

CURRICULUM VITAE

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ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2016 – present Assistant Professor, Educational Psychology, University of Nebraska–Lincoln, Lincoln, NE
- 2014 – 2016 Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Mt. Hope Family Center, Rochester, NY

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- PhD 2014 University of Rochester, Rochester, NY: Developmental Psychology
- 2013 Certificate in Quantitative Methods in Psychology, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY
- MA 2011 University of Rochester, Rochester, NY: Developmental Psychology
- BA 2006 Binghamton University, Vestal, NY: Psychology and Social Anthropology

SELECTED GRANT AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- 2018-2019 Research Council Faculty Seed Grant. *Parents' responses to adolescent peer victimization: Finding out what works*. University of Nebraska – Lincoln. \$10,000
- 2017-2018 Layman Seed Grant. *Early Adolescents Coping with Peer Threat: Insecurity as a Risk Factor for Psychopathology*. University of Nebraska – Lincoln. \$10,000
- 2015 – 2016 Post-Doctoral Research Fellow. *Emotional Processes in Families: New Methods of Capturing Multiple Levels of Analysis*. National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) Grant 5 R01 HD060789
- 2012 – 2015 Project Director. *An Ethological Analysis of Children's Profiles of Security in Peer Contexts*. NICHD Grant R21 HD068326
- 2010 – 2012 Principal Investigator. *Research Fellowship*. Owen F. Aldis Scholarship, International Society for Human Ethology: \$8,000 plus international travel costs

- 2006 – 2013 Graduate Research Assistant. *Family Processes, Emotional Security, and Adolescent Development*. National Institute of Mental Health Grant 2R01 MH57318
- 2007 – 2010 Collaborating Scientist. *Studying Peer Relationships and Developmental Psychopathology in Childhood*.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

- Davies, P. T., Parry, L., Bascoe, S. M., **Martin, M. J.**, & Cummings, E. M. (in press). Children's vulnerability to interparental conflict: The protective role of sibling relationship quality. *Child Development*.
- Davies, P. T., **Martin, M. J.**, & Cummings, E. M., & Cicchetti, D. (2018). Interparental conflict and children's social problems: Insecurity and friendship affiliation as cascading mediators. *Developmental Psychology*, 54, 83-97.
- Martin M. J.**, Sturge-Apple, M. L., Davies, P. T., & Romero, C. V. (2017). Mothers' implicit representations of their adolescent as unlovable: Explanatory factor linking family conflict and harsh parenting. *Developmental Psychology*, 53, 1344-1355.
- Martin, M. J.**, Davies, P. T., Cummings, E. M., & Cicchetti, D. (2017). The mediating roles of cortisol reactivity and executive functioning difficulties in the pathways between childhood histories of emotional insecurity and adolescence school problems. *Development and Psychopathology*, 29, 1483-1498.
- Meyers, Z. R., Swearer, S. M., **Martin, M. J.**, Palacios, R. (2017). Cyberbullying and traditional Bullying: The experiences of poly-victimization among diverse youth. *International Journal of Technoethics*, 8, 42-60.
- Martin, M. J.**, Sturge-Apple, M. L., Davies, P. T., Romero, C. V., & Buckholz, A. (2017). A process model of the implications of spillover from coparenting conflicts into the parent-child attachment relationship in adolescence. *Development and Psychopathology*, 29, 417-431.
- Martin, M. J.**, Davies, P. T., & Cummings, E. M. (2017). Distinguishing attachment and affiliation in early adolescents' narrative descriptions of their best friendship. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, 27, 644-660.
- Davies, P. T., **Martin, M. J.**, Sturge-Apple M. L., Ripple, M. T., & Cicchetti, D. (2016). The distinctive sequelae of children's coping with interparental conflict: Testing the reformulated emotional security theory. *Developmental Psychology*, 52, 1646-1665.

