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EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D., Clinical Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
 Minor: Social Psychology
- 2013–2014 Clinical Psychology Intern, San Diego VA / University of California, San Diego
- 2007 M.A., Clinical Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2006 B.A., with Highest Honors in Psychology, Williams College
 Magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2024– Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Georgia
- 2021–2022 Donald D. Harrington Faculty Fellow, Department of Human Development and
 Family Sciences, University of Texas at Austin
- 2019–2024 Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Georgia
- 2015– Affiliate Faculty, Center for Family Research, University of Georgia
- 2014– Affiliate Faculty, Institute for Women’s and Gender Studies, University of
 Georgia
- 2014–2019 Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Georgia

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

- Jan 2024– Director of Clinical Training, Department of Psychology, University of Georgia
- Jul 2023– Interim Co-Director, Center for Family Research, Owens Institute for Behavioral
Jul 2025 Research, University of Georgia
- Jan 2020– Administrative Fellow, Office of Inclusion and Diversity Leadership,
Jul 2021 Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, University of Georgia

LICENSURE

2016– Psychologist, State of Georgia (PSY004024)

HONORS AND AWARDS

2026 Citizen Award, UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2025 Creative Research Medal, University of Georgia
2024 Citizen Award, UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2024 Research Award (for mentoring), UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2023–2024 SEC Faculty Travel Award, University of Georgia
2023 Richard L. Marsh Mentoring Award, UGA Department of Psychology
2023 Research Award (for mentoring), UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2022 Rising Star Award, Owens Institute for Behavioral Research, University of Georgia
2022 Student Career Success Influencer Award, UGA Career Center
2021–2022 Donald D. Harrington Faculty Fellow, University of Texas at Austin
2020 Research Award (for mentoring), UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2020 Student Career Success Influencer Award, UGA Career Center
2020 Teaching Award, UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2019 Charles B. Knapp Early Career Scholar Award, University of Georgia
2019 Teaching Award, UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2018 Research Award, UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2017 Rising Star, Association for Psychological Science (APS)
2017 Distinguished Scholar, Owens Institute for Behavioral Research, University of Georgia
2017 J. Hatten Howard III Honors Professor Award, UGA Honors Program
2016 Clinical Supervision Award, UGA Clinical Psychology Program
2012 Teaching Fellow, UCLA LGBT Studies Program
2012 Senior Scientist Practitioner Award, UCLA Clinical Psychology Program
2011 Student Poster Award, Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice, American Psychological Association
2010–2013 Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation (\$120,000)
2006–2009 National Science Foundation IGERT Traineeship, UCLA Interdisciplinary Relationship Science Program (\$120,000)
2006 Phi Beta Kappa, Williams College
2006 Sigma Xi, Williams College
2005 Class of 1957 Scholarship, Williams College
2002–2006 Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship

EXTRAMURAL GRANTS

2024–2027 *Couple-Based Crisis Safety Planning via Telehealth to Reduce Suicide Crisis Symptoms and Suicide Risk*
The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs endorsed by the Department of Defense (HT94252410657 and HT94252410658)

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI: B. W. Bauer)
Total costs: \$740,824

- 2024–2025 *Preventing Suicide in African American Adolescents*
NCE: 2025–2026 National Institute of Mental Health (R01MH118382)
Role: Co-Investigator / PI of UGA subcontract (PI of primary award: W. L. Robinson, DePaul University)
Total subcontract costs: \$543,756
- 2023–2026 *Preparing the Next Generation of Biology Education Researchers through Interdisciplinary Co-mentorship and Evidence-based Professional Development*
National Science Foundation (2328692)
Role: Mentor / Senior Personnel (PIs: E. L. Dolan and L. Fiorella)
Total costs: \$1,455,000
- 2023–2024 *Depression and Relationship Quality among Older Adult Couples: A Longitudinal, Multimethod Investigation*
NCE: 2024–2025 Mental Research Institute
Role: Primary Mentor / Collaborator (PI: D. M. Weber)
Total costs: \$25,000
- 2022–2027 *A Culturally Informed Model Linking Physiological Stress Regulation and Behavioral and Academic Adjustment in Latin American Children*
National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (R01HD109163)
Role: Co-Investigator (PI: C. Suveg)
Total costs: \$3,117,133
- 2022–2027 *The IMPACT Study: Improving Mentorship Practice through Attributions and Conflict Training*
Terminated 2025 National Institute of General Medical Sciences (R01GM147061)
Role: Co-Investigator (PI: E. L. Dolan)
Total costs: \$1,390,943
- 2021–2023 *Research Supplement to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research*
NCE: 2023–2024 National Institute on Aging (R01AG059260-S1)
Role: Primary Mentor
Total costs: \$93,741
- 2021–2023 *Revision and Validation of the Multidimensional Assessment of Parenting Scale (MAPS) in a Racially and Ethnically Diverse National Sample*
National Institute of Mental Health (R36MH12783801)
Role: Secondary Mentor
Total costs: \$86,017
- 2018–2023 *Using a Randomized Prevention Trial to Understand the Health Benefits of Supportive Couple Relationships among Rural African American Adults*
NCE: 2023–2024

National Institute on Aging (R01AG059260)
Role: Co-Investigator (PI: S. R. H. Beach)
Total costs: \$2,910,140

2017–2021 *Responsive Parenting, Sleep, and Rapid Weight Gain among African*
NCE: 2021–2022 *American Infants*
National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
(R01DK112874)
Role: Principal Investigator (formerly co-PI with L. L. Birch)
Total costs: \$2,728,416

2016–2019 *UGA SBIRT Interprofessional Training Program*
NCE: 2019–2020 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (1H79TI026457-01)
Role: Co-Investigator (PI: A. Abraham)
Total costs: \$834,607

PUBLICATIONS

(† indicates student coauthor; ^ indicates post-doc coauthor)

Books

1. **Lavner, J. A.**, & Goodman, S. H. (Eds.). (Under contract). *Research handbook on family psychology*. Edward Elgar Publishing Limited.
2. Overall, N. C., Simpson, J. A., & **Lavner, J. A.** (Eds.). (2025). *Research handbook on couple and family relationships*. Edward Elgar Publishing Limited.
<https://doi.org/10.4337/9781035309269>

