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EDUCATION

City, University of London, London, UK
Ph.D., Psychology (2018).
Advisor: Philip Corr, PhD

University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA
M.S., Experimental Psychology (2000).
Minor: Quantitative Psychology
Advisor: Steve Gangestad, PhD

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA
B.A., Psychology (1996)
Psi Chi, University Honors
Research Lab Advisor: David Buss, PhD

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

The Pennsylvania State University, Beaver Campus
Full Teaching Professor of Psychology (2019 – present)
Associate Teaching Professor of Psychology (2018 – 2019)
Assistant Teaching Professor of Psychology (2017 – 2018)
Senior Instructor of Psychology (2012 – 2017)
Instructor of Psychology (2004 – 2012)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Fellow at the Centre for Urban Design and Mental Health, London, UK (2019 – present)
Society for the Teaching of Psychology International Twitter Poster Conference 1st Place (2017)
Penn State Beaver Advisory Board Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award (2012)
University Honors and Psi Chi Honor Society, University of Michigan (1996)

PUBLICATIONS

Cunic, D., & **Bennett, K.** (in press). Birth order. In Shackelford, T.K., & Weekes-Shackelford, V.A. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*. Springer, Cham.

Bennett, K. (2019). Ancestral threats vs. modern threats. In Shackelford, T.K., & Weekes-Shackelford, V. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-16999-6_2997-1

Bennett, K. (2019). Gordon Orians. In Shackelford, T.K., & Weekes-Shackelford, V. (Eds.),

Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-16999-6_2931-1

Bennett, K. (2019). Landscape preferences: Climate and weather. In Shackelford, T.K., & Weekes-Shackelford, V. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-16999-6_3725-1

Bennett, K. (2019). Natural vs. artificial environments. In Shackelford, T.K., & Weekes-Shackelford, V. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-16999-6_2928-1

Bennett, K. (2019). Psychological science on the eve of the Fourth Transformation: Will spatial computing make us better citizens? London: *Conscious Cities Anthology 2019: Science-Informed Architecture and Urbanism*. ISSN 2514-6815 DOI:10.33797/CCA19.03

Bennett, K. (2019). The savanna hypothesis and landscape preferences. In Shackelford, T.K., & Weekes-Shackelford, V.A. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-16999-6_3726-1

Bennett, K. (2018). Delivering excellent course content from the outset: Guiding graduate students and young college faculty through the process of first-time teaching. *The National Teaching and Learning Forum, 27(3)*, 7-9.

Bennett, K. (2018). Environment of evolutionary adaptedness (EEA). In Zeigler-Hill, V., & Shackelford, T.K. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Personality and Individual Differences*. Springer International Publishing AG.

Bennett, K. (2018). Teaching the Monty Hall dilemma to explore decision-making, probability, and regret in behavioral science classrooms. *International Journal for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning*, 12 (2), 1-7.

Bennett, K., Gualtieri, T., & Kazmierczyk, B. (2018). Undoing solitary urban design: A review of risk factors and mental health outcomes associated with living in social isolation. *Journal of Urban Design and Mental Health, 4*:*7*.

Bennett, K. (2017). Adaptive function of aggression. In Zeigler-Hill, V., & Shackelford, T.K. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Personality and Individual Differences*. Springer International Publishing AG.

Schmitt, D. P., …, **Bennett, K. L.** *et al.* (2017). Narcissism and the strategic pursuit of short-term mating: Universal links across 11 world regions of the International Sexuality Description Project-2. *Psychological Topics, 26,* 89-137.

Bennett, K. L. (2012). *Jealousy's design: Maladaptive trait or psychological solution?;* 108 pages (hardcover/paperback). LAP Lambert Academic Publishing (SaarbrÜcken, Germany) (2012) ISBN-10: 3659214086; ISBN-13: 978-3659214080.

Schmitt, D. P., Allik, J., McCrae, R. R., Benet-Martinez, V., Alcalay, L., Ault, L., Austers, I., **Bennett, K. L.,** *et al.* (2007). The geographic distribution of big five personality traits: Patterns and profiles of human self-description across 56 nations. *Journal of Cross Cultural Psychology, 38,* 173-212.

Schmitt, D. P., Alcalay, L. M., Allik, J., Angleitner, A., Ault, L., Austers, I., **Bennett, K. L.,** *et al.* (2004).

Patterns and universals of mate poaching across 53 nations: The effects of sex, culture, and personality on romantically attracting another person's partner. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 86,* 560-584.

