLICATIONS**

1. Books

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Determined Donors: An Experimental Investigation of Moral Excellence (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). University of Miami Provost’s Research Award (June 1, 2019-May 31, 2020). $16,997.

A Planning Project to Uncover the Cognitive and Cultural Foundations of Gratitude. (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation (May 16, 2018-May 14, 2020). $234,800.

Who Helps? Identifying internalized prosocial motivation in post-Irma charitable giving. (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). University of Miami College of Arts and Sciences Hurricane Irma Grants Initiative (October 23, 2017-May 31, 2018). $4928.

Systems Approach to Controlling the Online Rise of Extremism (SCORE). (Michael E. McCullough, Co-Investigator, Neil F. Johnson, Principal Investigator). University of Miami U-LINK Initiative (January 2, 2018-August 31, 2018). $40,000.

Third-Party Retaliation and the Psychology of Deterrence: Mapping the Psychological Mechanisms that Regulate Retaliation on Behalf of Others (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). Air Force Office of Scientific Research (May 2012-April 2015). $1,411,844.

A Darwinian Reconciliation: The Evolutionary Psychology of Human Forgiveness (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation (August 15, 2014-August 14, 2018). $1,909,514.

Do Humans Have an Instinct to Punish Third Parties? (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator), Arsht Ethics and Community Award Program (August 2010-July, 2011). $34,971.30

Second-Party vs. Third-Party Punishment: What’s the Difference? Provost Research Award, University of Miami (2010-2011, $3000).

Does Religious Cognition Promote Self-Control? A Program of Experimental Research (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation ($857,034, August 1, 2009-July 31, 2013).

Religiosity as a Protective Mechanism for Adolescent Health (R03 HD057386) (Jungmeen Kim, Principal Investigator; Michael E. McCullough Consultant). National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). 2009-2011.

Experimental Investigations of Religion’s Effects on Self-Control: Three Experimental Studies (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). General Research Support Award, ($5462.50, 2008-2009).

Reaching Opinion Leaders with the Science of Forgiveness: A Comprehensive Outreach Plan for Beyond Revenge: The Evolution of the Forgiveness Instinct (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation ($91,509, December 1, 2007-March 31, 2009).

Forgiveness and Relational Spirituality (Everett L. Worthington, Principal Investigator; Michael E. McCullough, Co-Investigator). John B. Fetzer Institute, Kalamazoo, MI. (Sept 1, 2006 – August 31, 2010). (McCullough Portion of Budget = $99,763).

Aversive Interpersonal Events, Psychopathology, and Health (MH071258) (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). National Institute of Mental Health ($1,014,876, September 30, 2005-May 31, 2009).

An Evolutionary Perspective on Revenge (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator, University Research Council ($5000, June 1, 2005-May 30, 2005).

Toward a Theory of Religious Self-Control (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation ($89,876, January 1, 2005-December 31, 2005).

Forgiveness and heart rate variability (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator), University Research Council, University of Miami ($5000, June 1, 2004-May 31, 2005).

Spiritual Transformations Across the Lifespan (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). Metanexus Institute ($83,208, June 1, 2003-May 31, 2005).

Terman Spirituality and Health Project (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation ($150,401, May 1, 2001-June 1, 2007).

Forgiveness and health: Development and application of a laboratory paradigm (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). Campaign for Forgiveness Research ($189,950, July 1, 2001-December 31, 2004).

Empathy, retaliation, and forgiveness: A laboratory paradigm (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). University Research Council, Southern Methodist University ($4800, 2001-2002).

Perspectives and Dimensions of Gratitude (Co-Principal Investigator), University of California, Davis ($363,214, September 1, 1999-September 30, 2003).

The Terman SRI and Health Project: Spiritual/Religious Involvement and Its Relation to Health and Well-Being (Principal Investigator). Radcliffe Research Support Program ($5,000). (1998).

Spiritually Sensitive Care at the End of Life: Appraising the State of the science in Medicine, Nursing, and Pastoral Care (Principal Investigator), Nathan Cummings Foundation and Fetzer Institute ($84,000). (1998).

Using Systematic Reviews to Advance the Role of Spirituality in Medicine and End-of-Life Care (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). Nathan Cummings Foundation ($2,000). (1998)

Annotated bibliography of empirical research on forgiveness and related concepts (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation ($40,000). (1997)

Funded contract to conduct a research workshop on forgiveness (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation ($10,000). (1997)

Funded contract to conduct a research workshop on classical sources of human strength. (Michael E. McCullough, Principal Investigator). John Templeton Foundation ($100,000). (1997)

Principal Investigator, Systematic Review of Research on Gratitude. John Templeton Foundation ($78,694). (1997)

Principal Investigator, Systematic review of research on altruism. John Templeton Foundation ($46,373). (1997)

1. Editorial Responsibilities:

**Editorial Board,** *Religion, Brain, and Behavior* (2009-Date)

**Consulting Editor**, *Evolutionary Psychology* (2007-Date)

**Consulting Editor**, *The Journal of Positive Psychology* (2005-2008).

**Consulting Editor**, *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, Interpersonal Relations and Group Processes (2008-2017)

**Consulting Editor,** *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology: Personality Processes and Individual Differences* (2000-2003).

