

Curriculum Vitae
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Education

- 2017 Ph.D. Washington University, Personality/Social Psychology
Thesis: Towards a theory of adaptive neuroticism.
- 2014 M.A. Washington University, Personality/Social Psychology
Thesis: The structure of language: Relations to narrative coding, personality, and well-being
- 2012 B.A. Northwestern University, Psychology and English
Minor: Gender Studies

Employment

- 2017-present Postdoctoral Fellow, Medical Social Sciences, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
Mentor: Daniel K. Mroczek, PhD
- 2012-2017 Graduate Research Fellow, Psychological and Brain Sciences, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO
Mentor: Joshua J. Jackson, PhD
- 2013-2016 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Psychological and Brain Sciences, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO

Publications

Hennefield, L., Hwang, H.G., **Weston, S.J.** & Povinelli, D.J. (2018). Meta-analytic techniques reveal that corvid causal reasoning in Aesop's Fables tasks is driven by trial-and-error learning. *Animal Cognition*. (in press). DOI: 10.1007/s10071-018-1206-y

Weston, S.J., Hill, P.L., Edmonds, G.W., Mroczek, D.K., & Hampson, S.E. (2018). No evidence of "healthy neuroticism" in the Hawaii Personality and Health Cohort. *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*. (in press).
Preprint: psyarxiv.com/bwehp. OSF: osf.io/z946g.

Weston, S.J., Gladstone, J.J., Graham, E.K., Mroczek, D.M., & Condon, D.M. (2018). Who are the Scrooges? The personality predictors of holiday spending. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*. (in press).
Preprint: psyarxiv.com/gmzac. OSF: osf.io/7j9da. Preregistration: osf.io/ew4h5

- Rosenberg, A.R., **Weston, S.J.**, Deshields, T., Fields., R.C., Linette, G.P., Cornelius, L.A., & Semenov, Y.R. (*in press*). Health-related quality of life in patients with malignant melanoma by stage and treatment status. *Journal of Investigative Dermatology*.
- Hill P.L. & **Weston, S.J.** (*in press*). Evaluating eight-year trajectories for sense of purpose in the Health and Retirement Study. *Aging and Mental Health*.
DOI: [10.1080/13607863.2017.1399344](https://doi.org/10.1080/13607863.2017.1399344)
- Weston, S.J.** & Jackson, J.J. (*in press*). The role of vigilance in the relationship between neuroticism and health: A registered report. *Journal of Research in Personality*.
DOI: [10.1016/j.jrp.2017.10.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrp.2017.10.005)
Preprint: psyarxiv.com/tpx5c. OSF: osf.io/hr7vx. Preregistration: osf.io/fjqtu
- Condon, D.M., **Weston, S.J.**, & Hill, P.L. (*in press*). Reconsidering what is vital about vital signs in electronic health records: comment on Matthews et al. *American Psychologist*.
DOI: [10.17605/osf.io/5q6j8](https://doi.org/10.17605/osf.io/5q6j8)
- Hill, P.L., **Weston, S.J.** & Jackson, J.J. (2017). The co-development of perceived support and the big five in middle and older adulthood. *International Journal of Behavioral Development*. DOI: [10.1177/0165025417690262](https://doi.org/10.1177/0165025417690262)
- Jackson, J.J., **Weston, S.J.** & Shultz, L. (2017). Personality development and health. In J. Specht (Ed.), *Handbook of personality development*. (pp. 371-384). London, U.K: Academic Press.
- Weston, S.J.** & Jackson, J.J. (2016). In defense of the trait: A comment on Möttus (2016). *European Journal of Personality*. DOI: [10.1002/per.2041](https://doi.org/10.1002/per.2041)
- Weston, S.J.** & Jackson, J.J. (2016). How do people respond to health news? The role of personality traits. *Psychology and Health*, 31(6), 637-654. DOI: [10.17605/osf.io/ev4yc](https://doi.org/10.17605/osf.io/ev4yc)
- Weston, S.J.**, Cox, K.S., Condon, D.M., & Jackson, J.J. (2015). A comparison of human narrative coding of redemption and automated linguistic analysis for understanding life stories. *Journal of Personality*, 84(5), 594-606. DOI: [10.1111/jopy.12183/full](https://doi.org/10.1111/jopy.12183/full)
- Weston, S.J.**, Hill, P.L. & Jackson, J.J. (2015). Personality traits predict the onset of disease. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, 6(3), 309-317. DOI: [10.1177/1948550614553248](https://doi.org/10.1177/1948550614553248)
- Hill, P.L., **Weston, S.J.**, & Jackson, J.J. (2015). Connecting social environment variables to the onset of major specific health outcomes. *Psychology and Health*, 29(7), 753-767. DOI: [10.1080/08870446.2014.884221](https://doi.org/10.1080/08870446.2014.884221)
- Weston, S.J.** & Jackson, J.J. (2014). Identification of the healthy neurotic: Personality traits predict smoking after disease onset. *Journal of Research in Personality*, 54, 61-69. DOI: [10.1016/j.jrp.2014.05.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrp.2014.05.005)