Schmitt, D. P., Alcalay, L., Allensworth, M., Allik, J., Ault, L., Austers, I., **Bennett, K. L.,** *et al.* (2004). Patterns and universals of adult romantic attachment across 62 cultural regions: Are models of self and other pancultural constructs? *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology, 35,* 367-402.

Bennett, K. L. (2004). How to start teaching a tough course: Dry organization vs. excitement on the first day of class. *College Teaching, 52,* 106.

Schmitt, D. P., Alcalay, L, M., Allik, J., Ault, L., Austers, I., **Bennett, K. L.,** *et al.* (2003). Universal sex differences in the desire for sexual variety: Tests from 52 nations, 6 continents, and 13 islands. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 85,* 85-104.

Schmitt, D. P., Alcalay, L., Allensworth, M., Allik, J., Ault, L., Austers, I., **Bennett, K. L.,** *et al.* (2003). Are men universally more dismissing than women? Gender differences in romantic attachment across 62 cultural regions. *Personal Relationships, 10,* 309-333.

Shackelford, T. K., Buss, D. M., & **Bennett, K.** (2002). Forgiveness or break up: Sex differences in responses to a partner's infidelity. *Cognition & Emotion, 16,* 299-307.

Gangestad, S. W., **Bennett, K. L.,** & Thornhill, R. (2001). A latent variable model of developmental instability in relation to men's sexual behaviour. *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London, B., 268,* 1677-1684.

Buss, D. M., Shackelford, T. K., Kirkpatrick, L. A., Choe, J. C., Lim, H. K., Hasegawa, M. H., Hasegawa, T., & **Bennett, K.** (1999). Jealousy and the nature of beliefs about infidelity: Tests of competing hypotheses about sex differences in the United States, Korea, and Japan. *Personal Relationships, 6,* 125-150.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Bennett, K. (2019, August). *Making decisions about locations inside built environments: Is conscientiousness a front-row trait?* Paper presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Chicago.

Bennett, K. (2019, March). *Why is conscientiousness a front-row trait? Personality assessment, location preferences, and making a map of big five tendencies inside built environments.* Paper presented at the Society for Personality Assessment Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA.

Bennett, K. (2018, November). *Teaching with touchable psychology in a digital age: Effective application of props in the behavioral science classroom.* Poster presented at the Society for the Teaching of Psychology (STP) International Twitter Poster Conference (ITPC) #stp18poster.

Bennett, K. (2017, November). *Creating and integrating augmented reality (AR) into the psychology learning environments of tomorrow*. Poster presented at the Society for the Teaching of Psychology (STP) International Twitter Poster Conference (ITPC) #stp17poster.

Bennett, K. (2017, March). *Geographical decision making as a function of birth order and gender*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, Massachusetts.

Bennett, K. (2016, March). *Measuring classroom personality and seat location preferences using a five-factor trait model*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, New York, New York.

Bennett, K. (2013, May). *Personality in the classroom: Student row preferences and the NEO-FFI.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society Teaching Institute, Washington, DC.

Bennett, K. (2012, January). *Personality and seat preference: Classroom distribution of big five personality traits*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, St. Petersburg, Florida.

Bennett, K. (2009, May). *Giving psychology its props: Effective teaching gadgets for larger classes.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, San Francisco, California.

Bennett, K. (2008, May). *Sibling support in the event of an infidelity: Brother or sister?* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, Chicago, Illinois.

Bennett, K. (2007, May). *Birth order and emotional support in responses to infidelity.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, Washington, DC.

Bennett, K. (2006, May). *Evaluating the effects of web-based outlines in a social psychology course.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society Teaching Institute, New York, NY.

Bennett, K. (2005, June). *Thinking about being unfaithful? Guilt patterns in romantic relationships.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Austin, Texas.

Bennett, K. (2004, May). *Beyond the game show: Applying the Monty Hall dilemma in the classroom.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society Teaching Institute, Chicago, Illinois.

Bennett, K. (2003, June). *Infidelity in romantic relationships: What are people feeling guilty about?* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Bennett, K. (2003, June). *Romantic Guilt and Relationship Commitment Experience*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, Atlanta, Georgia.

Bennett, K. (2002, June). *Built for guilt: Emotional responses to infidelity*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Bennett, K. (2001, June). *Emotional responses to infidelity*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, London, UK.

Bennett, K. (2000, June). *Guilt regarding sexual and emotional infidelity.* Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Amherst, Massachusetts.

INTERNAL TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

Bennett, K. (2020, January). *Making the most out of interactions between students and faculty.* Discussion with the Penn State Beaver Faculty.