**I have reviewed manuscripts for** *Proceedings of the National Academy of* Sciences, *American Psychologist*, *Psychological Science, Psychological Review, Psychological Bulletin*, *Health Psychology, Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin, Personality and Social Psychology* Review, *Journal of Personality, Personality and Individual Differences, Journal of Research in Personality, Political Psychology, International Journal of Epidemiology, Cognition and Emotion*, *Self and Identity,* Review *of Religious Research, British Journal of Social Psychology, Human Nature, Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, Evolution and Human Behavior, Journal of Counseling Psychology, Journal of Health Psychology, Journal of Applied Social Psychology, Psychosomatics, International Journal of Psychiatry in Medicine*, *Academy of Management Journal, Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, International Journal for the Psychology of Religion,* and *Psychological Reports.*

1. Professional and Honorary Organizations:

American Psychological Association

American Psychological Society

Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Human Behavior and Evolution Society

Phi Beta Kappa

1. Other Professional Activities

**Invited Lectures and Colloquia**

Evolutionary Psychology Preconference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA, February 2022

Social Area, Department of Psychology, Harvard University, October 2021

Planning and Advisory Meeting on the Templeton Religion Trust’s “Social Consequences of Religions” (SCORE) Program Initiative, Oxford, UK, October 2019

Expert Workshop on Forgiveness and Revenge, Vrije Universiteit Research Master’s Program in Social Psychology, Amsterdam, June 2018

Department of Biological and Environmental Science, University of Jyväskylä, Jyväskylä, Finland, May 2018

Biology, Economics, and Evolution Program, University of Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland, April 2018

Keynote Address at the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality Preconference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology, 1 March 2018

Expert Workshop on Forgiveness and Revenge, Vrije Universiteit Research Master’s Program in Social Psychology, Amsterdam, 19-23 June 2017

University of California, San Diego, April 2016  
Franklin College, March 2016  
Florida Southwestern State College, February 2016  
Magdalen College, Oxford University, Oxford, UK, November 2015

Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, Oxford University, Oxford, UK November 2015

Jubilee Center, University of Birmingham, Birmingham, UK, November 2015  
National Institute for Mathematical & Biological Synthesis, Univ of Tennessee, September 2015  
Université Catholique de Louvain, April 2015

New York University, October 2014   
American Museum of Natural History, October 2014

Boston University, October 2013  
Harvard School of Public Health, October, 2013  
Wrangham Lab, Department of Human Evolutionary Biology, Harvard University, October 2013  
Center for Public Scholarship, New School for Social Research, December 2012.

University of Miami, Department of Biology Colloquium Series, November, 2012

University of Miami, Department of Psychology Colloquium Series, May 2012

Department of Psychology/Social Science and Legal Policy Speaker Series, Arizona State University, April 2012

Center for Religion and Conflict, Arizona State University, April 2012

Center for Behavior, Evolution, and Culture, University of California, Los Angeles, March 2011

University of California, Riverside, March 2011

Center for Mind, Brain, and Culture, Emory University, November, 2010

Center for the Study of Law and Religion, Emory University, September, 2010

College of Science, Department of Human Development, and Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, Virginia Tech University, March 2010

Department of Psychology, University of British Columbia, March 2010

Mental Health Association of Broward County, March, 2010

Department of Psychology, University of Florida, February, 2010

Department of Psychology, Florida Atlantic University, November 2009

Keynote Address, 31st Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Social Psychologists, Ft. Myers, FL, November 2009.

David Franz Lecture, Gordon College, Wenham, MA, September 2009

York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, September 2009

University of Zürich, Department of Psychology, June 2009

Templeton-Cambridge Journalism Fellows Program, Cambridge, UK, June 2009

Cambridge University, June 2009

Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, March 2009

Duke University, March 2009

Religion Preconference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Tampa, FL, Feb 2009.

Evolutionary Psychology Preconference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Tampa, FL, Feb 2009

Restorative Justice Conference, Kitchener-Waterloo, ON, November 2008

University of Virginia, October 2008

University of Richmond, October 2008

Kurt Lewin Institute, Amsterdam, June 2008

Department of Social Psychology, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, June 2008

Carleton University, Ottawa, November 2007

Claremont Graduate University, October 2007

University of Florida, Department of Psychology, 2007

Thanks-Giving Square, Dallas, TX, Feb 2007

University of Utah, January 2004

University of California, San Francisco, March 2003

Thanks-Giving Square, Dallas, TX, October 2000

**Conference Posters and Presentations**

Grant, M. D.\*, Loria, R.\*, Forster, D., McCullough, M., Lieberman, D., & Pedersen, E.

J. (2024, February).*Friendship formation and maintenance: A longitudinal study examining gratitude over time.* In M. D. Grant (Chair), *Examining the formation and maintenance of friendship through the evolutionary lens.*Symposium to be conducted at the 2024 Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Convention, San Diego.

Grant, M. D., Loria, R., Forster, D., McCullough, M. E., Lieberman, D., & Pedersen, E.