Peer-Reviewed Articles

1. Galvan, T., **Lavner, J. A.**, Doane, L. D., & Beach, S. R. H. (in press). Contextualizing depressive symptoms in Latino/a adolescents with a history of stressful life events: The role of cognitive coping and sleep. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-026-03135-3>
2. Johnson, M. D., †Li, W., Impett, E. A., **Lavner, J. A.**, Neyer, F. J., & Muise, A. M. (in press). How are sexual frequency and relationship satisfaction intertwined? A latent profile analysis of male-female couples. *Journal of Family Psychology*.
<https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001331>
3. †Swygert, L., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (in press). Predictors of racial socialization among Black families: Neighborhood factors, racial discrimination, and depressive symptoms. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10826-026-03284-3>

4. Beach, S. R. H., Carter, S. E., Ong, M.-L., **Lavner, J. A.**, Kogan, S. M., Ehrlich, K., Lei, M.-K., Simons, R. L., †Adesogan, O., Gibbons, F. X., Gerrard, M., & Philibert, R. A. (2026). Childhood exposure to danger increases Black youths' alcohol consumption, accelerated aging, and cardiac risk as young adults: A test of the incubation hypothesis. *Development and Psychopathology*, 38, 156–171. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0954579425000264>
5. **Lavner, J. A.**, †Chen, P.-H., & Williamson, H. C. (2026). Strengthening couple functioning to enhance child outcomes in low-income families: A randomized controlled trial. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, 94, 39–48. <https://doi.org/10.1037/ccp0000988>
6. †Spivey, B. N., Watson-Singleton, N. N., **Lavner, J. A.**, Brownlow, B. N., & Lewis, J. A. (2026). Gendered racism and mental health: A test of the mediating and moderating role of the Superwoman/Strong Black Woman Schema and John Henryism. *Sex Roles*, 92, 4. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11199-026-01640-7>
7. Weber, D. M., Beach, S. R. H., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2026). Mediators of the bidirectional association between depression and relationship satisfaction among older adults. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 40(4), 568–579. <https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001469>
8. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2025). Additive benefits of individual, relational, and community factors on physical and mental health trajectories among Black Americans. *Clinical Psychological Science*, 13, 434–443. <https://doi.org/10.1177/21677026241266580>
9. †Cutri, J. N., **Lavner, J. A.**, Mereish, E. H., & Watson, R. J. (2025). Patterns and correlates of dating and intimate relationship involvement among sexual minority adolescents. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, 35, e70069. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jora.70069>
10. †Hart, A. R., Beach, S. R. H., Hart, C. N., Metzger, I. W., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2025). Effects of contextual stress on Black mothers' self-reported and actigraph-estimated postpartum sleep. *SLEEP*, 48, zsaf023. <https://doi.org/10.1093/sleep/zsaf023>
11. Kanter, J. B., **Lavner, J. A.**, & ^Ogan M. A. (2025). Unconditional cash transfers and romantic relationship outcomes: A randomized controlled trial. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 39, 906–916. <https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001377>
12. †Petruzzella, A., †Allan, T., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2025). Gay men's engagement with a gay campground community in the rural Southern United States. *Leisure Sciences*, 47, 264–282. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01490400.2022.2096731>
13. ^Weber, D. M., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2025). Postpartum sleep and relationship satisfaction among Black mothers. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 39, 554–559. <https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001345>

14. ^Weber, D. M., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S., Ong, M.-L., Lei, M.-K., Philibert, R., & Beach, S. R. H. (2025). Relationship intervention moderates the association between substance use and biological aging among Black adults. *Health Psychology, 44*, 844–853. <https://doi.org/10.1037/hea0001495>
15. †Adesogan, O., Beach, S. R. H., Carter, S. E., Metzger, I. W., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2024). Effects of a responsive parenting intervention on Black mothers' depressive symptoms postpartum: Secondary analysis of a randomized clinical trial. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, 92*, 828–835. <https://doi.org/10.1037/ccp0000926>
16. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2024). Stress accumulation, depressive symptoms, and sleep problems among Black Americans in the rural South. *Clinical Psychological Science, 12*, 421–434. <https://doi.org/10.1177/21677026231170839>
17. †Armah, A. E., **Lavner, J. A.**, Varner, F. A., & Beach, S. R. H. (2024). Racial discrimination, depressive symptoms, and parenting in African American families. *Family Relations, 73*, 207–222. <https://doi.org/10.1111/fare.12846>
18. Ehrlich, K. B., †Lyle, S. M., †Corallo, K. L., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Ross, T. M. (2024). Changes in depressive symptoms and antibody production following influenza vaccination in adolescents and adults. *Vaccine, 42*, 3585–3591. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vaccine.2024.04.066>
19. †Hart, A. R., Beach, S. R. H., Hart, C. N., Smith, J. J., Stansfield, B. K., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2024). Responsive parenting and Black mothers' postpartum sleep: Secondary analysis of a randomized controlled trial. *Health Psychology, 43*, 438–447. <https://doi.org/10.1037/hea0001363>
20. Hohman, E. E., Savage, J. S., Stansfield, B. K., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2024). Sleep SAAF responsive parenting intervention for Black mothers impacts response to infant crying: A randomized clinical trial. *Academic Pediatrics, 24*, 97–104. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.acap.2023.04.012>
21. Johnson, M. D., **Lavner, J. A.**, Stanley, S. M., Rhoades, G. K. (2024). Gender differences—or the lack thereof—in the prediction of relationship dissolution among unmarried mixed-gender couples from the United States. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, 41*, 3316–3336. <http://doi.org/10.1177/02654075241265063>
22. ^Joiner, R. J., Bradbury, T. N., **Lavner, J. A.**, Meltzer, A. L., McNulty, J. K., Neff, L. A., & Karney, B. R. (2024). Are changes in marital satisfaction sustained and steady, or sporadic and dramatic? *American Psychologist, 79*, 225–240. <https://doi.org/10.1037/amp0001207>
23. ^Meslay, G., ^McCurdy, A. L., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Russell, S. T. (2024). Marriage expectations among different groups of gender and sexual minority youth in the United

States. *LGBTQ+ Family: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, 20, 201–215.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/27703371.2024.2323197>