Bennett, K. (2019, November). *How to best de-escalate situations with students who are showing significant distress*. Discussion with the Penn State Beaver Academic Affairs and Business Services teams.

Bennett, K. (2018, September). *What's the big deal with augmented reality? Psychology, education, and the power of holographic computing*. The Annual School Counselor Luncheon hosted by Penn State Beaver.

Bennett, K. (2016, March). *The shocking truth about your personality and where you sit: Five secrets you may not know.* Penn State Beaver Faculty Speaker Series.

Bennett, K. (2011, March). *Science, perception, and reality: What do sensory illusions tell us about the mind?* Penn State Beaver Faculty Speaker Series.

Bennett, K. (2006, October). *The biology and behavior behind the bodily scent of symmetrical males*. Invited talk at Penn State Beaver Brown Bag Faculty Research Seminar.

INTERNAL GRANTS AWARDED

Bennett, K. (2019). Professional Development Grant, Academic Affairs. *American Psychological Association National Convention in Washington, DC August 2020* ($1400).

Bennett, K. (2019). Professional Development Grant, Academic Affairs. *Urban Design for Mental Health: Day 4 at the Conscious Cities Festival* ($1300).

Bennett, K. (2018). Professional Development Grant/Teaching Development Grant, Academic Affairs. *Classroom Augmented Reality Headsets for Human Factors Psychology* ($3000).

Bennett, K. (2017). Teaching Development Grant, Academic Affairs. *Building Augmented Reality (AR) into the Psychology Learning Environments of Tomorrow* ($3000).

Bennett, K. (2015). Professional Development Grant, Academic Affairs. *The Geographical Distribution of Psychological Traits* ($1,100).

Bennett, K. (2005 – 2015: cumulative total > $15,000). Travel Grants, Academic Affairs, Penn State Beaver, to present research at conferences listed above.

EXTERNAL GRANTS AWARDED

Bennett, K. (2019, March). Society for Personality Assessment Early Career Travel Grant for travel to annual conference in New Orleans, LA ($500).

RESEARCH LAB

Personality and Human Performance Lab (PHPL): *A multidisciplinary research group for the study of preferences, decision-making, and performance.* Penn State Beaver (2012–present).

- Social-personality science at the intersection of urban design and mental health.
- Human factors, evolutionary adaptation, augmented and mixed reality (AR, MR).
- Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL), humor, and psychopathy.

PUBLICATION IMPACT*

Citations = 3,335
h-index = 10
i10-index = 10
**per Google Scholar, 15 January 2020*

POPULAR SCIENCE WRITING

Bennett, K. (2019, November 25). *What triggers your anxiety—classic old threats or new ones?* Article published by *Buzzfeed,* an internet media and news company, New York, NY.

Bennett, K. (2019, January 3). *Not too big, not too small—the goldilocks principle applied to group size.* Article published by *Medium,* an online publishing platform for social journalism.

Bennett, K. (2019, January 2). *How our ancestral past messes with us every day.* Article published by *Medium,* an online publishing platform for social journalism.

Bennett, K. (2019, January 2). *What is augmented reality? And how may it impact you?* Article published by *Medium,* an online publishing platform for social journalism.

Bennett, K. (2018, October 11). *Urban space, psychological well-being, and the quest to design healthier cities.* Article published by *Medium,* an online publishing platform for social journalism.

Bennett, K. (2018, October 7). *Four questions to ask before designing the personality of tomorrow's conscious cities*. Article published by *Data Driven Investor (DDI),* an online magazine covering technology, finance, and society.

Bennett, K. *(2018, August 31). Serenity now! Is there room in the modern urban landscape to carve out special spaces for venting anger?* Article published by *Sanity and Urbanity*, an online magazine hosted by The Centre for Urban Design and Mental Health, London, UK.

Bennett, K. (2018, August 27). *6 reasons why you insist on playing the lottery even though you never win*. Article published by *BuzzFeed,* an internet media and news company, New York, NY.

Bennett, K. (2018, August 25). *Will the new social robots in tomorrow's conscious cities rely on the same old personality traits?* Article published by *Brainwaves*, an online magazine hosted by Conscious Cities, London, UK.

Bennett, K. (2017, November 15). *No, turkey doesn't make you sleepy – but it may bring more trust to your Thanksgiving table.* Article originally published in *The Conversation*. Republished in Chicago Tribune-Review, San Francisco Chronicle, Popular Science, Business Insider, Salon.com, Houston Chronicle, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Mercury News (San Jose, CA), Maui news, KING-TV online (Seattle, WA), 9News-TV online (Denver, CO), WWL-TV online (New Orleans, LA), 12News-TV online (Phoenix, AZ), WUSA-TV online (Washington, DC), and 50+ online and print news outlets.