J. (2023, June).*Friendship formation and maintenance: A longitudinal study examining gratitude over time.* Talk presented at 2023 Human Behavior and Evolutionary Society (HBES) Annual Convention, Palm Springs, California.

Mulhinch, M.R., McCullough, M.E. (2023) “The effects of perfection on person perception and

partner choice” Poster presented at Evolutionary Psychology preconference at the 24th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA

McCauley, T. G., Mulhinch, M., McCullough, M.E. (2023). *Honesty-Humility Predicts Need-*

*Based Helping, But Only In The Absence of Social Rewards*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.

Mulhinch, M.R., McCullough, M.E. (2022) “The effects of perfection on person perception and

partner choice” Poster presented at the 33rd annual conference of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society

Noronha-Weeks, T.J\*., McCullough, M.E., & Hone, L.S.E. (April, 2022). For Whom (Followers

of Abrahamic Religions), and for What Reason (Intrapersonal Religious Commitment), is Sociosexuality More Closely Related to Religiosity? Poster presented at the annual spring symposium of the University of Florida’s Center for Undergraduate Research, Gainesville, FL.

Marcus, Z. J., McCauley, T. G., Pedersen, E. J., & McCullough, M. E (2022, February).

Attention and prosocial decision making in economics games. Poster presented at the 23rd annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Francisco, CA.

McCauley, T. G., Mulhinch, M., & McCullough, M. E (2022, February). Computational mechanisms and individual differences underlying empathic concern and need-based helping. Poster presented at the 23rd annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Francisco, CA.

Noronha-Weeks, T. J., McCullough, M. E., & Hone, L. S. E. (2022, April). For Whom (Followers of Abrahamic Religions), and for What Reason (Intrapersonal Religious Commitment), is Sociosexuality More Closely Related to Religiosity? Poster presented at the annual spring symposium of the University of Florida’s Center for Undergraduate Research, Gainesville, FL.

Grant, M. D., McCullough, M. E., & Pedersen, E. J. (2021, July). Tracking opportunities to develop cooperative relationships with needy others. Paper presented at the 33rd annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, virtual.

Grant, M. D., McCullough, M. E., & Pedersen, E. J. (2021, April). Tracking opportunities to

develop cooperative relationships with needy others. Paper presented at the 16th annual meeting of the NorthEastern Evolutionary Psychology Society, Pittsburgh, PA.

Forster, D. E. & McCullough, M. E. (2020). Linguistic correlates of relationship closeness. Paper accepted at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.

Wadsworth, L. M., Forster, D. E., McCullough, M. E., Lieberman, D., & Pedersen, E. J. (2019, August). Gratitude and the formation and maintenance of relationships. Poster presented at the first annual meeting of FOSSIL (FlyOver State Scientists Integrating EvoLution), Oklahoma State University.

Hone, L.S.E. (2019, May). Religion causes decreases in women’s provocativeness of dress. Datablitz conducted at the 31st annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Boston, MA.

Pedersen, E. J., Forster, D. E., Ramos, J., Wadsworth, L. M., McCullough, M. E., & Lieberman, D. (2019, May). The adaptive function and reputational consequences of gratitude. Paper presented at the 31st annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Boston, MA.

Wadsworth, L. M., Forster, D. E., McCullough, M. E., Lieberman, D., & Pedersen, E. J. (2019, May). Gratitude and the formation and maintenance of relationships. Poster presented at the 31st annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Boston, MA.

Pedersen, E. J., Forster, D. E., McCullough, M. E., & Lieberman, D. (2019, May). Cooperation: The roles of interpersonal value and gratitude. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, D.C.

Billingsley, J., Gomes, C. M., & McCullough, M.E. (2019, February). Implicit and explicit influences of religious cognition on dictator game transfers. Paper presented at the 20th annual meeting of Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.

Billingsley, J., & McCullough, M.E. (2019, February). What in God’s name are we priming? Symposium at the 20th annual meeting of Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Portland, OR.

Forster, D. E. & McCullough, M. E. (2019, February). How victims use social information to respond to transgressions and apologies. Poster presented at the 20th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.

McCauley, T.G., Hone, L.S.E., & McCullough, M.E. (2019, February). Sex premium in religiously motivated moral judgment. In M. E. McCullough (Chair), What in God’s Name Are We Priming? Symposium conducted at the 20th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.

McAuliffe, W.H.B., Pedersen, E.J., & McCullough, M.E. (2018, March). Cognitive models underlying inconsistent self-reported gender differences in empathy. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.

McCullough, M.E. & McAuliffe, W.H.B. (2018, March). Is perspective taking the default response to human suffering? Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.

Forster, D. E. & McCullough, M. E. (2017, June). Do people’s perceptions of a transgressor’s relationship value cause forgiveness? Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Boise, ID.

Forster, D. E. & McCullough, M. E. (2017, January). People forgive to regain access to benefits. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

McAuliffe, W.H.B., Forster, D.E., Philippe, J., & McCullough, M.E. (2017, January). The effects of perspective taking on emotional arousal and social support. Poster presented at the Emotion Preconference of the annual Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

McAuliffe, W.H.B. & McCullough, M. E. (2017 January). Demand characteristics explain empathy-induced altruism and dictator game giving. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

McAuliffe, W.H.B. & McCullough, M. E. (2017 June). The psychology of common knowledge explains the appearance of altruistic and moral motivation. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Boise, ID.

