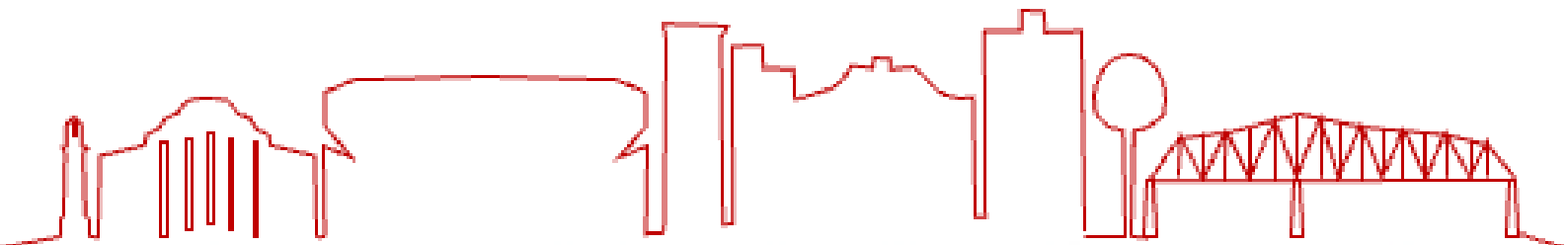




**2023**

# **International Association for Relationship Research**



**THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA<sup>®</sup>**

**Mini-Conference**



**Dark Side of Relationships  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama**

## **Conference Program Schedule Summary**

### **Thursday, June 8: Innovative Methods Pre-Conference**

*Reese Phifer Hall*

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8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Registration in Reese Phifer Hall
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Continental Breakfast & Lab Tours
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Methods for Integrating Diversity and Intersectionality
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Navigating Dark Side Relationship Research
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Optional: Hallowed Ground Tour of University of Alabama
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Registration in Hotel Capstone
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Opening Mini-Conference Reception at Gorgas House

### **Friday, June 9: Day 1**

*Hotel Capstone*

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8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration / Breakfast
8:30 AM – 9:45 AM	Session I
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM	Session II
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Lunch and
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Dr. Susan Boon Keynote Session
1:15 PM – 2:30 PM	Session III
2:45 PM – 4:00 PM	Session IV
4:15 PM – 6:30 PM	Optional: Tuscaloosa Civil Rights History Trail Tour
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Optional: Live at the Plaza (Downtown Tuscaloosa)

### **Saturday, June 10: Day 2**

*Bryant Conference Center*

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8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:30 AM – 9:45 AM	Session V
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM	Session VI
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Lunch and
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Dr. Brian Spitzberg Keynote Session
1:15 PM – 2:30 PM	Session VII
2:45 PM – 4:00 PM	Session VIII
7:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Closing Reception at Dillard's Chophouse (Atomic downstairs)

**Welcome to the International Association for Relationship Research Mini-Conference!**

On behalf of the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR) Mini-Conference Planners, welcome to the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. We have been dreaming of hosting this conference for many years. Finally, following the unprecedented circumstances with COVID-19, we are excited to see it happening.

IARR offers the ability for multidisciplinary and international representation from a diverse network of scholars. We hope that you enjoy the exceptional selection of scholarship with participation from over 60 universities and colleges represented from ten different countries. You and your colleagues submitted important, interesting, and remarkable proposals. Thank you for supporting our conference and making it possible through your scholarship and participation.

Our pre-conference on Thursday offers the opportunity to reflect and discuss the notions of inclusivity, diversity, and dark side related research with seasoned scholars asking us to critically think through research design. On Friday and Saturday, our sessions are devoted to participants presenting and sharing their latest research initiatives. We have organized a slate of activities that include expanding your knowledge of local history through university and community tours, tasting the local and regional cuisine, and singing at karaoke to close the conference. Throughout the conference, we hope you will enjoy the attractions of Tuscaloosa while you are here. There are many historical sites, museums, restaurants, sports culture, parks, and shops within close proximity.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make this conference possible. We would like to thank IARR leadership, especially Dr. Stanley Gaines for his continued support and encouragement. We would like to thank College of Communication & Information Sciences (C&IS) former Dean Mark Nelson and current Dean Brian Butler, College of Human Environmental Sciences (CHES) Dean Stuart Usdan, Dr. Beth Bennett (former Associate Dean for C&IS), and Department of Communication Studies Chair Dr. Darrin Griffin. Additionally, we have many to thank around the university and community including University of Alabama Graduate School, Supe Store, and City of Tuscaloosa for offering sponsorship with the Tuscaloosa Tourism Grant.

Casey Totenhagen



Robert Laird



Leah LeFebvre



Josh Pederson

We look forward to an enriching and valuable experience together during your time in Alabama. We hope you all enjoy the conference!

## **Welcome from Deans Brian Butler (C&IS) and Stuart Usdan (CHES)**

Welcome to the University of Alabama College of Communication and Information Sciences. We are pleased to have you here for the IARR 2023 Mini-Conference on the Dark Side of Relationships.