Bennett, K. (2015 – present). *Psychology Today* web magazine column launched in November 2015*: Modern Minds: Fresh Takes on Society, Culture, and the Science of Personality Psychology.* New York, NY. https://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/modern-minds
(2015 – present: 51 posted articles, 520,000+ page views).

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

Elaine Reyes, CGTN, China 24 (2019, January 25).
Why are anger rooms so popular? (Live Television Interview via satellite to Washington D.C.).

Carolina Partners in Mental HealthCare (2018, December 12).
Are rage rooms helpful? CPMH providers weigh in (research mentioned in article).

Michael Rosenthal, City University of New York (CUNY) Audiofiles Podcast (2018, November 28) Urban Loneliness (audio interview for podcast).

Veronic Volk, WXXI News, Rochester, New York (2018, November 13).
Rage rooms inviteclients to smash their stress away. (television news interview – audio only).

Wallet Hub (2018, November 7).
Ask the experts: What are the biggest Thanksgiving money-wasters? (news website interview).

Boston Herald (2018, October 23).
Experts: Mega jackpots play mind games with bettors (newspaper interview).

Forbes.com (2018, September 6).
Human psychology as an essential tool for building smart real estate (news website interview).

Emily Anthes, science writer (2018, July 9). *The Great Indoors* published by Scientific American, (interview for book).

Mike Cherry, WMUR9, Manchester, New Hampshire (2018, March 30).
Unrealistic optimism drives sales for Mega Millions jackpot, psychologist says (television news interview – audio only).

Andrea Montgomery, Global News Radio CHQR770AM, Calgary, Alberta, CA. (2017, December 13). Interpersonal trust, cooperation, and the foods we eat (radio interview).

The Leslie Roberts Show on CJAD 800AM, Montreal, Quebec, CA. (2017, November 2).
Five signs your coworker might be a psychopath (radio interview).

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette (2017, September 7).

Fears of a clown: 'It' remake features the latest not-so jolly jester (newspaper interview).

Beaver County Times (2017, July 10).
The summer of love changed how we view sex, relationships (newspaper interview).

Beaver County Times (2017, March 23).
Falling population in Beaver, Lawrence, Allegheny counties follows state decline
(newspaper interview).

Sports Illustrated (2017, February 21).
How (and why) the premature championship tattoo became the ultimate badge of fan loyalty (magazine interview).

Beaver Country Times (2016, November 20).
Keeping political arguments off the table this Thanksgiving (newspaper interview).

The Unexplained with Howard Hughes on TalkRADIO Network, London, UK. (2016, October 16). The psychology of the creepy clown craze (radio interview).

The Scott Radley Show on AM900 CHML, Hamilton, Ontario, CA. (2016, October 13).
What is going on with clowns today? (radio interview).

New York Post (2016, October 7).
A psychologist explains why clowns are so scary (newspaper interview).

Beaver County Times (2016, March 20).
Lucky Beaver County: 2,200 Hit Instant Jackpots Since 2014 (newspaper interview).

T E A C H I N G

Penn State Beaver (2004 – present)

Psychology 100: *Introductory Psychology* (39 sections on campus; 6 web; 8 off campus).
Statistics 200: *Introduction to Statistics* (6 sections).
Psychology 221: *Social Psychology* (31 sections on campus; 3 web).
Psychology 244: *Engineering Psychology/Human Factors and Design* (1 section; 1 honors section).
Bio-Statistics 250: *Introduction to Biostatistics* (8 sections).
Psychology 269: *Evolutionary Psychology* (3 sections on campus; 4 web).
Psychology 301W: *Basic Research Methods in Psychology* (5 sections)
Psychology 404: *Principles of Psychological Measurement* (8 sections).
Psychology 424: *Applied Social Psychology* (9 sections).
Psychology 438: *Personality Psychology* (5 sections on campus; 4 web).
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Mentoring Undergraduate Student Projects

Cunic, D., Gormley, J., Lazzaretti, M. (2019). *The truth about concussions*. Submission to the APA PsycShorts Video Festival and Competition.

Goodlin, J., Bedekovich, F., Duncan, A., (2019). *The link between coffee and Alzheimer's*. Submission to the APA PsycShorts Video Festival and Competition.

Saldivar, V., Terry, W., Taft, T., Mueller, C., (2019). *The psychology of sports rehabilitation.* Submission to the APA PsycShorts Video Festival and Competition.