24. O’Neal, C. W., **Lavner, J. A.**, Jensen, T. M., & Lucier-Greer, M. (2024). Mental health profiles of depressive symptoms and personal well-being among active-duty military families. *Family Process*, 63, 2367–2384. <http://doi.org/10.1111/famp.13003>
25. †Pingeton, B. C., Goodman, S. H., **Lavner, J. A.**, †LaFever, K., & †Marchuck, N. (2024). Perinatal depression in transgender and gender expansive individuals. *BJOG: An International Journal of Obstetrics & Gynaecology*, 131, 1318–1319.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/1471-0528.17757>
26. ^Weber, D. M., Bryant, C. M., Williamson, H. C., †Mussa, K., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2024). Predictors of change in relationship satisfaction among Black postpartum mothers. *Family Process*, 63, 768–787. <http://doi.org/10.1111/famp.12990>
27. ^Weber, D. M., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2024). Different trajectories of relationship satisfaction among rural Black couples following preventive relationship intervention. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, 92, 356–366.
<https://doi.org/10.1037/ccp0000894>
28. ^Weber, D. M., Williamson, H. C., Bryant, C. M., †Mussa, K. S., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2024). Patterns and predictors of change in relationship status among Black mothers over 16 weeks postpartum. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 38, 751–762.
<https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001238>
29. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2023). Shift-and-persist coping and health among rural African American youth. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, 33, 1209–1221. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jora.12870>
30. Beach, S. R. H., Lei, M.-K., **Lavner, J. A.**, †Adesogan, O., Carter, S. E., & Barton, A. W. (2023). Strengthening couple functioning promotes resilience to COVID-19-related stressors among Black Americans. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 37, 497–506.
<https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001082>
31. †Corallo, K. L., †Carr, C. P., **Lavner, J. A.**, Koss, K. J., & Ehrlich, K. B. (2023). The protective role of parental vigilance in the link between risky childhood environments and health. *Social Science and Medicine*, 317, 115593.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115593>
32. **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., †Hart, A. R., †Adesogan, O., & Beach, S. R. H. (2023). Racial discrimination and private regard among Black early adolescents: Testing between- and within-person associations over time. *The Journal of Early Adolescence*, 43(2), 141–163.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/02724316221096076>

33. **Lavner, J. A.**, Hohman, E. E., Beach, S. R. H., Stansfield, B. K., & Savage, J. S. (2023). Effects of a responsive parenting intervention among Black families on infants' sleep: A secondary analysis of the Sleep SAAF randomized clinical trial. *JAMA Network Open*, 6, e236276. <https://doi.org/10.1001/Jamanetworkopen.2023.6276>
34. **Lavner, J. A.**, Ong, M. L., Carter, S. E., †Hart, A. R., & Beach, S. R. H. (2023). Racial discrimination predicts depressive symptoms throughout adolescence among Black youth. *Developmental Psychology*, 59, 7–14. <https://doi.org/10.1037/dev0001456>
35. ^McCurdy, A. L., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Russell, S. T. (2023). A latent profile analysis of perceived family reactions to youth LGBTQ identity. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 37, 888–898. <https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001114>
36. ^McCurdy, A. L., †Renley, B. M., **Lavner, J. A.**, ^Meslay, G., Watson, R. J., & Russell, S. T. (2023). Sexual minority youth in romantic relationships: Associations with youth well-being. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, 33, 1368–1376. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jora.12883>
37. Tong, W., **Lavner, J. A.**, Jia, J., & Fang, X. (2023). Dyadic profiles of sexual satisfaction among Chinese newlywed couples over time. *The Journal of Sex Research*, 60, 349–358. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00224499.2022.2096845>
38. ^Weber, D. M., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2023). Couples' communication quality differs by topic. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 37, 909–919. <https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0001111>
39. †Wiggins, E. R., †Brisson, J. M., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Ehrlich, K. B. (2023). The benefits of nurturant-involved parenting for children's internalizing symptoms and cardiometabolic health in high-risk contexts. *Development and Psychopathology*, 35, 2420–2429. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0954579423000652>
40. Williamson, H. C., †Chen, P.-H., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2023). Enhancing fathers' parenting through strengthening couple functioning: A randomized controlled trial of low-income couples. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, 91, 43–49. <https://doi.org/10.1037/ccp0000781>
41. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022). COVID-19 stress and the health of Black Americans in the rural South. *Clinical Psychological Science*, 10, 1111–1128. <https://doi.org/10.1177/21677026211049379>
42. Barton, A. W., **Lavner, J. A.**, †Sutton, N. C., McNeil Smith, S., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022). African Americans' relationship quality and depressive symptoms: A longitudinal investigation of the Marital Discord Model. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 36, 1061–1072. <https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0000967>

43. Beach, S. R. H., Gibbons, F. X., Carter, S. E., Ong, M. L., **Lavner, J. A.**, Lei, M.-K., Simons, R. L., Gerrard, M., & Philibert, R. A. (2022). Childhood adversity predicts Black young adults' DNA methylation-based accelerated aging: A dual pathway model. *Development and Psychopathology*, 34, 689–703. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0954579421001541>
44. ^Hernandez, E. H., **Lavner, J. A.**, ^Moore, A. M., Stansfield, B. K., Beach, S. R. H., Smith, J. J., & Savage, J. S. (2022). Sleep SAAF responsive parenting intervention improves mothers' feeding practices: A randomized controlled trial among African American mother-infant dyads. *International Journal of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity*, 19, 129. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12966-022-01366-1>
45. Johnson, M. D., **Lavner, J. A.**, Muise, A., Mund, M., Neyer, F. J., Park, Y., Harasymchuk, C., & Impett, E. A. (2022). Women and men are the barometers of relationships: Testing the predictive power of women's and men's relationship satisfaction. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 119, e2209460119. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2209460119>
46. Johnson, M. D., **Lavner, J. A.**, Mund, M., Zemp, M., Stanley, S. M., Neyer, F. J., Impett, E. A., Rhoades, G. K., Bodenmann, G., Weidmann, R., Bühler, J. L., Burriss, R. P., Wünsche, J., & Grob, A. (2022). Within-couple associations between communication and relationship satisfaction over time. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 48, 534–549. <https://doi.org/10.1177/01461672211016920>
47. Kanter, J. B., **Lavner, J. A.**, Lannin, D. G., Hilgard, J., & Monk, J. K. (2022). Does couple communication predict later relationship quality and dissolution? A meta-analysis. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 84, 533–551. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jomf.12804>
48. King, V., **Lavner, J. A.**, Bryant, C. M., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022). Childhood maltreatment amplifies the association between relationship functioning and depressive symptoms among rural African American couples. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 39, 1043–1065. <https://doi.org/10.1177/02654075211053240>
49. **Lavner, J. A.**, †Hart, A. R., Carter, S. E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022). Longitudinal effects of racial discrimination on depressive symptoms among Black youth: Between- and within-person effects. *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 61, 56–65. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaac.2021.04.020>
50. **Lavner, J. A.**, Savage, J. S., Stansfield, B. K., Beach, S. R. H., Marini, M. E., Smith, J. J., Sperr, M. C., Anderson, T. N., ^Hernandez, E., ^Moore, A. M., Caldwell, A. L., & Birch, L. L. (2022). Effects of the Sleep SAAF responsive parenting intervention on rapid infant weight gain: A randomized clinical trial of African American families. *Appetite*, 175, 106080. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.appet.2022.106080>
51. Lei, M.-K., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., †Adesogan, O., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022). Relationship intervention indirectly buffers economic hardship's effect on biological aging