In a world prone to bouts of utopian thinking, close scrutiny and deep expertise in the dark side of relationships is essential. Whether providing life-guidance for individuals or evaluating the implications of new social technologies, there is a strong tendency toward optimism about the power of relationships. Time and time again, this has led to “unintended consequences” when their dark sides are rediscovered.

Work on and discussion of these important aspects of our lives is critical and not without cost. Your willingness to devote your time, effort, and attention to these sometimes difficult topics is appreciated. We hope that your time with colleagues at the University of Alabama is informative, productive, and exhilarating.

Thank you and Roll Tide!

*Dean Brian Butler*



Welcome friends and colleagues to the IARR Mini-Conference on The Dark Side of Relationships. As dean of the College of Human Environmental Sciences, I am proud of the work we do every day to carry out our mission of improving lives. Each of our diverse areas of study impacts the human condition, whether it is through interior design or public health or human nutrition, our graduates leave here ready to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

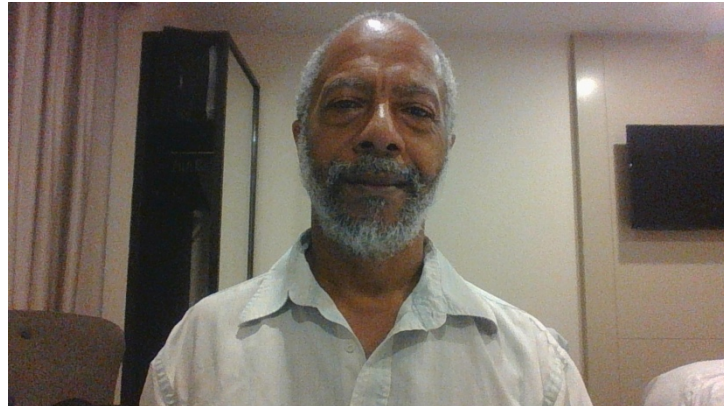
Our Department of Human Development and Family Studies (HDFS) is no exception. With its focus on helping children, families, and relationships thrive, faculty work to prepare the next generation of professionals to serve and lead. We offer majors in early childhood education, addiction and recovery studies, and human development and family studies. Woven throughout the HDFS curriculum is the study of human interactions, and we are pleased to collaborate with the College of Communication and Information Sciences and the International Association for Relationship Research to advance the scientific study of personal and social relationships.

*Dean Stuart Usdan*

## ***From the Desk of IARR President Dr. Stanley O. Gaines***

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On behalf of IARR, I welcome you to the Dark Side of Relationships mini-conference, hosted by the University of Alabama (UA) during June 8-10! Following an Innovative Methods pre-conference workshop and an Opening Reception on June 8, we can look forward to keynote addresses by Susan Boon and Brian Spitzberg; several sessions during each of those days; campus and community tours; and a Closing Reception (possibly involving songbirds?!?), across June 9 and 10. Special thanks in advance to Leah LeFebvre, Josh Pederson, Casey Totenhagen, and Robert Laird for their wonderful efforts in organising this mini-conference. I look forward to seeing you!



I wish to share a set of expected behaviors at IARR main conferences and mini-conferences, drawing upon language from our Ad Hoc Committee on Misconduct. Given that we are still looking into legal issues concerning the potential implementation of a Code of Conduct (kindly supplied by the DEI Committee, and reviewed by the Ad Hoc Committee on Misconduct), the following guidelines should help ensure safe conference experiences for our attendees our mini-conference in and the upcoming main conference in Boston, in 2024.

Expected behaviors include, but are not limited to:

- Communicate professionally and constructively, both in-person and online, using language that is welcoming and inclusive. Remain courteous and civil when handling dissent or disagreement, show respect when giving feedback, and be open to alternate points of view.
- Use social media and other online platforms responsibly. Do not share or disseminate any confidential, sensitive, or proprietary information without prior consent.
- Take proactive steps to help prevent or mitigate harassment or harm to other participants, such as informing event staff if you witness a situation where someone may be in danger of being harassed.
- Demonstrate respect for any presentations, panelists, or other speakers by complying with the instructions of the moderator and any other event staff.
- Report any incidents of misconduct as soon as possible.

We have posted a link to University of Alabama's anti-harassment policy (<https://uact.ua.edu/information/harassment>) on our conference website <https://iarr2023.ua.edu/>.

Please consult if you wish to report incidents of misconduct during or after the mini-conference.

# ***International Association for Relationship Research***

## ***Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement***

As an organization focused on social relationships, we at IARR are aware of the value and importance of diversity in both our scholarship and membership. Recognizing that our scholarship is shaped by our historical, cultural, economic, social, and disciplinary contexts, we are striving to achieve membership that is diverse in identities, nationalities, disciplines, career stages, and all other forms. A diverse membership that encompasses various perspectives and experiences strengthens our research, scholarship, and practice.

We understand that achieving diversity and inclusion in our organization and scholarship is an ongoing process that requires both commitment and proactive work. Moreover, we believe that it is not enough to have a diverse membership. Groups and disciplines that have been historically underrepresented within our organization must also share in its governance and the shaping of IARR's future. Furthermore, it is imperative that the experiences of diverse people and relationship styles and structures are understood through the lens of a myriad of cultures and disciplines. As such, in addition to our ongoing commitment to diversity and inclusion, we can be enhanced at IARR. IARR will be most effective as an organization when its membership reflects the diversity in the world in which we live and we endeavor to become an inclusive organization that respects, values and honors every member.