- Swearer, S. M., **Martin, M. J.**, Brackett, M., & Palacios, R. A. (2016). Bullying intervention in adolescence: The intersection of legislation, policies, and behavioral change. *Adolescent Research Review, 4*, 1-13.
- Davies, P. T., Hentges, R. F., Coe, J. L., **Martin, M. J.**, Sturge-Apple, M. L., & Cummings, E. M. (2016). The multiple faces of interparental conflict: Implications for cascades of children's insecurity and externalizing problems. *Journal of Abnormal Psychology, 125*, 664-678.
- Davies, P. T., **Martin, M. J.**, Coe, J. L., & Cummings, E. M. (2016). Transactional cascades of destructive interparental conflict, children's emotional insecurity, and psychological problems across childhood and adolescence. *Development and Psychopathology, 28*, 653-671.
- Davies, P. T., Coe, J. L., **Martin, M. J.**, & Sturge-Apple, M. L. (2015). The developmental costs and benefits of children's involvement in interparental conflicts. *Developmental Psychology, 51*, 1026-1047.
- Davies, P. T. & **Martin, M. J.** (2014). Children's coping and adjustment in high conflict homes: The reformulation of emotional security theory. *Child Development Perspectives, 8*, 242-249.
- Martin, M. J.**, Davies, P. T., & MacNeill, L. A. (2014). Social defense: An evolutionary-developmental model of children's strategies for coping with threat in the peer group. *Evolutionary Psychology, 12*, 364-385.
- Davies, P. T. & **Martin, M. J.** (2013). The reformulation of emotional security theory: The role of children's social defense in developmental psychopathology. *Development and Psychopathology, 25*, 1435-1454.
- Davies, P. T., **Martin, M. J.**, & Cicchetti, D. (2012). Delineating the sequelae of destructive and constructive interparental conflict for children within an evolutionary framework. *Developmental Psychology, 48*, 939-955.
- Davies, P. T., Cicchetti, D., & **Martin, M. J.** (2012). Towards greater specificity in identifying associations among interparental aggression, child emotional reactivity to conflict, and child problems. *Child Development, 83*, 1789-1804.
- Sturge-Apple, M., Davies, P. T., **Martin, M. J.**, & Hentges, R. (2012). An examination of the impact of harsh parenting contexts on children's adaptation within an evolutionary framework. *Developmental Psychology, 48*, 791-805.
- Davies, P.T., Sturge-Apple, M., **Woitach, M. J.**, & Cummings, E. M. (2009). A process analysis of the transmission of distress from interparental conflict to parenting: Adult relationship security as an explanatory mechanism. *Developmental Psychology, 45*, 1781-1773.

Davies, P. T., **Woitach, M. J.**, Winter, M. A., & Cummings, E. M. (2008). Children's insecure representations of the interparental relationship and their school adjustment: The mediating role of attention difficulties. *Child Development, 79*, 1570-1582.

Davies, P. T. & **Woitach, M. J.** (2008). Children's emotional security in the interparental relationship. *Current Directions in Psychological Science, 17*, 269-274.

Manuscripts Under Review

Martin, M. J., Sturge-Apple, M. L., Davies, P. T., & Gutierrez, G. (under review). Testing the relative roles of adolescent attachment behavior and hostility in the association between parent-adolescent conflict and adjustment.

Li, Z., Sturge-Apple, M. L., **Martin, M. J.**, & Davies, P. T. (under review). Interactive effects of family instability and adolescent stress reactivity on externalizing and internalizing problems.

Sturge-Apple, M. L., Li, Z., **Martin, M. J.**, & Davies, P. T. (under review). Mothers' and fathers' self-regulation capacity, dysfunctional attributions and hostile parenting during early adolescence: A process-oriented approach.

Davies, P. T., Thompson, M. J., Coe, J. L., Sturge-Apple, M. L., & **Martin, M. J.** (under review). Life history mechanisms as mediators of the association between caregiver intimate relationship instability and children's externalizing symptoms.

Book Chapters

Hentges, R. F. & **Martin, M. J.** (under review). Developmental perspectives on parenting. In V. Shackelford & T. Shackelford (Eds.), *The Oxford handbook on evolutionary psychology and parenting*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

Davies, P. T., **Martin, M. J.**, & Sturge-Apple, M. L. (2016). Emotional security theory and developmental psychopathology. In D. Cicchetti (Ed.), *Developmental psychopathology: Theory and method* (3rd ed., Vol. 1, pp. 199–264). New York, NY: Wiley.

Davies, P. T., Sturge-Apple, M. J., & **Martin, M. J.** (2013). Family discord and child health: An emotional security formulation. In N. Landale, S. M. McHale, & A. Booth (Eds.), *Families and child health* (Vol. 3, pp. 54–73). New York, NY: Springer.

Martin, M. J., Bascoe, S. M., & Davies, P. T. (2011). Family relations. In B. B. Brown & M. Printstein (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of adolescence* (Vol. 2, pp. 84–94). Maryland Heights, MO: Elsevier.

