Shaina Munin

Curriculum Vitae
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Professional Appointments

Senior Lecturer 2026 – present
Department of Psychology, Vanderbilt University

Visiting Assistant Professor 2025 – 2026
Department of Psychology, Ohio Wesleyan University

Education

PhD in Social & Personality Psychology May 2025
The University of Texas at Austin

BS in Neuroscience, second major in Psychology December 2019
Johns Hopkins University

Teaching

Teaching interests:

- General Psychology, Principles of Experimental Design, Quantitative Methods
- Emotion, Personality, Social Psychology, Professional Development in Psychology

Courses taught:

Vanderbilt University:

General Psychology Fall 2026
Lower level undergraduate course, in-person, 100 students

Being Human (A&S College Core) Fall 2026
Lower level undergraduate course, in-person, 15 students

Ohio Wesleyan University:

Introduction to Psychology (x4) Fall 2025 – Spring 2026
Lower level undergraduate course, in-person, 25–35 students per section

Personality Psychology (x2) Fall 2025 – Spring 2026
Lower level undergraduate course, in-person, 26–27 students per section

The University of Texas at Austin:

Psychological Methods and Statistics Lab (x4) Spring 2023 – Spring 2025
Upper level undergraduate course, in-person, 17–28 students per section

Fundamentals for Teaching Assistants (x2) Fall 2024
Graduate course, synchronous online, 7 students per section

Personality Summer 2024
Lower level undergraduate course, synchronous online, 7 students

Courses assisted:

Psychological Methods and Statistics, UT Austin Summer 2023
Personality, UT Austin (x3) Fall 2020 – Summer 2021
Intro to Hopkins: Arrive and Thrive, Johns Hopkins University Fall 2019

Guest lectures:

Sentiment Analysis (Text Analysis for Behavioral Data Science, UT Austin) 2024
Theories of Personality (Principles of Psychology, Southwestern University) 2023
Theories of Personality (Introduction to Psychology, UT Austin) 2023

Pedagogical training and certifications:

Course Design Collaborative, OWU Smith Center for Faculty Excellence 2026
Constructive Dialogue Institute Workshops, Ohio Wesleyan University
Teaching for truth: Dialogue in an age of misinformation 2026
The quiet classroom 2026
Early Career Mentorship Program, Society for the Teaching of Psychology 2025 – 2026
Attendee, Teaching of Personality and Social Psychology SPSP Preconference 2024 – 2026
Inclusive Course Design Institute (Audited), UT Austin Center for Teaching & Learning 2024
Advanced Teaching Preparation Certificate, UT Austin Center for Teaching & Learning 2024
APA Higher Ed Webinar: Why we've been teaching personality incorrectly all these years—and how to fix it 2024
Teaching Preparation Series Workshops, UT Austin Center for Teaching & Learning
Teaching practice: Try out a mini-lesson and get feedback 2024
Disability and access: How do I provide equal access and foster inclusion through academic accommodations? 2024
Facilitating discussions: How can I foster engagement to enhance student learning? 2024
ChatGPT/Generative AI: How can we create assignments that acknowledge the presence of these tools? 2023
Grading & feedback: How do I quickly and fairly assess student work? 2023
Lesson planning: How do I structure my time in the classroom? 2023

How we learn: How can I use pedagogical theory to make learning last? 2023
Inclusive Classrooms Leadership Certificate, UT Austin 2023
Supervised Teaching in Psychology (PSY 398T), UT Austin 2023

Awards and Honors

Professional Development Award, The University of Texas at Austin ($500) 2021 – 2025
Pennebaker Research Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin ($2,500) 2024
Pennebaker Research Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin ($2,823) 2023
Fellow, Summer Institute for Social and Personality Psychology (SISPP) 2023
Honorable Mention, NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program 2022
Pennebaker Research Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin ($200) 2021
G. Stanley Hall Prize, JHU Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences ($500) 2020
Departmental Honors, JHU Department of Neuroscience 2019
Dean's List, Johns Hopkins University 2019

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Munin, S., Jurkiewicz, O., Gueorguieva, E.S., Oveis, C., & Ong, D.C. (2026). What can I say to help you? Language associated with successful extrinsic emotion regulation. *Emotion, 26(4),* 849-859. https://doi.org/10.1037/emo0001631

Media Coverage: BPS Research Digest (2026)

Munin, S., Ong, D.C., Okland, S., Freedman, G., & Beer, J.S. (2025). Language measures correlate with other measures used to study emotion. *Communications Psychology, 3,* 25. https://doi.org/10.1038/s44271-025-00212-x

Munin, S., Neff, L.A., & Beer, J.S. (2024). Does age buffer or exacerbate the impact of sadness and anger on romantic relationships? *Collabra: Psychology, 10(1):* 92976. https://doi.org/10.1525/collabra.92976

Munin, S. & Beer, J.S. (2022). Does attention to one's own emotion relate to the emotional interpretation of other people's faces? *Collabra: Psychology, 8(1):* 34565. https://doi.org/10.1525/collabra.34565

Non Peer-Reviewed Publications and Broader Impact

Munin, S. (2026). Activity: Big 5 Traits in the Workplace. *P: The Online Newsletter for Personality Science.* https://www.personality-arp.org/activity-big-5/

Professional Presentations

Munin, S., Jurkiewicz, O., Gueorguieva, E.S., Oveis, C., & Ong, D.C. (2026, March). *What can I say to help you? Language associated with successful regulation of others' emotions.* Poster presented at the Society for Affective Science annual conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

Munin, S., Jurkiewicz, O., Gueorguieva, E.S., Oveis, C., & Ong, D.C. (2026, February). *What can I say to help you? Language associated with successful regulation of others' emotions.* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology annual convention, Chicago, IL.

