# Andrea Michael Cataldo

Curriculum Vitae

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# **Employment**

2019 – present **Postdoctoral Research Fellow** 

McLean Hospital / Harvard Medical School

Center for Depression, Anxiety, & Stress Research

Motivated Learning & Memory Laboratory

**Education** 

Ph.D. University of Massachusetts: Amherst, MA

2019 Program: Cognitive Psychology

Advisor: Dr. Andrew Cohen

Dissertation: A Flexible Comparison Process as a Critical Mechanism for Context Effects

M.S. University of Massachusetts: Amherst, MA

2016 Program: Cognitive Psychology

Advisor: Dr. Andrew Cohen

Thesis: The Influence of Discrete Emotional States

on Preferential Choice

**B.A.** University of Massachusetts: Amherst, MA

2009 Major: Psychology; Minor: Philosophy

Magna Cum Laude

Thesis: The Effects of Uncertain Mood on Pattern Perception: A Signal Detection Perspective

#### **Awards**

UMass Psychological & Brain Sciences Travel Award, 2017, 2018 John & Abigail Adams Tuition Waiver, 2005-2009

#### **Publications**

- Cataldo, A. M., & Cohen, A. L. (submitted). Modelling preference reversals in context effects over time. *Computational Brain & Behavior*
- Cataldo, A. M., & Cohen, A. L. (submitted). Framing context effects with reference points. *Cognition*
- Cohen, A. L., & Cataldo, A. M. (under review). Predicting patterns in computational models of context effects. *Decision*
- Starns, J. J., Rotello, C. M., & Cataldo, A. M. (in press). Blinded inference: An opportunity for mathematical modelers to lead the way in research reform. *Computational Brain & Behavior*
- Starns, J. J., Cataldo, A. M., Rotello, C. M., et al. (in press). Assessing theoretical conclusions with blinded inference to investigate a potential inference crisis. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*
- Cataldo, A. M., & Cohen, A. L. (2018b). The comparison process as an account of variation in the attraction, compromise, and similarity effects. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*
- Cataldo, A. M., & Cohen, A. L. (2018a). Reversing the similarity effect: The effect of presentation format. *Cognition*, 175, 141-156.
- Jones, T., Hadley, H., Cataldo, A. M., Arnold, E., Curran, T., Tanaka, J. W., & Scott, L. S. (2018). Neural and behavioral effects of subordinate-level training of novel objects across manipulations of color and spatial frequency. *European Journal of Neuroscience*.
- Cataldo, A. M., & Cohen, A. L. (2015). The effect of emotional state on visual detection: A signal detection analysis. *Emotion*, 15(6), 846-853.
- Wolff, J. C., Frazier, E. A., Esposito-Smythers, C., Becker, S. J., Burke, T. A., Cataldo, A., & Spirito, A. (2014). Negative cognitive style and perceived social support mediate the relationship between aggression and NSSI in hospitalized adolescents. *Journal of Adolescence*, 37(4), 483-491.
- Liu, R. T., Frazier, E. A., Cataldo, A. M., Simon, V. A., Spirito, A., & Prinstein, M. J. (2014). Negative life events and non-suicidal self-injury in an adolescent inpatient sample. *Archives of Suicide Research*, 18(3), 251-258.
- Becker, S. J., Swenson, R. R., Esposito-Smythers, C., Cataldo, A. M., & Spirito, A. (2014). Barriers to seeking mental health services among adolescents in military families. *Professional Psychology: Research and Practice*, 45(6), 504-513.

Chen, Y., Cataldo, A., Norton, D. & Ongur, D. (2012). Distinct facial processing in schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorders. *Schizophrenia Research*, 134 (1), 95-100.

### **Conference Presentations**

- Cataldo, A. M., & Cohen, A. L. (2018, November). Context effects and the comparison process. Talk given at the annual meeting of the Psychonomic Society, New Orleans, LA. Presented by Cohen (per conference rules).
- Starns, J.J., Rotello, C.M., & Cataldo, A. M. (2018, May). Validity of researcher inference in recognition memory: A blinded validation study. Talk given at the annual Context and Episodic Memory Symposium, Philadelphia, PA. Presented by Starns.
- Carr, A., Jones, T., Cataldo, A.M., Hadley, H., Arnold, E., Tanaka, J., Curran, T. & Scott, L.S. (2018, May). Changes in Visual Scanning Strategies Accompany the Acquisition of Perceptual Expertise. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the Vision Sciences Society, St. Pete Beach, FL. Presented by Carr.
- Cataldo, A. M. & Cohen, A. L. (2017, November). Reversing the similarity effect: The influence of presentation format. Talk given at the annual meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Vancouver, BC. Presented by Cohen (per conference rules).
- Cataldo, A. M. & Cohen, A. L. (2017, November). Applications of a Bayesian hierarchical signal detection model to emotion research. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Vancouver, BC. Presented by Cataldo.
- Carr, A., Jones, T., Cataldo, A.M., Hadley, H., Arnold, E., Tanaka, J., Curran, T. & Scott, L.S. (May 2017). A dissociation between visual strategy use and accuracy after perceptual expertise training. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Vision Sciences Society, St. Pete Beach, FL. Presented by Carr.
- Jones, T., Cataldo, A.M., Hadley, H., Arnold, E., Tanaka, J., Curran, T. & Scott, L.S. (May 2017). Subordinate-level training with novel objects differentially impacts neural and behavioral processing. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Vision Sciences Society, St. Pete Beach, FL. Presented by Jones.
- Cataldo, A. M. & Cohen, A. L. (2017, January). Refining the emotion manipulation check. Talk given at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX. Presented by Cataldo.