McCullough, M. E., McAuliffe, W. H. B., Pedersen, E. J., & Forster, D. E. (2017 January). An evaluation of the psychometric properties of the Dictator Game and Trust Game. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Owusu-Addo, S., Patel, S., Russell, M., Burnette, J., & Forster, D. E. (2017). The interaction of relationship value and exploitation risk predict forgiveness of betrayals. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in San Antonio, TX.

Pedersen, E. J., McAuliffe, W. H. B., & McCullough, M. E. (2017 January). Does the third-party punishment game actually measure altruistic punishment? Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

McCullough, M. E. (2016 September). Apologies and compensation promote forgiveness by reducing perceived exploitation risk and increasing perceived relationship value: Longitudinal and experimental results. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Santa Monica, CA.

Russell, V. M., Burnette, J. L., McCullough, M. E., Van Tongeren, D. R., & Davis, D. E. (2016 August). An evolutionary perspective on forgiveness in close relationships. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Denver, CO.

Russell, V. M., Burnette, J. L., McCullough, M. E., Van Tongeren, D. R., & Davis, D. E. (2016 July). The implications of expectations of exploitation for forgiveness in relationships. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Toronto, CA.

Forster, D. E.& McCullough, M. E. (2016 June). Forgiveness implies restored trust and cooperation. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society in Vancouver, BC.

McAuliffe, W. H. B. & McCullough, M. E. (2016, June). Familiarity with Spanish predicts perceived cultural relevance of and desire to interact with Spanish speakers. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Vancouver, BC.

McCullough, M. E., Burnette, J., & Pedersen, E. J.(2016 June). People selectively forgive valuable transgressors and low-risk transgressors. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Vancouver, BC.

Pedersen, E. J., Forster, D. E., McCullough, M. E., & Lieberman, D. (2016 June). A computational approach to gratitude: The roles of benefit delivery and welfare valuation. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Vancouver, BC.

Russell, V.M., Orvidas, K., Burnette, J. L., McCullough, M. E., Van Tongeren, D. R., & Davis, D. E. (2016 May). The implications of relationship value and expectations of exploitation for forgiveness. Poster to be presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

McCullough, M. E. (2016 March). Cognitive systems for revenge and forgiveness. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Atlanta, GA.

Forster, D. E.& McCullough, M. E. (2016 January). Economic decision-making correlates of forgiveness following an experimental manipulation of relationship value and exploitation risk. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in San Diego, CA.

McAuliffe, W. H. B., Snihur, A., & McCullough, M. E.(2016 January). A meta-analytic evaluation of the relationship between perspective taking and empathy. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.

McCullough, M. E., Pedersen, E. J., & McAuliffe, W. H. B. (2016 January). The unresponsive bystander: Why doesn’t he retaliate? Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.

Forster, D. E., Pedersen, E. J., & McCullough, M. E. (2015 June). Are smiles reliable due to receiver-dependent costs? Poster presented at the Annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Columbia, MO.

McAuliffe, W. B., Pedersen, E. J., & McCullough, M. E. (2015 June). Do third parties punish on behalf of strangers? Is it motivated by moral outrage? Poster presented at the Annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Columbia, MO.

Pedersen, E. J., Forster, D. E., & McCullough, M. E. (2015 May). Individual differences in endorsement of the code of honor: A life history perspective. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Columbia, MO.

Forster, D. E., Pedersen, E. J., Smith, A., Lieberman, D., & McCullough, M. E. (2014 July). Relationship value as a predictor of gratitude in response to benefit delivery. Poster presented at the 26th annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Natal, Brazil.

Pedersen, E. J., McAuliffe, W. B., Shah, Y., & McCullough, M. E. (2014 July). Welfare interdependence and the regulation of third-party punishment. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Natal, Brazil.

Tabak, B. A. & McCullough, M. E. (2014 March). Oxytocin and Interpersonal Conflict: Results from Plasma and Genetic Studies. Poster presented at the 72nd Annual meeting of the American Psychosomatic Society, San Francisco, CA.

Hone, Liana. S.E., McCullough, Michael E., Carter, Evan C., Pedersen, Eric J. (2014 February). What Are Religious Beliefs For? Paper presented at the 15th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.

Carter, E., Pedersen, E., & McCullough, M. E. (2013 June). The ecological rationality of intertemporal choice in humans. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Miami, FL.

Forster, D., Pedersen, E., & McCullough, M. E. (2013 June). Examining the relationship between code of honor and unfairness in the third-party punishment game. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Miami, FL.

Gott, L., McCullough, M. E., & Andrews, P. A. (2013 June). The cognitive effects of depression in response to interpersonal harm: A test of the analytical rumination hypothesis. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Miami, FL.

Hone, L. S. E., Carter, E. C., Pedersen, E. J., & McCullough, M. E. (2013 June). Religious cognition increases endorsements of sexual (but not cooperative) morality: A first look. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Miami, FL.