- among Black adults. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 36, 502–512.
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52. ^Moore, A. M., Smith, J. J., Stansfield, B. K., Savage, J. S., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2022). Patterns and predictors of breast milk feeding from birth to age 4 months among primiparous African American mother-infant dyads. *Nutrients*, 14, 2350.
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 53. O’Neal, C. W., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2022). Latent profiles of postdeployment reintegration among service members and their partners. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 36, 35–45.
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 54. Barton, A. W., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2021). Can interventions that strengthen couples’ relationships confer additional benefits for their health? A randomized controlled trial with African American couples. *Prevention Science*, 22, 386–396.
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 55. Barton, A. W., **Lavner, J. A.**, Hawrilenko, M., & Doss, B. D. (2021). Trajectories of relationship and individual functioning among waitlisted couples for an online relationship intervention. *Family Process*, 60, 1233–1248. <https://doi.org/10.1111/famp.12691>
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 57. †Hammett, J. F., **Lavner, J. A.**, Karney, B. R., & Bradbury, T. N. (2021). Intimate partner aggression and marital satisfaction: A cross-lagged panel analysis. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 36, NP1463–1481NP. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0886260517747607>
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 59. **Lavner, J. A.**, Barton, A. W., †Adesogan, O., & Beach, S. R. H. (2021). Family-centered prevention buffers the effect of financial strain on parenting interactions, reducing youth conduct problems in African American families. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, 89, 783–791. <https://doi.org/10.1037/ccp0000680>
 60. Lei, M. K., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., †Hart, A. R., & Beach, S. R. H. (2021). Protective parenting behavior buffers the impact of racial discrimination on depression among Black youth. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 35, 457–467. <https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0000822>

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<https://doi.org/10.1111/fare.12561>
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PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

1. †Brand, D. R., Reis, H. T., **Lavner, J. A.**, Card, N. A., Slatcher, R. B. (2026, July). *The power of perceived partner responsiveness: A meta-analytic review*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Glasgow, Scotland.
2. Johnson, M. D., †Li, W., Impett, E. A., **Lavner, J. A.**, Neyer, F. J., & Muise, A. (2026, July). *How are sexual frequency & relationship satisfaction intertwined?: Latent profile analysis of male-female couples*. Data blitz presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Glasgow, Scotland.
3. Kanter, J. B., Ogan, M. A., †Cutri, J. N., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2026, July). *Partner support and individual distress: Understanding the benefits of support across economic contexts*.

Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Glasgow, Scotland.

4. **Lavner, J. A.**, †Chen, P.-H., & Williamson, H. C. (2026, July). *Strengthening couple functioning to enhance child outcomes in low-income families: A randomized controlled trial*. Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Glasgow, Scotland.
5. ^Tuma, T., Rosenzweig, E., **Lavner, J. A.**, †Zhang, Y., & Dolan E. (2026, July). *A theoretically informed faculty professional development program for reducing conflict in mentoring relationships*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Biology Education Research, East Lansing, MI.
6. Robinson, W. L., Whipple, C. R., Graupmann, V., Yu, T., Flack, C. E., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2026, May). *Adolescent suicide prevention: Identifying mechanisms of change and moving to real world evidence-based effective intervention*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Barcelona, Spain.
7. Suveg, C., Caughy, M. O., †Gallegos, D. J., †Hale, M. E., **Lavner, J. A.**, Calzada, E., Roche, K., †Pelaiez Rovalo, F., †Rosales, N. C., & †Tejeda, A. (2026, May). *Culturally sensitive assessments of Latino/a parenting differentially relate to socioemotional adjustment in preschool-aged children*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Barcelona, Spain.
8. **Lavner, J. A.**, †Sappenfield, C., †Follet, L., †Cutri, J. N., & Bauer, B. W. (2026, April). Couple-based crisis safety planning via telehealth to reduce suicide crisis symptoms and suicide risk. In A. Horwitz (Chair), *Digital adaptations and extensions of the safety planning intervention for suicide risk*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Anxiety & Depression Conference, Chicago, IL.
9. ^Tuma, T., Rosenzweig, E., **Lavner, J. A.**, †Zhang, Y., & Dolan E. (2026, March). *Development and initial results of an intervention to reduce conflicts in faculty-graduate student mentoring relationships in the biomedical sciences*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southeast Regional Clinical and Translational Science Conference, Pine Mountain, GA.
10. †Cutri, J., **Lavner, J. A.**, Mereish, E. H., & Watson, R. J. (2025, November). *Multilevel sexual stigma and anxiety and depressive symptoms among sexual minority adolescents*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA.
11. Weber, D. M., Beach, S. R. H., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2025, November). *Longitudinal associations between depression and relationship quality among older adults*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA.