- Cataldo, A. M. & Cohen, A. L. (2016, November). The influence of emotion and framing on preferential choice. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Boston, MA. Presented by Cataldo.
- Hadley, H., Arnold, E., Cataldo, A.M., Tanaka, J., Curran, T., Scott, L.S. (2016, May). The importance of color and spatial frequency information after laboratory-trained perceptual expertise. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Vision Sciences Society, St. Pete Beach, FL. Presented by Hadley.
- Zimmermann, R., Wolff, J., Simon, V., Cataldo, A., Spirito, A., Prinstein, M. (2012, November). Overt and relational aggression and deviant peer affiliation: Risk factors for substance use among adolescent females. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy, Washington, DC. Presented by Cataldo.
- Becker, S. J., Nargiso, J. E., Wolff, J.C., Uhl, K.M., Cataldo, A., Simon, V., Spirito, A., & Prinstein, M.J. (2011, August). Temporal relationship between substance use and delinquent behavior among young psychiatrically hospitalized adolescents. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the European Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy, Reykjavik, Iceland. Presented by Wolff.
- Cataldo, A., Ongur, D., & Chen, Y. (2010, March). Seeing faces, reading minds: The relationship between deficits in theory of mind and facial identity discrimination among schizophrenic patients. Poster session presented at the Harvard Psychiatry Research Day, Cambridge, MA. Presented by Cataldo.
- Cataldo, A., Cohen, A., & Dasgupta, N. (2009, November). The effect of mood on pattern perception: A signal detection analysis. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Boston, MA. Presented by Cohen.

## **Research Experience**

Jan 2018 – Jul 2019	Research Assistant University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA Eyewitness Memory Project Dr. Starns, Dr. Rotello, Dr. Cohen
Jan 2017 – Jul 2019	Research Assistant University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA Measuring Memory Project Dr. Jeffrey Starns, Dr. Caren Rotello
Jan 2015 – May 2019	Statistical & Methodological Consultant University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA Institute for Social Science Research

May 2015 – Aug 2016

Research Assistant

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA Brain, Cognition, & Development Lab

Dr. Lisa Scott

Nov 2010 – Jul 2013

**Research Assistant** 

Brown University, Providence RI

Bradley/Hasbro Children's Research Center Dr. Anthony Spirito, Dr. Jennifer Wolff

May 2009 – Oct 2010

**Research Assistant** 

McLean Hospital, Belmont MA Visual Psychophysiology Laboratory

Dr. Yue Chen

May 2008 – Aug 2008

Research Assistant

UMass Medical School, Provincetown MA

Project Apollo Dr. Edward Boyer

**Teaching Experience** 

Summer 2017

Instructor

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA

Statistics in Psychology (1 session)

Sept 2013 – May 2019

**Teaching Assistant** 

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA Methods of Inquiry in Psychology (2 semesters)

Statistics in Psychology (3 semesters)

Integrative Experience in Psychology (1 semester)

Social Psychology (2 semesters) Graduate Statistics (1 semester)

Summer 2019

**ISSR Workshop Instructor** 

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA Getting Started with Bayesian Statistics

Jan 2015 – May 2019

**ISSR Short Course Instructor** 

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA

Introduction to R

Data Manipulation in R

Creating Reports and Presentation Slides in R

Computing Bayes Factors in R De-Mystifying Bayesian Statistics Sept 2014 – May 2015 Graduate Mentor

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA

STEM Ambassadors Program

Service

Sept 2015 – May 2019 Union Steward

Graduate Employee Organization (UAW 2322)

Sept 2015 – May 2019 Graduate Steering Committee

UMass Cognitive Science Initiative

Feb 2018 Prospective Student Day Coordinator

UMass Psychological & Brain Sciences (Cog. PhD)

# **Ad Hoc Journal Reviews**

Emotion
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied
Journal of Memory and Language
Polish Psychological Bulletin
Psychonomic Bulletin & Review