REPRINTED in J. Stein (Ed.), *Reference Module in Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Psychology* (2017). Oxford, UK: Elsevier.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2015 Outstanding Dissertation Award – Commendation, University of Rochester

2014 Edward Curtis Peck Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Rochester

- 2014 Emerging Scholar Travel Award, Society for Research on Adolescence
- 2013 Emory Cowen Award for Best Publication by a Graduate Student, University of Rochester
- 2012 Helen and Vincent Nowlis Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Rochester
- 2010 Alfred Baldwin Award for Excellence in Research, University of Rochester

PRESENTATIONS

**Students authors are italicized*

Invited Talks

- 2018 *Presenting research to the public.* Graduate Professional Development Series Fall 2018, University of Nebraska – Lincoln.
- 2018 *Bullying prevention, intervention, and strategies for change.* The Tenth Annual Child Welfare Conference, University of Nebraska – Kearney.
- 2017 *Profile-based observational coding: Capturing children's patterns of responding to interpersonal threat.* The Methodology Application Series. The Nebraska Academy for Methodology, Analytics, and Psychometrics, University of Nebraska – Lincoln.

Papers Presented

- Martin, M. J.**, Sturge-Apple, M. L., Davies, P. T., & *Gutierrez, G.* (2018, April). Beyond conflict: The unique role for attachment behavior in the link between parent-adolescent conflict and adolescent adjustment. Paper presented at the biennial Society for Research in Adolescence Conference, Minneapolis, MN. [Symposium Chair]
- Martin, M. J.**, *Gutierrez, G.*, Sturge-Apple, M. L., & Davies, P. T., (2017, August). Comparing maternal secure base and safe haven support in protecting adolescents against the negative effects of peer victimization. Paper presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Washington, DC.
- Garcia, G. A.*, **Martin, M. J.**, Swearer, S. M., *Zweifel, M.*, *Damme, A. M.*, & *Palacios, R. A.* (2017, August). Student support explains associations between bullying/teasing and student engagement for heterosexual and LGBTQ adolescents. Paper presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Washington, DC.
- Martin, M. J.**, Sturge-Apple, M. L., Romero, C. V., & Davies, P. T., (2016, March). Maternal implicit attitudes following conflict increase harsh parenting in adolescence. Paper presented at the biennial Society for Research in Adolescence Conference, Baltimore, MD. [Symposium Chair]
- Martin, M. J.**, Davies, P. T., Coe, J. L., & Cicchetti, D. (2015, March). Social defense, resource control, and social competence in childhood: An evolutionary analysis. Paper presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Davies, P. T., **Martin, M. J.**, & Cummings, E. M. (2015, March). Children's vulnerability to parental conflict: Cascading processes of emotional insecurity and disrupted friendship affiliation. Paper presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Martin, M. J., Sturge-Apple, M. L., Davies, P. T., & E.M. Cummings (2014, March). Measuring attachment and affiliation in adolescents' internal working models of best friends. Paper presented at the biennial Society for Research in Adolescence Conference, Austin, TX.

Martin, M. J., Davies, P. T., & Cicchetti, D. (2012, August). The social defense system and children's response to interpersonal threat: Progress and pitfalls. Paper presented at the biennial conference of the International Society for Human Ethology, Vienna, Austria.

Martin, M. J., Davies, P. T., & Cummings, E. M. (2011, March). Prolonged insecurity in the marital relationship as a risk factor for neuropsychological impairments in early adolescence. Paper presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Montréal, Canada.

Posters Presented

Patnode, C., Fricke, Q., Thornbrugh, M. & Martin, M. J. (2018, August). Comparing the influence of parental response methods to peer victimization on child outcomes. Poster presented at the annual University of Nebraska - Lincoln Undergraduate Research Fair, Lincoln, NE.

Martin, M. J., *Gutierrez G.*, Sturge-Apple, M. L. & Davies, P. T. (2018, April). Comparing maternal safe haven and secure base support as protective factors against adolescent internalizing problems. Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Adolescence Conference, Minneapolis, MN.

Martin, M. J., Swearer, S. M., *Palacios, R. A., Gutierrez G.* (2017, November). Coming out: Bravery as a protective factor for LGBQ youth. Poster presented at the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies 51st Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.

Myers, Z. R., Martin, M. J., & Swearer, S. M. (2017, November). With a little help from my friends: Peer support as protection for cyber-victimized LGBTQ youth. Poster presented at the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies 51st Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.

Damme, A. M., Swearer, S., Palmon, S., & Martin, M. J. (2017). Predicting school climate: Effects of traditional discipline and bullying. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

MacNeill, L. A., Martin, M. J., Davies, P. T., & Cummings, E. M. (2013). Depressive symptoms and perceptions of attachment in friendships A behavioral systems approach. Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Seattle, WA.