Pedersen, E. J., Kurzban, R., & McCullough, M. E. (2013 June). Do humans really punish altruistically? A closer look. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Miami, FL.

Smith, A., Lieberman, D., Pedersen, E., Forster, D., & McCullough, M. E. (2013 June). Gratitude and interpersonal welfare valuation. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Miami, FL.

Tabak, B. A., McCullough, M. E., Carver, C. S., Pedersen, E. J., & Cuccaro, M. L. (January, 2013). Variation in oxytocin receptor gene (OXTR) polymorphisms is associated with emotional and behavioral reactions to betrayal. Paper presented at the 2nd annual Society for Personality and Social Psychology Social Neuroendocrinology Preconference, New Orleans, LA.

Carter, E.C. andMcCullough, M. E. (June 2012). Decrement in cognitive performance over time is reduced by the administration of carbohydrate mouthwash. Poster presented at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society 2012 Convention, Albuquerque, NM.

Hone, Liana S.E. & McCullough, Michael E. (2012, June). 2D:4D Ratios Predict Strength (but not Endurance) in Men (but not in Women). Poster presented at the 24th Annual Human Behavior and Evolution Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Hone, Liana S.E., Carter, Evan C., & McCullough, Michael E. (2012, June). Drinking Games as a Venue for Sexual Competition. Poster presented at the 24th Annual Human Behavior and Evolution Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Kim-Spoon, J., Longo, G. S., Farley, J. P., Walters, J. M., Marburg, T. L., McCullough, M, E., & Bickel, W. K. (2012 June). *Religiosity and delay discounting predict substance use behaviors among adolescents.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

Pedersen, E. J., McCullough, M. E., Schroder, J., Tabak, B. A., & Carver, C. S. (2012, June). *Childhood Exposure to Neglect, Conflict, and Crime Predict Unprovoked and Retaliatory Defection in an Iterated Prisoner’s Dilemma*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Albuquerque, NM.

Walters, J. M., Farley, J. P., Longo, G. S., Kim-Spoon, J., & McCullough, M, E. (2012 May) *Adolescents’ future orientation mediates the link between religiosity and risky driving behavior.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

Tabak, B. A., McCullough, M. E. Carver, C. S., & Cuccaro, M. L. (October, 2011). Associations of oxytocin receptor gene (OXTR) polymorphisms with cooperation, perceived partner personality, and emotional reactions to betrayal. Poster presented at Neurobehavioral Mechanisms of Affiliative Behavior and Cooperation: Prospects for Translational Advances for Psychiatric Disorders, Center for Translational Social Neuroscience, Emory University, Atlanta, GA.

Carter, E. C., McCullough, M. E., & Carver, C. S. (2011 January). Religion increases self-control by increasing the experience of being monitored**.** Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference of the Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Hone, L. S. E., McCullough, M. E., & Carter, E. C. (2011 January). Drinking games: A venue for sexual competition. Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference of the Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Kim, J. E., McCullough, M. E., Longo, G., & Farle, J. P. (2011 April). Religious Internalization, Self-Regulation, and Externalizing Symptomatology among Adolescents. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Research on Child Development, Montreal, Quebec, CA.

Pedersen, E. J., McCullough, M. E., & Tabak, B. A. (2011 January). Neuroendocrine correlates of perceived relationship value and exploitation risk in victims of recent interpersonal transgressions. Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference of the Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

McCullough, M. E. (2010 October). Why do people bother with forgiveness? Tests of the valuable relationships hypothesis. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Minneapolis, MN.

Root Luna, L. M. & McCullough, M. E. (October, 2010). *Modeling the parasympathetic nervous system response to an emotional task: The interaction of heart rate variability, personality, and emotion regulation.* Poster presented at the 50th Annual Meeting for the Society for Psychophysiological Research, Portland, OR.

Carter, E. C., McCullough, M. E., & Carver, C. S. (2009 May). Religion’s associations with specific elements of self-control. Poster presented at the 21st annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.

Tabak, B.A., & McCullough, M. E. (May, 2009). Oxytocin Indexes Relational Distress Following an Interpersonal Harm. Poster presented at the 21st Annual Convention for the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.

McCullough, M. E., Kurzban, R., & Tabak, B. A. (March, 2009). An Evolutionary conceptualization of revenge and forgiveness. Paper presented at the Annual Herzlyia Symposium on Personality and Social Psychology: Understanding and Reducing Aggression, Violence, and Their Consequences, Herzlyia, Israel.

Marszalek, K. G., Tabak, B. A., McCullough, M. E. (February, 2009). Among Strangers, Conciliatory Gestures Increase Perceptions of Agreeableness, but Not Willingness to Cooperate. Poster presented at the tenth annual Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Tampa, FL.

Blake, A., & McCullough, M. E. (2008 May). Religion, self-monitoring, and self-control. Poster presented at the 20th annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

Blake, A., McCullough, M. E., & Willoughby, B. L. B. (2008 January). Did religion evolve to prop up humans’ self-control capabilities? Poster presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Preconference of the ninth annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Albuquerque, NM.