12. Weber, D. M., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2025, November). *Postpartum sleep and relationship satisfaction among Black mothers*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA.
13. **Lavner, J. A.** (2025, September). Promoting infant and maternal sleep among Black American families in the early postpartum period: A randomized clinical trial. In R. Meertens & J. A. Lavner (Chairs), *Promoting infant sleep in different cultures: Lessons from developing, adapting and evaluating innovative sleep interventions for infants in various cultures*. Symposium presented at World Sleep, Singapore.
14. †Adesogan, O., Beach, S. R. H., Carter, S. E., Metzger, I. W., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2025, May). *Effects of a responsive parenting intervention on Black mothers' postpartum depressive symptoms*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Minneapolis, MN.
15. †Zegarac, M. C., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Shaffer, A. E. (2025, May). *Childhood distress, responses to crying, and feeding to soothe among Black mothers*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Minneapolis, MN.
16. †Cutri, J. N., **Lavner, J. A.**, Mereish, E. H., & Watson, R. J. (2024, November). *Sexual stigma and dating patterns among sexual minority adolescents*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA.
17. †Spivey, B., Watson-Singleton, N. N., & Lavner, J. A. (2024, November). Gendered racism, cultural coping, and health among college-aged Black women. In J. Brooks Stephens (Chair), *Strength in Black womanhood: Implications of Strong Black Woman schema for mental health and clinical practice*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA.
18. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S.E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2023, November). *Multisystemic resilience predicts better physical and mental health trajectories among Black Americans*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Seattle, WA.
19. †Swygert, L., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2023, November). *Predictors of racial socialization parenting practices among Black American families*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Seattle, WA.
20. ^Weber, D. M. & **Lavner, J. A.** (2023, November). Predictors of change in relationship satisfaction in Black postpartum mothers. In F. Leifker (Chair), *Couples' joy and satisfaction over the life cycle: You can do this!* Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Seattle, WA.
21. ^Weber, D. M., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2023, November). Trajectories of relationship satisfaction among rural Black couples after relationship intervention. In Y. Le

- (Chair), *Unraveling the differential effects of couple relationship education on underserved populations: Leveraging novel analytic approaches*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Seattle, WA.
22. Johnson, M. D., **Lavner, J. A.**, Stanley, S. M., Rhoades, G. K. (2023, November). *Are women unique barometers of breakup?* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Orlando, FL.
 23. †Adesogan, O., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2023, July). *Predictors of Black parents' depressive symptoms during the perinatal period*. Paper presented at the APA Division 45 Research Conference, San Diego, CA.
 24. †Spivey, B. N., Metzger, I. W., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2023, July). *Black in the ivory: The experiences of Black graduate students*. Paper presented at the APA Division 45 Research Conference, San Diego, CA.
 25. **Lavner, J. A.**, Hohman, E. E., Beach, S. R. H., Stansfield, B. K., & Savage, J. S. (2023, June). *Effects of the Sleep SAAF responsive parenting intervention on infants' sleep: A randomized clinical trial among Black American families*. Paper presented at the annual convention of the International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity, Uppsala, Sweden.
 26. ^Weber, D. M., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2023, May). *Couples' communication quality varies across different stressors: Implications for understanding resilience in stressful contexts*. Paper presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Mini-Conference, Phoenix, AZ.
 27. †Adesogan, O., Beach, S. R. H., Lei, M.-K., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., & Barton, A. W. (2022, November). Strengthening couple functioning promotes resilience to COVID-19-related stressors among Black Americans. In O. Adesogan (Chair), *Promoting Strong African American Families (ProSAAF): Building resilience to external stressors by strengthening family relationships*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York, NY.
 28. †Hart, A. R., Lei, M.-K., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022, November). Building family-based resilience to racial discrimination among Black youth: Indirect buffering effects of the ProSAAF intervention on depressive symptoms. In O. Adesogan (Chair), *Promoting Strong African American Families (ProSAAF): Building resilience to external stressors by strengthening family relationships*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York, NY.
 29. **Lavner, J. A.**, Lei, M.-K., Carter, S. E., †Adesogan, O., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022, November). ProSAAF enhances relationship functioning and buffers African American couples from the effects on financial strain on biological aging. In O. Adesogan (Chair), *Promoting Strong African American Families (ProSAAF): Building resilience to external*

stressors by strengthening family relationships. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York, NY.

30. Williamson, H. C., †Chen, P-H., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2022, November). *Enhancing fathers' parenting through strengthening couple functioning: A randomized controlled trial of low-income couples*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York, NY.
31. ^McCurdy, A. L., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Russell, S. T. (2022, November). *A person-centered analysis of family members' reactions to youth LGBTQ identity*. Paper presented at the annual convention of the National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.
32. ^Hernandez, E., ^Moore, A. M., Stansfield, B. K., Beach, S. R. H., Smith, J. J., Savage, J. S., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2022, November). *Sleep SAAF parenting intervention for African American mothers improves responsive feeding: An RCT*. Poster presented at Obesity Week, San Diego, CA.
33. Hohman, E. E., Stansfield, B. K., Savage, J. S., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2022, November). *Sleep SAAF parenting intervention impacts infant soothing strategies among African American mothers*. Paper presented at Obesity Week, San Diego, CA.
34. ^Moore, A. M., Smith, J. J., Stansfield, B. K., Savage, J. S. & **Lavner, J. A.** (2022, November). *Patterns and predictors of breast milk feeding from birth to age 4 months among primiparous African American mother-infant dyads*. Poster presented at Obesity Week, San Diego, CA.
35. Johnson, M. D., **Lavner, J. A.**, Muise, A., Mund, M., Park, Y., Harasymchuk, C., & Impett, E. A. (2022, August). *Are women the barometers of relationships? Testing the predictive power of women's and men's relationship satisfaction on their own and their partner's later satisfaction*. Paper presented at the biennial convention of the International Association for Relationship Research.
36. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S.E, & Beach, S. R. H. (2022, May). *Stress accumulation and depressive symptoms among Black women in the rural South*. Poster presented at the annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.
37. †Hart, A. R., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2022, May). *Ethnic-racial socialization buffers racial discrimination's longitudinal association with self-esteem trajectories among Black emerging adults*. Flash talk presented at the annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.
38. **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., †Hart, A. R., Beach, S. R. H. (2022, May). *Experiencing racial discrimination increases depressive symptoms among Black youth*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Special Topics Meeting, Rio Grande, PR.