Martin, M. J., Davies, P. T., *MacNeill, L. A.*, Sturge-Apple, M. L., & Cicchetti, D. (2013, April). Coping with interpersonal threat in the peer group: The social defense system.

Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Seattle, WA.

Martin, M. J., Davies, P. T., & *MacNeill, L. A.* (2013, April). Defining “function” in adolescent friendship narratives: Applying an ethological behavioral systems approach. Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Seattle, WA.

Martin, M. J., Davies, P. T., & Cummings, E. M. (2011, March). A cascade model of peer rejection, child aggression, and peer representations. Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Montréal, Canada.

Martin, M. J., Davies, P. T., & Cummings, E. M. (2011, March). Delineating attachment and affiliative functions in adolescent friendship narratives. Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Montréal, Canada.

Bascoe, S. M., **Woitach, M. J.,** Davies, P. T., & Cummings, E. M. (April, 2009). Identifying the nature and consequences of children’s profiles of reactivity in peer contexts. Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Denver, CO.

Woitach, M. J., Bascoe, S. M., Davies, P. T., Clutz, B. D., Gold, R., Gasaway, K. D., & Cummings, E. M. (April, 2009). Representations of the marital relationship and attention difficulties: Peer representations as a mediator. Poster presented at the biennial Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Denver, CO.

Woitach, M. J., Bascoe, S. M., George, R. M., Davies, P. T., & Cummings, E. M. (April, 2008). Children’s reactivity to peer transgressions and their psychological adjustment: An evolutionary based analysis. Poster presented at the biennial Conference on Human Development, Indianapolis, IN.

Woitach, M. J., Clutz, B. D., Gasaway, K. D., Davies, P. T., Winter, M. A., & Cummings, E. M. (April, 2008). Attention difficulties as mediators of the relationship between insecure representations of the interparental relationship and adjustment to elementary school. Poster presented at the biennial Conference on Human Development, Indianapolis, IN.

AD HOC REVIEWING

Development and Psychopathology
Developmental Psychology
Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology
Journal of Family Psychology
Journal of Research on Adolescence
Journal of School Psychology
Journal of Educational Psychology

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS

Member since
2018 Bullying Research Network

2013 American Psychological Association
2013 Society for Research on Adolescence
2010 International Society for Human Ethology
2009 Human Behavior and Evolution Society
2006 Society for Research in Child Development
2005 Phi Beta Kappa
2005 Golden Key International Honour Society
2004 Psi Chi National Honors Society

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

University of Nebraska – Lincoln (2016 to present)

Undergraduate

Developmental Psychopathology EDPS 498 (Seminar Course)
Psychology of Adolescence EDPS 451 (Lecture Course)

Graduate

Psychopathological Disorders of Childhood and Adolescence EDPS 869 (Core Course)
Psychology of Adolescence EDPS 851 (Lecture Course)
Research Methods in Educational Psychology EDPS 991 (Seminar Course)
Developmental Psychopathology EPDS 898 (Seminar Course)

University of Rochester (2009 - 2015)

Exploring Research in Family Psychology I (Undergraduate Seminar Course)
Introduction to Summer Teaching Workshop Series (Graduate Summer Course)

UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE THESES (2016-Present)

Graduate Master's Theses

McGinnis, M. Colin (2017). Effects of implicit bias on teachers' expectations of student relationships.

UNIVERSITY SERVICES AND COMMITTEES

University of Nebraska – Lincoln

2018- Departmental Executive Committee Member
2016-17 Nebraska Academy of Early Childhood Research (NAECR) Steering Committee
2017- Development and Learning Sciences Student Organization Faculty Advisor

University of Rochester

2014-15 Graduate Student Representative & Faculty Liason
2009-11 Developmental Psychopathology Colloquium Committee
2008-09 Department Website Restructure Committee

SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES

2016 Print Media. *The Atlantic, HowStuffWorks.com, Daughters.com*
2017 Print Media. *Lifehacker.com*

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

2018 Bullying: What it is and what you can do. Presented at *Safe Travels: A program for young people and families*. Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, NE.

THESIS AND DISSERTATION RESEARCH

Martin, M. J. (2011). The social information processing of peer-group threat and social adjustment: A pattern-based approach to SIP from an evolutionary framework. Unpublished master's thesis, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY. (Thesis chair: Patrick T. Davies).

Martin, M. J. (2014). Delineating the Functions of Attachment and Affiliation in Early Adolescents' Internal Working Models of their Best Friendships. Unpublished doctoral dissertation, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY. (Dissertation chair: Patrick T. Davies). [Martin, Davies, & Cummings, 2017]

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES [available upon request]