Kim, J., McCullough, M. E., & Cichetti, D. (2008 May). Parent and child religiosity and childpsychopathology. Poster presented at the 20th annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

McCullough, M. E., & Tabak, B. A. (2008 May). Conciliatory gestures make transgressors seem more agreeable. Paper presented at the 20th annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

Tabak, B. A., Jacobson, J. G., & McCullough, M. E. (2008 May). The affective consequences of forgiveness. Poster presented at the 20th annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.

Tabak, B.A., McCullough, M.E. (2008 February). Conciliatory gestures by transgressors promote forgiveness by making transgressors seem more agreeable: A test of primatology’s valuable relationships hypothesis. Poster presented at the ninth annual Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

McCullough, M. E. (2007 January). On the form and function of forgiveness. Paper presented at the Social Psychology Winter Conference, Park City, UT.

McCullough, M. E. (2007 April). Beyond revenge: The evolution of the forgiveness instinct. Paper presented at the Center for the Study of Law and Religion, Emory University, Atlanta, GA.

McCullough, M. E. (2007 August). Funding for a positive psychology research program. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

McCullough, M. E., Orsulak, P., Brandon, A., Akers, L., & Polak, E. L. (2007 January). Rumination, fear, and cortisol: An *in vivo* study of interpersonal transgressions. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Memphis, TN.

Tabak, B. A., McCullough, M. E., & Bono, G. (2007 May). [Conciliatory and Appeasement Behavior Increases Forgiveness Following an Interpersonal Transgression](http://www.psychologicalscience.org/convention/program_2007/search/viewProgram.cfm?Abstract_ID=10997&AbType=&AbAuthor=&Subject_ID=&Day_ID=all&keyword=Tabak). Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, D.C.

Bono, G., & McCullough, M. E. (2006, June). *Personality differences in judgments of forgiveness and injustice.* Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, Long Beach, CA.

McCullough, M. E. (2006, April). Spiritual transformations across the Life Span. Paper presented at the Metanexus Institute Spiritual Transformations Conference, Berkeley, CA.

McCullough, M. E. (2005, October). Comment on Ellison and Miller. Religion Conference, Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC.

McCullough, M. E. (2005, September). *Vengeance, forgiveness, and human nature*. Paper presented at the International Positive Psychology Summit, Washington, DC.

McCullough, M. E. (2005). Discussant in “Frontiers of Forgiveness Research” symposium. Annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.

Root, L. M., & McCullough, M. E. (2005, September). Forgiveness and physiology: An analysis of sympathetic and parasympathetic activity. Poster presented at the International Positive Psychology Summit, Washington, DC.

Bono, G., & McCullough, M. E. (2004, February). Does forgiving make us happier? Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.

McCullough, M. E. (2004 March). *Moving pictures: Longitudinal studies of religious development and the links of religion to health and well-being*. Presentation at the APA Division 36 (Psychology of Religion) Mid-Winter Meeting, Columbia, MD.

McCullough, M. E. (2004 December). Spiritual and Religious Factors in Depression: The State of the Science. Paper presented at the 2nd Annual International Conference on Spirituality and Mental Health, Department of Psychiatry, University of Ottawa.

McCullough, M. E. (2003 June). *Forgiveness, Who Does It, and How They Do It*. Presentation at the Works of Love Conference, Villanova University.

McCullough, M. E. (2003 June). *Forgiveness, who does it and how they do it: Implications for health and well-being*. Presentation at the University of Southern Maine.

McCullough, M. E. (2003 August). *Broadened notions of change: Forgiveness as a target for psychotherapy*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada.

McCullough, M. E. (2003 October). *Forgiveness is change*. Presentation at the Scientific Findings about Forgiveness Conference, Atlanta, GA.

McCullough, M. E. (2003 October). *Forgiveness, revenge, and reconciliation*. Presentation at the Social Psychology of Reconciliation Conference, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT.

Brion, S.L., McCullough, M.E. (2002 February). *The Grateful Disposition: Links to Grateful Emotion Following Performance Feedback*. Poster presented at the third annual meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology, Savannah, Georgia.

Emmons, R. A., & McCullough, M. E. (2002 February). *Spiritual and religious correlates of the grateful disposition*. Poster presented at the third annual meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology, Savannah, Georgia.

McCullough, M. E. (2002 February). *Gratitude at three levels of affect*. Paper presented at the third annual meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology, Savannah, Georgia.

McCullough, M. E. (2002 December). *Forgiveness, who does it, and how they do it*. Paper presented at the Harvard Medical School “Spirituality and Healing in Medicine” Conference, Boston, MA.

McCullough, M. E., & Bono, G. (2002 October). Forgiveness, religion, and adjustment in older adulthood. Paper presented at the Social Structures and the Aging Self Conference, State College, PA.

Tsang, J., & McCullough, M. E. (2002 February). *Gratitude diaries: The grateful disposition and everyday gratitude*. Poster presented at the third annual meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology, Savannah, Georgia.

Tsang, J. C., & McCullough, M. E. (2002, June). The relationship between closeness, forgiveness, and reconciliation over time. Poster presented at the 110th annual convention of the American Psychological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.