39. **Lavner, J. A.**, Savage, J. S., Stansfield, B. K., Beach, S. R. H., Marini, M. E., Smith, J. J., Sperr, M. C., Anderson, T. N., ^Hernandez, E., ^Moore, A. M., Caldwell, A. L., & Birch, L. L. (2022, May). *Effects of the Sleep SAAF responsive parenting intervention on rapid infant weight gain: A randomized clinical trial of African American families*. Poster presented at the annual convention of the International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity, Phoenix, AZ.
40. Carter, S. E., **Lavner, J. A.**, Gibbons, F. X., & Beach, S. R. H. (2022, April). The effects of racism across the life course: Mechanisms of depression linking social influences with methylation-based health indicators among Black Americans. In N. Fani (Chair), *Neurobiological mechanisms of individual and structural racism: Novel pathways for race-related health disparities*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Biological Psychiatry, New Orleans, Louisiana.
41. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, Carter, S. E., & Beach, S. R. H. (2021, November). *COVID-19 stress and the health of Black Americans in the rural South*. Poster presented at the annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies.
42. Barton, A. W., †Sutton, N. C., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2021, November). *The Marital Discord Model among African American couples: The importance of partner support for long-term change in depressive symptoms*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Council on Family Relations.
43. Johnson, M. D., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Neyer, F. J. (2021, September). *Are women the barometers of relationships? Testing the predictive power of women's and men's satisfaction on their own and the partner's satisfaction over time*. Paper presented at the 7th Pairfam International User Conference, Bremen, Germany.
44. **Lavner, J. A.**, Barton, A. W., †Adesogan, O., & Beach, S. R. H. (2021, May). *Family-centered prevention buffers the effect of financial strain on parenting, reducing youth conduct problems in African American families*. Flash talk presented at the annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science.
45. †Adesogan, O., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2020, November). *Shift-and-persist coping as a protective factor among African American youth*. Poster presented at the annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies.
46. †Hart, A. R., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S. R. H. (2020, May). *Cultural socialization and preparation for bias buffer the impact of racial discrimination on increases in Black youths' depressive symptoms*. Poster presented at the annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science.
47. Barton, A. W., **Lavner, J. A.**, & Beach, S.R.H. (2019, November). The Protecting Strong African American Families program: Design, implementation, and long-term outcomes for couples and children. In A. W. Barton (Chair), *Novel preventive intervention strategies for couples and families: Extending the reach and social impact of CBT to promote*

relationship quality and adult and child well-being. Symposium presented at the annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Atlanta, GA.

48. †Hart, A. R., **Lavner, J. A.**, Beach, S. R. H. (2019, November) *Racial discrimination predicts depressive symptoms and sleep problems: Replication across family members among Blacks in the rural South.* Poster presented at the annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Atlanta, GA.
49. †Petruzzella, A., Feinstein, B. A., Davila, J., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2019, November). *Gay-related and general stressors predict gay men's psychological functioning over time.* Poster presented at the annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Atlanta, GA.
50. †Petruzzella, A., Feinstein, B.A., Davila, J., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2019, May). *Moderators of the association between community connectedness and internalizing symptoms among gay men.* Paper presented at the annual National LGBTQ Health Conference, Atlanta, GA.
51. **Lavner, J. A.**, Williamson, H. C., Karney, B. R., & Bradbury, T. N. (2019, March). *Do communication deficits explain negative marital outcomes among newlyweds with children?* Poster presented at the International Convention of Psychological Science, Paris, France.
52. **Lavner, J. A.**, Williamson, H. C., Karney, B. R., & Bradbury, T. N. (2019, March). The transition to marriage among couples with children. In V. Anderegg (Chair), *The challenges of the transition to parenthood and the role of dyadic support.* Symposium presented at the International Convention of Psychological Science, Paris, France.
53. †Rea, H. M., †Vanderbroek Stice, L., **Lavner, J. A.**, †Rodriguez, V., & Shaffer, A. (2018, August). *Broader autism phenotype in relation to emotion dysregulation and the role of positive parenting.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.
54. Williamson, H. C., **Lavner, J. A.**, Bradbury, T. N., & Karney, B. R. (2018, July). *Do first-time newlyweds who start marriage with a child have different marital trajectories than newlywed couples without children?* Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationships Research, Fort Collins, CO.
55. **Lavner, J. A.**, †Tung, I., Christian-Brandt, A. S., & Waterman, J. (2018, May). Risk and development among infants adopted from foster care. In J. Waterman (Chair), *Infant mental health in foster/adoptive families: Infant development, parent perspectives, and clinical considerations.* Symposium presented at the World Infant Mental Health World Congress, Rome, Italy.
56. **Lavner, J. A.**, Beach, S. R. H., Barton, A. W., & Bryant, C. W. (2018, March). Racial discrimination and relationship functioning among African American couples. In T. Nguyen (Chair), *Couples in context: Influence of social networks and socio-economic*

hardships. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.

57. Berger, P. K., **Lavner, J. A.**, Smith, J. J., & Birch, L. L. (2017, November). *Correlations between reports of infant feeding cues and feeding practices by race and feeding mode*. Poster presented at Obesity Week, National Harbor, MD.
58. Berger, P. K., **Lavner, J. A.**, Smith, J. J., †Shealy, O. M., & Birch, L. L. (2017, November). *Differences in sleep duration among African American formula-feeding and White breastfeeding infants*. Poster presented at Obesity Week, National Harbor, MD.
59. †Stice, L. V., Fontenot, L. G., Jackson, J. L., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2017, November). *Who breaks up and gets back together? Understanding relationship churn among young adults*. Paper presented at the biennial conference of the Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood, Washington, DC.
60. †Petruzzella, A., Feinstein, B.A., Davila, J., & **Lavner, J. A.** (2017, April). *General and gay-related stressors predict gay men's negative affect and alcohol use over time*. Poster presented at the annual National LGBTQ Health Conference, Chicago, IL.
61. **Lavner, J. A.**, Karney, B. R., Williamson, H. C., & Bradbury, T. N. (2017, March). *Bidirectional associations between newlyweds' marital satisfaction and marital problems over time*. Poster presented at the International Convention of Psychological Science, Vienna, Austria.
62. Berger, P. K., **Lavner, J. A.**, Smith, J. J., Beach, S. R. H., & Birch, L. L. (2016, November). *Change in body composition from 2 to 8 weeks postpartum differs for breastfed and formula-fed infants*. Poster presented at Obesity Week, New Orleans, LA.
63. **Lavner, J. A.**, & Clark, M. A. (2016, June). *How does workload affect marital satisfaction over time? Understanding bidirectional effects*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Work and Family Researchers Network, Washington, DC.
64. **Lavner, J. A.**, Karney, B. R., & Bradbury, T. N. (2016, May). Bidirectional cross-lagged associations between couples' communication and marital satisfaction over the newlywed years. In K. M. Thomas (Chair), *Understanding how personality, psychopathology, parenting, and communication influence marital satisfaction over time: From moments to years*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.
65. **Lavner, J. A.**, †Lamkin, J., Miller, J. D., Campbell, W. K., & Karney, B. R. (2016, April). *Narcissism and newlywed marriage: Partner characteristics and marital trajectories*. Paper presented at the World Conference on Personality, Búzios, Brazil.