[10.1016/j.jrp.2014.04.008](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrp.2014.04.008)

Manuscripts under review or in revision

Weston, S.J., Ritchie, S.J., Rohr, J.M., & Pryzbylski, A.K. (2018). Recommendations for increasing the transparency of analysis of pre-existing datasets. *Advanced Methods and Practices for Psychological Science*. (under review).
Preprint: psyarxiv.com/zmt3q

Unpublished Preprints

Guo, J., **Weston, S. J.**, & Condon, D. M. (2018, May 31). Capturing the stories of our lives: Examining the collection of life narrative data. DOI: 10.31234/osf.io/vzam4
Preprint: psyarxiv.com/vzam4

Chaired Symposia

Weston, S.J. & Mroczek, D.K. (June 2015). *The impact of personality throughout the health process*. Symposium given at the 4th meeting of the Association for Research in Personality. St. Louis, MO.
Speakers: Grant W. Edmonds, Ph.D.; Lauren J. Human, Ph.D.; Sara. J Weston, M.A.; and Mitesh B. Rao, M.D.

Conference Talks

Weston, S.J. (June 2017). *Searching for healthy neuroticism*. Oral presentation part of the Rising Stars Symposium at the 5th meeting of the Association for Research in Personality, Sacramento, CA.

Revelle, W.R, **Weston, S.J.** & Condon, D.M. (May 2017). *Introduction to R Statistical System*. Workshop sponsored by the Society of Multivariate Experimental Psychology, presented at the 29th annual Association for Psychological Science Convention. Boston, MA.

Revelle, W.R, **Weston, S.J.** & Condon, D.M. (May 2016). *Introduction to R Statistical System*. Workshop sponsored by the Society of Multivariate Experimental Psychology, presented at the 28th annual Association for Psychological Science Convention. Chicago, IL.

Weston, S.J. & Jackson, J.J. (June 2015). *A model of reactions to health news: How personality fits into the Bad News Response Model*. Oral presentation at the 4th meeting of the Association for Research in Personality. St. Louis, MO.

Revelle, W.R, **Weston, S.J.** & Condon, D.M. (May 2015). *Introduction to R Statistical System*. Workshop sponsored by the Society of Multivariate Experimental Psychology, presented at the 27th annual Association for Psychological Science Convention. New York, NY.

Weston, S.J., Jackson, J.J., & Cox, K.S. (February 2014) *What is redemption? Searching for the linguistic structure of redemption stories*. Oral presentation at the 15th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.

Vazire, S., Wilson, R.E., Carlson, E.N., Soloman, B.S., Bollich, K.L., Harris, K., **Weston, S.J.**, Jackson, J.J. (February 2014). *When introverts get social: Introvert's social interactions predict well-being*. Oral presentation at the 15th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.

Weston, S.J. & Jackson, J.J. (June 2013). *Personality traits predict the onset of illness*. Oral presentation at the 3rd Association for Research in Personality, Charlotte, NC.

Jackson, J.J. & **Weston, S.J.** (June 2013) *Unraveling the association between personality trait change and health*. Oral presentation at the 3rd meeting of the Association for Research in Personality, Charlotte, NC.

