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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, UABANA-CHAMPAIGN Cognitive neuroscience Ph.D. program, Department of Psychology <i>Advisor</i> : Florin Dolcos, Ph.D.	CHAMPAIGN, IL Fall 2013 – Present
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, UABANA-CHAMPAIGN M.S. in Psychology <i>Thesis Title</i> : Optimism and the Brain: Trait Optimism Mediates the Protective Role of Orbitofrontal Cortex Gray Matter Volume Against Anxiety <i>Advisor</i> : Florin Dolcos, Ph.D.	CHAMPAIGN, IL Fall 2013 – Spring 2015
CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG B.A. in Psychology <i>Advisor</i> : Helene H. Fung, Ph.D.	HONG KONG Fall 2009 – Spring 2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2019 Spring, 2018 Fall	PSYC220 Intro to Psychology <i>Teaching Assistant - Instructor</i> Lectured three times per week for two classes (~50 students) for each semester, led discussion session throughout the semester, grading homework, reviewing for exam.	<i>University of Illinois Champaign, IL</i>
2018 Spring, 2016 Spring	PSYC220 Images of the Mind (Dr. Diane Beck) <i>Teaching Assistant - Grading</i>	<i>University of Illinois Champaign, IL</i>
2017 Fall, 2015 Spring & Fall	PSYC204 Intro to Brain and Cognition (Dr. Sanda Dolcos) <i>Teaching Assistant - Grading</i>	<i>University of Illinois Champaign, IL</i>
2016 Fall, 2017 Spring	PSYC407 Statistical Methods I & II (Dr. Gabriele Gratton) <i>Teaching Assistant*</i> Led weekly lab sessions for this required statistics course for psychology graduate students. Duties included recapitulating lecture contents, discussing homework problems, reviewing for exam. * Rated “outstanding” by students	<i>University of Illinois Champaign, IL</i>
2016 Spring 2015 Spring & Fall	PSYC404 Cognitive Neuroscience (Dr. Sanda Dolcos) <i>Teaching Assistant - Grading</i>	<i>University of Illinois Champaign, IL</i>

PUBLICATIONS

Hu, Y., Moore, M., Bertels, Z., Phan, K. L., Dolcos, F., & Dolcos, S. (2018). Smaller amygdala volume and increased neuroticism predict anxiety symptoms in healthy subjects: A volumetric approach using manual tracing. *Neuropsychologia*.

Hu, Y. & Dolcos, S. (2017). Trait Anxiety Mediates the Link between Inferior Frontal Cortex Volume and Negative Affective Bias in Healthy Adults. *Social, Cognitive, and Affective Neuroscience*. 12(5):775-782. doi: 10.1093/scan/nsx008.

Moore, M., Jordan, A.D., **Hu, Y.**, Kragel, J.E., Dolcos, S., & Dolcos, F. (2016). Localized or Diffuse: The Link between Prefrontal Cortex Volume and Cognitive Reappraisal. 11:8, 1317-1325. doi:10.1093/scan/nsw043

Dolcos*, S., **Hu***, Y., Jordan, D.A., Moore, M., & Dolcos, F. (2016). Optimism and the Brain: Trait Optimism Mediates the Protective Role of the Orbitofrontal Cortex Gray Matter Volume against Anxiety. *Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience*, 11:2, 263-271; doi: 10.1093/scan/nsv106. *shared first authorship.

Moore, M., **Hu, Y.**, Woo, S., O'Hearn, D., Jordan, A. D., Dolcos, S., & Dolcos, F. (2014). A comprehensive protocol for manual segmentation of the medial temporal lobe structures. *Journal of Visualized Experiments* (89). doi: 10.3791/50991

PRESENTATIONS

Hu, Y., Williams C., Berenbaum, H., Dolcos, F., & Dolcos, S. (March, 2018). Translating Cognitive Neuroscience Findings to Benefits Outside the Lab: Promoting Resilience in Student Veterans through a Novel Cognitive-Emotional Intervention. Poster presented at the 25th Annual Meeting of Cognitive Neuroscience Society, Boston, MA.

Hu, Y., Bertels, Z., Olivari, B., Chaves, A., Moore, M., Dolcos, S., & Dolcos, F. (September, 2016) Smaller Amygdala Volume and Increased Neuroticism Predict Anxiety Symptoms in Healthy Subjects: A Volumetric Approach Using Manual Tracing. Poster presented at the 56th Annual Meeting of the Society for Psychophysiological Research, Minneapolis, MN.

Hu, Y., Jordan, A., Dolcos, S., & Dolcos, F. (September, 2015). Trait anxiety mediates the link between inferior frontal cortex volume and negative bias in healthy participants. Poster presented at the 55th Annual Meeting of the Society for Psychophysiological Research, Seattle, WA.

Hu, Y., Moore, M., Jordan, A., & Dolcos, S. (April, 2014). Trait optimism mediates the relationship between grey matter volume in the orbitofrontal cortex and resilience to affective dysregulation. Poster presented at the the 7th Annual Meeting of the Social & Affective Neuroscience Society, Denver, CO.

Moore, M., **Hu, Y.**, Woo, S., Jordan, A., Dolcos, F., & Dolcos, S. (April, 2013). Relationships between regions of emotion processing network and personality traits indexing emotional arousability, expressivity, and control: A volumetric approach. Poster presented at the 20th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, San Francisco, CA.

Dolcos, S., **Hu, Y.**, Jordan, A., Whoo, S., & Dolcos, F. (April, 2013). Differential Relationships of Affective and Motivational Styles with Frontal Lobe Gray Matter Volumes. Poster presented at the 20th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, San Francisco, CA.

OUTREACH EXPERIENCE

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Brain Awareness Day: Actively volunteering in annual Brain Awareness Day events to engage children and adolescents in Champaign-Urbana area in fun activities in brain science. Held biannually.

Beckman Open House: Actively taking part in this annual event at Beckman Institute, introducing latest scientific finding in our lab to our local community. Held biannually.