66. Waterman, J., **Lavner, J. A.**, & †Blake, A. (2016, January). *Long-term follow-up of children adopted from foster care in the United States*. Paper presented at the International Conference on Adoption Research, Auckland, New Zealand.
67. **Lavner, J. A.**, Karney, B. R., & Bradbury, T. N. (2015, March). *Relationship problems over the early years of marriage*. Poster presented at the International Convention of Psychological Science, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
68. **Lavner, J. A.**, Waterman, J., & Peplau, L. A. (2013, August). Same-sex parents of children adopted from foster care: Functioning over time. In E. Rothblum (Chair), *Embracing equality: Current research on same-sex relationships*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Honolulu, HI.
69. **Lavner, J. A.**, Karney, B. R., & Bradbury, T. N. (2013, May). Newlyweds' optimistic forecasts of their marriage: For better or for worse? In E. Finkel (Chair), *The power of longitudinal methods to unearth novel truths about intimate relationships*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, DC.
70. **Lavner, J. A.**, Bradbury, T. N., & Karney, B. R. (2012, November). *Behavior change in newlywed marriage: Verbal aggression, marital satisfaction, and relationship problems over time*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, National Harbor, MD.
71. **Lavner, J. A.**, Bradbury, T. N., & Karney, B. R. (2012, July). *Are marital outcomes a consequence of a gradual incremental process or a manifestation of initial risk factors?* Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Chicago, IL.
72. **Lavner, J. A.**, & Waterman, J. (2012, June). Gay and lesbian parents and their adopted children: Basic findings to inform practice and policy. In L. Heatherington (Chair), *Basic research with implications for child and family therapy*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Psychotherapy Research, Virginia Beach, VA.
73. **Lavner, J. A.**, & Bradbury, T. N. (2011, November). *Negative communication foreshadows divorce among satisfied newlyweds*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
74. **Lavner, J. A.**, & Waterman, J. (2011, November). Risk and resilience in gay and lesbian families adopting from foster care. In A. Langley (Chair), *Addressing the unique needs of diverse families adopting children from foster care*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Orlando, FL.
75. **Lavner, J. A.**, & Waterman, J. (2011, August). *Child and parent adjustment over time in gay and straight families adopting from foster care*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

76. **Lavner, J. A., & Bradbury, T. N.** (2011, July). *Why do stably satisfied newlyweds go on to divorce?* Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the European Congress of Psychology, Istanbul, Turkey.
77. **Lavner, J. A., & Bradbury, T. N.** (2011, January). Pathways and antecedents to divorce in newlywed couples: Findings from a 10-year study. In M. Kamashiro & N. Bolger (Chairs), *Integrating laboratory and longitudinal research on relationships*. Symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.
78. **Lavner, J. A., & Bradbury, T. N.** (2010, May). *“His” and “her” marriage: Within-couple differences in newlyweds’ four-year marital satisfaction trajectories*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.
79. **Lavner, J. A., & Bradbury, T. N.** (2008, November). *Predicting newlyweds’ marital satisfaction trajectories over the first four years of marriage*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Orlando, FL.
80. **Lavner, J. A., & Bradbury, T. N.** (2008, July). *Diverse trajectories of newlyweds’ marital satisfaction*. Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Providence, RI.
81. **Lavner, J. A., & Bradbury, T. N.** (2008, February). *Diverse trajectories of marital satisfaction over four years of marriage*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Albuquerque, NM.
82. **Lavner, J. A., & Bradbury, T. N.** (2007, July). *Developmental trajectories of newlyweds’ marital satisfaction*. Poster presented at the International Association for Relationship Research New Scholars Workshop, Boston, MA.
83. **Lavner, J. A., & Heatherington, L.** (2007, June). *Couple therapy preferences: Gender matters (and interacts with sexual orientation)*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Psychotherapy Research, Madison, WI.

Invited Presentations

1. *Enhancing responsive parenting to promote health and well-being among Black infants and their families: The Sleep SAAF trial.* (2023, October). Department of Child and Family Studies, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN.
2. *Enhancing responsive parenting to promote health and well-being among Black infants and their families: The Sleep SAAF trial.* (2023, May). HER NOPREN Early Childhood Work Group.
3. *Enhancing responsive parenting to promote healthy infant development.* (2022, April). Harrington Research Symposium. Amarillo, TX.

4. *A brief introduction to Integrative Behavioral Couple Therapy (IBCT)*. (2020, December). Department of Applied Psychology, New York University, New York, NY.
5. *Understanding what happens after “I do”: Lessons from longitudinal research on newlywed marriage*. (2020, October). Department of Sociology, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.
6. *Clinical considerations when working with sexual minority families*. (2020, January). Continuing education workshop presented for the Athens Area Psychological Association, Athens, GA.
7. *Couple functioning and child development*. (2019, December). Grand Rounds for the Department of Pediatrics, Augusta University / Children’s Hospital of Georgia, Augusta, GA.
8. *A multi-level perspective on stigma and its effects on intimate relationships*. (2019, October). Close Relationships Pre-Conference, Society for Experimental Social Psychology, Toronto, Canada.
9. *Sleep SAAF: A responsive parenting intervention to promote sleep and soothing and prevent rapid weight gain among African American infants*. (2019, September). Department of Foods and Nutrition, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.
10. *Cultivating identity*. (2018, June). Cultivating Change Summit, Des Moines, IA.
11. *Understanding basic research on couple relationships for couple psychotherapists*. (2018, April). Continuing education workshop presented for the Georgia Psychological Association, Athens, GA.
12. *Understanding relationship distress: Insights from basic research and implications for couples interventions*. (2015, November). Continuing education workshop presented for the Athens Area Psychological Association, Athens, GA.
13. *Women as the barometers of newlyweds’ relationship outcomes*. (2015, October). Institute for Women’s Studies, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.
14. *Cultivating identity – Developing a positive LGBT identity*. (2015, August). Cultivating Change Summit, Atlanta, GA.