Stewart, S.† & **Munin, S.** (2025, April). *Does the effect of language on therapeutic alliance depend on therapeutic modality?* Poster presented at the UT Austin Psychology Undergraduate Mentorship Program (PUMP) Symposium, Austin, TX.

Munin, S., Ong, D.C., Okland, S., Freedman, G., & Beer, J.S. (2025, April). *Self-report, behavior, and words: How does language relate to other measures used to study emotion?* Poster presented at the UT Austin Psychology Graduate Student Research Showcase, Austin, TX.

Munin, S., Ong, D.C., Okland, S., Freedman, G., & Beer, J.S. (2025, February). *Self-report, behavior, and words: How does language relate to other measures used to study emotion?* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology annual convention, Denver, CO.

Munin, S., Ong, D.C., Okland, S., Freedman, G., & Beer, J.S. (2025, February). *Self-report, behavior, and words: How does language relate to other measures used to study emotion?* Poster presented at the SPSP Emotion Preconference, Denver, CO.

Rajesh, M.† & **Munin, S.** (2024, April). *Does bringing up risky topics in conversations relate to a shared understanding between strangers?* Poster presented at the UT Austin Psychology Undergraduate Mentorship Program (PUMP) Symposium, Austin, TX.

Munin, S., Okland, S., & Beer, J.S. (2024, February). *The language of good conversationalists.* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology annual convention, San Diego, CA.

Munin, S., Neff, L.A., & Beer, J.S. (2023, October). *Does age impact the effects of negative emotions in romantic relationships?* Poster presented at the UT Austin Psychology Graduate Student Research Showcase, Austin, TX.

Munin, S., Neff, L.A., & Beer, J.S. (2023, February). *The impact of age on reactions to negative*

† Indicates mentored undergraduate student.

emotions in romantic relationships. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology annual convention, Atlanta, GA.

Munin, S. & Beer, J.S. (2022, February). *Does sensitivity to one's own feelings predict sensitivity to and memory for social sources of emotional information?* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology annual convention, San Francisco, CA.

Munin, S. & Beer, J.S. (2021, July). *How does concern about one's own emotion affect sensitivity to other people's emotion?* Poster presented at the Association for Research in Personality biennial conference.

Munin, S. & Egeth, H.E. (2021, February). *Stress and harm avoidance interact to modulate attentional capture.* Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology annual convention.

Munin, S. & Egeth, H.E. (2019, April). *Stress and harm avoidance interact to modulate attentional capture.* Poster presented at the Johns Hopkins University Day of Undergraduate Research in Engineering, the Arts & Humanities, Medicine and the Sciences (DREAMS), Baltimore, MD.

Mentorship

Undergraduate student mentorship:

Psychology Undergraduate Mentorship Program (PUMP), UT Austin

Sierra Stewart	2025
Maheshwari Rajesh	2024

Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP), UT Austin

Honorable Mention in the 2024 Texas Student Research Showdown (Group Submission)

Scottie Hutchens	2023 – 2024
Olivia Jiang	2023 – 2024
Angelica Powell	2023 – 2024
Grace Pratchett	2023 – 2024
Kaylyn Perry	2023 – 2024

DIVE (Diversity and Inclusiveness Via Education) in Psychology, UT Austin

Vanessa Avery	2023
Nicole Dao	2023

Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) Program, UT Austin

Kate Ybarra	2023

Self-Regulation Lab, UT Austin

Esther Ko	2022

Tatum Stevens	2022
Sally Giorgberidze	2022
Megan Do	2021 – 2022
Aryan Jain	2021 – 2022
Azwaa Ali	2021 – 2022
Sanjana Nagaraja	2021

Graduate student mentorship:

Psychology Peer Mentorship Program, UT Austin

Kayla Carta	2022 – 2023

Invited mentorship talks/panels:

Abstract Thinking: How to Write an Abstract for Your Research Project 2024 (x2)
PUMP (Psychology Undergraduate Mentorship Program), UT Austin

Mentor Match: How to Collaborate with My Mentor 2023
DIVE (Diversity and Inclusiveness Via Education) in Psychology, UT Austin

Research Environments and Tools 2022, 2023
Psychology Graduate Student Bootcamp, UT Austin

Graduate Student Panel (Invited Panelist) 2022
Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) Program, UT Austin

Applying to Psychology PhD Programs (Invited Panelist) 2022
IDEAS (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Society) Committee, UT Austin

Research Paths in Psychology 2021
First-Year Interest Group, UT Austin

Professional Activities

Curriculum support:

Graduate Assistant, School of Undergraduate Studies, UT Austin 2023
Assessed student learning outcomes in a foundational course (Psychological Methods and Statistics) by applying a novel rubric to student papers

Lead Teaching Assistant, Department of Psychology, UT Austin 2021
Produced instructional materials for a new summer course (Personality) in collaboration with instructor and course development administrative team

Ad hoc reviewer:

Applied Research in Quality of Life
Journal of Cultural Cognitive Science
Motivation and Emotion

University service:

Application Reviewer, SURE Program, UT Austin	2024, 2025
Volunteer, Psychology Graduate Student Diversity Committee, UT Austin	2021, 2022
Member, Psychology Graduate Student Association, UT Austin	2020 – 2021
Co-President, Psi Chi, Johns Hopkins University Chapter	2019
Co-Vice President, Psi Chi, Johns Hopkins University Chapter	2018 – 2019

Professional affiliations:

Association for Research in Personality (ARP)
Society for Affective Science (SAS)
Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)
Society for the Teaching of Psychology (STP)
Psi Chi, The International Honor Society in Psychology