McCullough, M. E. (2001 February). *Is gratitude a moral affect*? Poster presented at the second annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

McCullough, M. E. (2001 August). *Religion and mortality*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

McCullough, M. E., & Tsang, J. (2001 August). *The grateful disposition: Relations to positive affect, life satisfaction, happiness, and the Big Five*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Tsang, J., & McCullough, M. E. (2001 August). *Patterns of forgiveness over time*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

McCullough, M. E., & Tsang, J. (2000 October). Parent of the virtues? The prosocial contours of gratitude. Paper presented at the “Kindling the Science of Gratitude” Symposium, Dallas, TX.

McCullough, M. E., Kilpatrick, S. D., Emmons, R. A., & Mooney, C. (2000 February). *Forgiving, rumination, and distraction: Effects on interpersonal perceptions*. Paper presented at the first annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Nashville, TN.

McCullough, M. E. (2000 August). *Religious involvement and mortality: Answers and more questions*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

McCullough, M. E. (2000 August). *How does forgiveness unfold over time*? Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

McCullough, M. E. (2000). *Religious involvement and mortality: Answers and more questions*. Paper presented at the Faith and Health Conference, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA.

McCullough, M.E., Hoyt, W.T., Larson, D.B., Koenig, H.G., & Thoresen, C.E. (1999 August). *Religious involvement and mortality: A meta-analytic review*. Poster presented at the 107th annual convention of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

McCullough, M.E., & Hoyt, W.T. (1999). *Recovering the person from interpersonal forgiving*. Paper presented at the 107th annual convention of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

McCullough, M.E. (December, 1998). *Forgiveness as human strength: Theory, measurement, and links to well being*. Paper presented at the Classical Sources of Human Strength: Appraising the Evidence Conference, Ellicott City, MD.

McCullough, M.E., Worthington, E.L., Jr., Berry, J.W., Rachal, K.C., Sandage, S.J., & Brown, S.W. (August, 1998). *Conceptualization and measurement of interpersonal forgiving*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

McCullough, M.E. (June, 1998). *Spiritual approaches to mental health treatment*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association, Toronto, Ontario.

McCullough, M.E., Rachal, K.C., Sandage, S.J., & Worthington, E.L., Jr. (August, 1997). *An empathy model of interpersonal forgiving.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Rachal, K.C., & McCullough, M.E. (August, 1997). *The anger-buffering effects of interpersonal forgiveness*. Poster presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Carter, E. F., McCullough, M.E., Sandage, S.J., & Worthington, E.L., Jr. (August, 1994). *What happens when people forgive? Theories, speculations, and implications for individual and marital therapy*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA.

McCullough, M.E. (April, 1993). *Review and critique of psychological theories of forgiveness*. Paper presented at the First National Conference on Forgiveness, Kansas City, MO.

McCullough, M.E., & Worthington, E.L., Jr. (August, 1992). *Two group interventions for promoting forgiveness*. Paper presented at the 100th annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Shortz, J.L., McCullough, M.E., DeVries, H., & Morrow, D. (April, 1992). *Published scholarship on marital therapy.* Paper presented at the meeting of the Virginia Psychological Association, Roanoke, VA.

Worthington, E.L., Jr., McCullough, M.E. (March, 1992). *College students' perceptions of a therapists' treatment of a religious issue: Partial replication and extension*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, Knoxville, TN.

McCullough, M.E., & Hoyt, W.T. (October, 1991). *Scientific identity formation: A model of person-environment fit*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Virginia Psychological Association, Richmond, VA.

McCullough, M.E., & Worthington, E.L., Jr. (October, 1991). Ob*servers' ratings of a psychotherapist's treatment of a religious issue: Partial replication and extension*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Virginia Psychological Association, Richmond, VA.

McCullough, M.E., Worthington, E.L., Jr., & Morrow, D. (April, 1991). *Observers' religiosity and perceptions of a psychotherapist's treatment of a religious issue*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Virginia Psychological Association, Virginia Beach, VA.

McCullough, M.E., Worthington, E.L., Jr., and Putney, M.W. (October, 1991). *Effects of supervisor and supervisee theoretical orientation and supervisor-supervisee matching on interns' perceptions of supervision*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Virginia Psychological Association, Richmond, VA.

Worthington, E.L., Jr., Bursley, K.H., Berry, J.T., & McCullough, M.E. (November, 1990). *Religious beliefs and practice and styles of coping with sexual attraction*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Virginia Beach, VA.

**TEACHING**

1. Teaching Awards Received:

2006 Virginia Sexton Mentoring Award, Division 36 (Psychology of Religion), American Psychological Association

2003 Purple Iris Award for Excellence in Teaching, Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority.

2002 HOPE (Honoring Our Professors' Excellence) Award, SMU.

1. Teaching Specialization (courses taught):

Social Psychology (Graduate and Undergraduate)  
Evolution and Behavior Seminar (Graduate)

Introduction to Psychology (Undergraduate)

Evolutionary Psychology (Undergraduate)

Health Psychology (Undergraduate)  
Psychology of Religion (Undergraduate)  
Religion, Mind, and Society (Undergraduate)  
Conflict, Aggression, and Peacemaking (Undergraduate)  
Cooperation and Prosocial Behavior (Undergraduate)  
Introduction to Research (Undergraduate)

1. Thesis and Dissertation Advising/Post-doctoral student supervision:

**Masters Theses and Doctoral Dissertations Supervised**

1. “Gratitude, Materialism, and Psychological Well-Being.” Emily L. Polak (Master’s Thesis, 2005).