Crowe, K. (2018). *Musical Preferences and Memory Performance*.
Lin, X. (2015). *The Role of Social Media in the Business World*.
Hines, A., Francis, M., & McCullough, S. (2014). *Domestic Violence Assessment*.
Kim, K. (2014). *Cross-Cultural Differences in Perception of Language*.

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

Grant Reviewer: Erickson Summer Discovery Grant, Undergraduate Research Social Sciences category.
13 grant applications reviewed (2019).
18 grant applications reviewed (2018).

SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE

University College Teaching-line Faculty Promotion Review Committee (2017 – 2020).
Commonwealth Campuses Psychology Program Executive Committee (2014 – 2018).

SERVICE TO THE CAMPUS

Search Committees

Activities Assistant/Residence Life Assistant Search Committee (2017).
Full Time Residence Life Assistant Search Committee (2017).
Psychology Internship Coordinator Search Committee (2015).
(Chair) Tenure Track Assistant Professor of Psychology Search Committee (2015).
Admissions Counselor Search Committee (2012).
Tenure Track Assistant Professor of Psychology Search Committee (2011).
Psychology Internship Coordinator Search Committee (2011).
(Chair) Tenure Track Assistant Professor of Psychology Search Committee (2009).
Tenure Track Assistant Professor of Biology Search Committee (2006).

Faculty Congress

Faculty Lead for the Campus Master Plan and Welcoming Academic Spaces Initiative, Campus Strategic Plan Implementation Committee (2017 – 2019).
Student Activity Fee Committee. (2016 – 2017).
Michael Baker Building Redesign Committee (2013 – 2014).
Penn State Beaver and Penn State Shenango Planning Committee (2013).
Classroom Improvement Committee (2011 – 2012).
Academic Affairs Committee (2011 – 2012).
Student Activity Fee Committee (2009 – 2012).
Chancellor's Advisory Committee (2007 – 2012).
Vice President, Penn State Beaver Faculty Congress (2008 – 2009).
(Chair) Penn State Beaver Student Affairs Committee (2007 – 2009).
Penn State Beaver Judicial Affairs Hearing Board (2004 – 2008).

Advising

New Student Orientation Summer Advising (2005 – present).
Penn State Beaver Psychological Society (Psych Club) Adviser (2005 – 2015).
Undergraduate Psychology Advising. *Guiding approximately 40 advisees per year with*

*semester planning, course selection, career recommendations, and avenues for post-baccalaureate degrees (*2004 – present).

Other

Penn State Beaver Fixed Term Multiyear Promotion Committee (2019 – 2021).
Facilitator at Discover-U Event to promote majors and career resources) (2018-2019).
Academic excellence on campus: A short discussion of recent research publications. *Brief talk for Penn State Beaver Campus Advisory Meeting*, Monaca, PA, (2018, May).
Discipline Representative for Fixed Term Faculty Promotion (2017 – 2018).
Social Science Judge, Penn State Beaver Undergraduate Exhibition (2016 – 2017).
Campus Teaching Award Selection Committee (2014).
Psychology Program Coordinator, Penn State Beaver. *Responsible for designing psychology department teaching schedules, overseeing the advising process of transfer students, devising curriculum maps, creating campus assessment plan, and conducting annual departmental evaluations.* (2013 – present).
Psychology Advisory Board (2004 – 2016).

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Editorial

Editorial Board Member/Section Editor for the *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science*. Project responsibilities include recruiting contributors, reviewing manuscripts, and approving entries across three levels: *central topics* (5,000-10,000 words), *key ideas and people* (2-5,000 words), and *brief entries* (500-2,000 words) (2018-2019).

Reviewer for Peer-Reviewed Research Journals

Adaptive Human Behavior and Physiology (2019)
Personality and Individual Differences (2018)
Evolution and Human Behavior (2016)
Evolutionary Psychological Science (2016)

Reviewer for Book Publishers

Cambridge University Press, multiple textbook chapters (2019)
Sage, multiple textbook chapters (2016)
Allyn & Bacon, multiple textbook chapters (2015)
McGraw-Hill, multiple textbook chapters (2014)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society for Personality and Social Psychology, APA Division 8 (2017 – present).
Eastern Psychological Association, EPA (2014 – present).
Society for the Teaching of Psychology, APA Division 2 (2012 – present).
Council of Teachers of Undergraduate Psychology, CTUP (2004 – 2008).
Human Behavior and Evolution Society, HBES (2004 – 2013).
American Psychological Association, APA, (2004 – present).
Association for Psychological Science, APS (2004 – present).