Weston, S.J., Hill, P.L., & Jackson, J.J. (January 2013) *Personality and the onset of illness in older adults*. Presented in a data blitz at the Social Personality Health Preconference of the 14th annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. New Orleans, LA.

Conference Posters

Weston, S.J., Edmonds, G.W. Hampson, S.E. & Hill, P.L (July 2017). *Personality traits predict dietary habits in middle-to-older adults*. Poster presented at the 21st Annual International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics World Congress. San Francisco, CA.

Weston, S.J., Edmonds, G.W. Hampson, S.E. & Hill, P.L (November 2016). *Searching for evidence of "healthy neuroticism" in middle-to-older adults*. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America. New Orleans, LA.

Weston, S.J., & Hill, P.L (November 2016). *Changes in older adults' sense of purpose are predicted by personality, health and retirement status*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological society of America. New Orleans, LA.

Weston, S.J., Graham, E., Condon, D.M., & Mroczek (July 2016). *Personality traits predict health care utilization among health adults*. Poster presented at 18th meeting of the European Association of Personality Psychology. Timișoara, Romania.

Weston, S.J., Graham, E., Condon, D.M., & Mroczek, D. (January 2016). *Personality predicts health care utilization among health adults*. Poster presented at 17th meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. San Diego, CA.

Weston, S.J., & Jackson, J.J. (February 2015). *Identification of the healthy neurotic: Personality traits predict smoking after disease onset*. Poster presented at 16th meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. Long Beach, CA.

Weston, S.J., & Jackson, J.J. (May 2014). *Identification of the healthy neurotic: Personality traits*

predict smoking after disease onset. Poster presented at 26th annual Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention. San Francisco, CA.

Weston, S.J., & Revelle, W. (May 2012). *The similarity of male and open language patterns.*

Poster presented at 24th annual Association for Psychology Science Annual Convention. Chicago, IL.

Honors and Awards

2017	Postdoctoral Professional Development Travel Award, Northwestern University
2017	Rising Star Award, Association for Research in Personality
2014	Nomination for Outstanding Teaching Assistant, Psychology Department
2014	Student Tuition Scholarship, Curran-Bauer Analytics
2012-2013	Washington University in St. Louis Research Fellowship
2011	Northwestern University Summer Undergraduate Research Grant

Professional Affiliations

Current Member

Association for Research in Personality
Society for Personality and Social Psychology
Association for Psychological Science
European Association of Personality Psychology
Gerontological Society of America
Society for the Improvement of Psychological Science (2017-2018 Logistics Chair)

Campus Representative

Association for Psychological Science (2013-2014)

Teaching Experience

2017, Fall	Instructor	Introduction to R, <i>invited workshop to the University of Illinois Social Behavioral Sciences Initiative</i>
2017, Spring	Guest Lecturer	Health Psychology
2016, Summer	Instructor	Introduction to R workshop, <i>APA-sponsored summer research program for underrepresented minority undergraduates</i>
2016, Spring	Guest Lecturer	Graduate Quantitative Methods II
2016, Spring	Teaching Assistant	Graduate Quantitative Methods II
2015, Fall	Guest Lecturer	Personality Psychology

2015, Fall	Teaching Assistant	Graduate Quantitative Methods I
2015, Fall	Instructor	Introduction to R Workshop
2015, Spring	Guest Lecturer	Graduate Quantitative Methods II
2015, Spring	Teaching Assistant	Graduate Quantitative Methods II
2015, Spring	Instructor	Introduction to R Workshop
2014, Fall	Guest Lecturer	Graduate Quantitative Methods I
2014, Fall	Teaching Assistant	Graduate Quantitative Methods I
2014, Spring	Teaching Assistant	Psychological Statistics
2013, Fall	Guest Lecturer	Introduction to Psychology
2013, Fall	Teaching Assistant	Introduction to Psychology

Teaching Training

- 2016 Awarded Teaching Citation
- 2013 Practicum in Teaching of Psychology
- 2013 University Teaching Assistant Training

Service

University Service

University Sexual Assault Investigation Board, Washington University in St. Louis (2015-2017)