2. “Forgiveness and Heart Rate Variability.” Lindsey M. Root (Master’s Thesis, 2005).

3. “Gift-Giving as Costly Signaling in Mate Selection Contexts.” Marcia B. Kimeldorf (Master’s Thesis, 2005).

4. “Modeling the Parasympathetic Nervous System Response to an Emotional Task: The Interaction of Heart Rate Variability, Personality, and Emotion Regulation.” Lindsey M. Root (PhD Dissertation, 2008).

5. "Reactions to Infidelity: Individual, Gender, and Situational Predictors of Relationship Outcome and Forgiveness." Marcia B. Kimeldorf (PhD Dissertation, 2008).

6. “Social dominance and conciliatory gestures as determinants of reconciliation and forgiveness.” Adam D. Cohen (Master’s Thesis, 2008).

7. “From Self-Reports of Personality to Perceptions of the Transgressor's: Perceived Agreeableness as a Predictor of Post-Conflict Anxiety.” Benjamin A. Tabak (Masters Thesis, 2008).

8. “Religion and Maintained Grip” Evan C. Carter (Master’s Thesis, 2010).

9. “Does Gratitude Promote Reciprocity in Response to All Benefits, Or Just Those Rendered by Novel Relationship Partners? Testing the Role of Gratitude in the Establishment of Reciprocal Relationships” Adam D. Cohen (PhD Dissertation, 2010).

10. “Associations of the Oxytocin Receptor (OXTR) and Resilience to Betrayal in an Iterated Prisoner’s Dilemma” Benjamin A. Tabak (PhD Dissertation, 2011)

11. “The Roles of Empathy and Anger in the Regulation of Third-Party Punishment. Eric J. Pedersen (Master’s Thesis, 2012).

12. “Drinking Games as a Venue for Sexual Competition.” Liana S. E. Hone (Master’s Thesis, 2012).

13. “A series of meta-analytic tests of the depletion effect.” Evan C. Carter (PhD Dissertation, 2013).

14. “Are Smiles Reliable Due to Costs of Social Punishment?” Daniel E. Forster (Master’s Thesis, 2015).

15. “Does religious cognition down-regulate a sexually selected, characteristically female behavior?” Liana S. E. Hone (PhD Dissertation, 2015)

16. “A Welfare Interdependence Approach to Third-Party Punishment.” Eric J. Pedersen (PhD Dissertation, 2015)

17. “The Psychology of Common Knowledge Explains the Appearance of Altruistic and Moral Motivation” William H. B. McAuliffe (Master’s Thesis, 2017)

18. “Are Apologies Less Effective for Transgressors Who Seem Unlikely to Exploit their Victims Again in the Future? An Experimental Evaluation of a Mediational Hypothesis” Daniel E. Forster (PhD Dissertation, 2018)

19. “Can Studies of Trait Altruism Be Trusted?” William H.B. McAuliffe (PhD Dissertation, 2019)

**Post-Doctoral Fellows Supervised**

1. Shelley Dean Kilpatrick, PhD (1998-2000), Currently Associate Professor of Psychology, Southwest Baptist University
2. Jo-Ann Tsang, PhD (2000-2002), Currently Associate Professor of Psychology, Baylor University
3. Giacomo Bono, PhD (2003-2005), Currently Assistant Professor of Psychology, California State University, Dominguez Hills
4. Cristina Gomes, PhD (2013-2016), Currently Assistant Director of the Tropical Conservation Institute, Florida International University
5. Eric Pedersen, PhD (2015-2017), Currently Assistant Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado, Boulder
6. University Committee and Administrative Responsibilities:

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

2020-Present Coordinator, Social Psychology Brown Bag Colloquium Series

2020-Present Member, Seventh College Executive Committee

2020-Present Member, Faculty Senate Awards Committee

2019-Present Member, Department of Psychology Space and Resource Committee

2019-2020 Member, Faculty (LPSOE) Search Committee

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

2018 – 2019 Internal Committee for Department of Sociology’s Graduate Program Review

2016 – 2019 Co-Organizer of the University-Wide Cognitive Studies Group

2016 – 2019 Chair of the Non-Clinical Committee, Department of Psychology

2013 – 2014 Planning Committee, College of Arts and Sciences Think-Tank Initiative

2010 – 2019 Member of Seven Junior Faculty Mentoring Committees, Dept. of Psychology

2010 – 2019 Coordinator, Evolution, Cognition, & Behavior Program, Dept. of Psychology

2013 – 2014 Planning Committee, College of Arts and Sciences Think-Tank Initiative

2012 – 2015 College of Arts & Sciences Tenure and Promotion Committee

2011 – 2014 Graduate Council Representative

2005 – 2015 College of Arts and Sciences College Council (sabbatical replacement)

2003 – 2014 Institutional Review Board (Member, Alternate)

2002 – 2019 Member of Nine Faculty Search Committees, Department of Psychology