TEACHING

Undergraduate

General Psychology Honors
 LGBT Families: Perspectives from Social Science
 Psychology of Love (First Year Odyssey)

Psychopathology

Graduate

Clinical Practicum
Clinical Supervision and Consultation
Psychology of Sexual Orientation
Research Design in Clinical Psychology

REVIEWING

Journal Reviewing

Associate Editor

Journal of Family Psychology (2019–2022)

Editorial Boards

American Journal of Orthopsychiatry (2024–2025)
Child Development (2025–)
Family Process (2015–)
Journal of Family Psychology (2016–)
Journal of Family Theory & Review (2025–)
Journal of Marriage and Family (2015–)
Journal of Personality and Social Psychology: Interpersonal Relations and Group Processes (2022–)
Journal of Research in Personality (2018–)
Journal of Social and Personal Relationships (2020–2025)
Personality Disorders: Theory, Research, and Treatment (2021–)

Ad Hoc Reviewer

Academic Pediatrics; Adoption Quarterly; American Journal of Orthopsychiatry; American Psychologist; Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health; Appetite; Brain Behavior and Immunity Integrative; BMC Women's Health; Child Development; Child Development Perspectives; Children and Youth Services Review; Clinical Child and Family Psychology Review; Clinical Psychological Science; Clinical Psychology Review; Communication Studies; Couple and Family Psychology: Research and Practice; Current Directions in Psychological Science; Demography; Development and Psychopathology; Developmental Psychology; Developmental Science; Ethnicity & Health; European Journal of Social Psychology; European Sociological Review; Family Process; Family Relations; Family Science; Health Equity; International Journal of Behavioral Medicine; International Journal of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity; International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health; JAMA Pediatrics; Journal of Adolescence; Journal of Adolescent Health; Journal of Affective Disorders; Journal of Clinical and Translational Research; Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology; Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology; Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology; Journal of Counseling Psychology; Journal of Experimental Psychology: General; Journal of Family Communication; Journal of Family Issues; Journal of Family

Psychology; Journal of Family Studies; Journal of Family Theory & Review; Journal of Gay & Lesbian Social Services; Journal of GLBT Family Studies; Journal of Homosexuality; Journal of Interpersonal Violence; Journal of Lesbian Studies; Journal of Marital and Family Therapy; Journal of Marriage and Family; Journal of Paediatrics and Child Health; Journal of Personality; Journal of Personality and Social Psychology; Journal of Personality Assessment; Journal of Personality Disorders; Journal of Prevention and Health Promotion; Journal of Psychopathology and Clinical Science; Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities; Journal of Research in Childhood Education; Journal of Research in Personality; Journal of Research on Adolescence; Journal of Sleep Research; Journal of Social and Personal Relationships; Journal of Vocational Behavior; Journal of Women & Aging; LGBTQ+ Family: An Interdisciplinary Journal; Marriage and Family Review; Military Psychology; Nutrients; Obesity; Pediatric Obesity; Personal Relationships; Personality and Individual Differences; Personality and Mental Health; Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin; Personality Disorders: Theory, Research, and Treatment; Perspectives on Psychological Science; PLOS ONE; Poverty & Public Policy; Prevention Science; Psychological Science; Psychology and Sexuality; SAGE Open; Sex Roles; Sexual and Relationship Therapy; SLEEP; Social Development; Social Forces; Social Psychological and Personality Science; Social Science & Medicine; Social Science Quarterly; Stress & Health; The Journal of Pediatrics; Violence Against Women

Book Reviewing

American Psychological Association
Cambridge University Press
Oxford University Press
Routledge (Taylor & Francis)
Wiley
W. W. Norton & Company

Grant and Fellowship Reviewing

Administration for Children and Families
Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS)
Israel Science Foundation
National Institutes of Health, Social Psychology, Personality, and Interpersonal Processes (SPIP) Study Section
National Science Foundation
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
United States – Israel Binational Science Foundation

SERVICE

Departmental

2024–	Head's Advisory Committee
2024	Search Committee for Department Head of Psychology
2024	Search Committee for Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychology

2024– Inclusive Excellence Committee
 2024– Undergraduate Studies Committee
 2022– Faculty Mentor
 2022–2024 Personnel Advisory Committee
 2022–2024 Student-Faculty Clinical Area Committee, Elected Representative
 2019–2021 Personnel Advisory Committee (Chair, 2020–2021)
 2018–2020 Quantitative Committee
 2018–2021 Student-Faculty Clinical Area Committee, Elected Representative
 2017 Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Social-Personality Psychology
 2016–2017 Long Range Planning Committee, Elected Representative
 2016–2021 Clinical Area Diversity Committee (Chair, 2019–2021)
 2016 Search Committee for Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychology
 2015 Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology
 2014– Clinical Area Admissions Committee (Chair, 2023–2025; Co-Chair, 2020–2021, 2022–2023)
 2014–2021 Clinical Area Comprehensive Exams Committee (Chair, 2017–2021)
 2014–2017 Student-Faculty Clinical Area Committee, Elected Representative

College and University

2026– Search Committee for Department Head, Department of Human Development and Family Science
 2025– Franklin College Promotion and Tenure Committee for the Social & Behavioral Sciences, Member
 2025 Task Force on Preeminence in Health and Medicine, Member
 2023–2024 UGA Accelerate, Convener
 2022– Center for Family Research (CFR) Executive Committee, Member
 2022–2025 University Council, Representative
 2022–2025 Search Committee for Assistant/Associate Professor of Couple and Family Therapy, Department of Human Development and Family Science
 2020–2021 Owens Institute for Behavioral Research, Seed Grant Reviewer
 2019–2021 Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, Mentor
 2019–2021 Program Review and Assessment Committee, Member
 2019– Student Veterans Resource Center, Transition Coach
 2019–2020 Owens Institute for Behavioral Research, 50th Anniversary Academic Planning Committee
 2018–2021 Phi Beta Kappa, Treasurer
 2018–2020 UGA Undergraduate Admissions, First Look Academic Panelist
 2017–2018 Owens Institute for Behavioral Research, Seed Grant Reviewer
 2016– UGA Pride Center, Faculty Liaison

Professional

2025– Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS) Review Committee, Member

2025 National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine, Consensus Study on The Early Relational Health Determinants of Future Health and Wellbeing ([“Early Relational Health: Building Foundations for Child, Family, and Community Well-Being”](#)), Committee Member

2024–2025 Council on Contemporary Families, Board of Directors, Member

2023– Family Process Institute, Board of Directors, Member (Vice President, 2026–2028)

2019–2021 International Association for Relationship Research, Program Committee

2018 Georgia Psychological Association, Student Poster Judge

2018 International Association for Relationship Research, Scientific Program Reviewer

2017–2020 Academy of Psychological Clinical Science, Student Engagement Co-Chair

2015–2018 ABCT Couples SIG, SIG Expo Abstract Review Committee

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