### ***IARR is committed to the following principles:***

- Diversity of identity and inclusion of underrepresented groups are crucial to the mission and governance of IARR.
- International presence and disciplinary diversity are essential to the mission, governance and reach of IARR.
- Understanding and addressing the lived experiences of underrepresented groups are intrinsic to understanding interpersonal relationships.
- Diversity of membership and perspectives in the IARR Board, standing committees, and the editorial boards of our journals (*Personal Relationships*; *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*) ensures all voices are heard.

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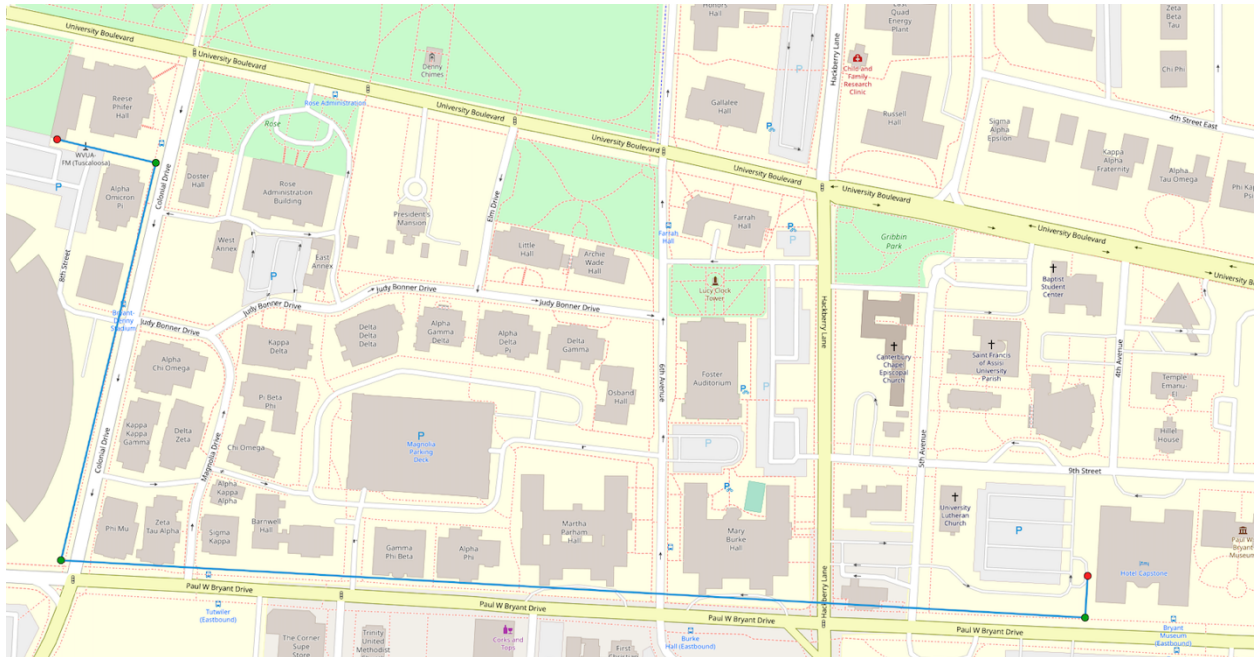
## ***Land Acknowledgement***

The IARR Mini-Conference Planning Committee acknowledges that our events in the Tuscaloosa community are being hosted on traditional Creek and Choctaw lands. We recognize that Poarch Creek, Mississippi Choctaws, and other tribal communities continue to be tied closely to this land. We come together to learn and grow on hallowed ground. We also acknowledge that from 1831 to 1865, the University of Alabama was built and maintained by enslaved people. We acknowledge that Black students were withheld from the promise of education by segregation. We honor those displaced and oppressed in the making of this institution.

**Thursday, June 8**

**Reese Phifer Hall**

**Innovative Methods Pre-Conference**



Address: 901 University Boulevard



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**Registration** **8:30 – 10:00**

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Plan to register prior to the pre-conference in Reese Phifer Hall Room 458.

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**Breakfast and Lab Open House** **9:00 – 9:45**

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Come enjoy our continental breakfast provided and morning conversation with attendees. Breakfast will include pasty platter, scones, mini muffins, fruit, and coffee, tea, and juice.

Our College of Communication & Information Sciences (C&IS) Lab Spaces will open and available for you to tour. C&IS and the Institute for Communication and Information Research are home to research labs, interview rooms, observation rooms, and collaboration spaces including child and family media lab, clinic observation room system, health communication and biometrics lab, public opinion lab, standardized patient lab, and theatre lab. Our new Associate Dean of Research, Scholarship, and Creative

Activity, Dr. Rebecca Britt will be available to offer a tour and answer questions about our facilities throughout breakfast and several graduate students use the research resources.

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**Methods for Integrating Diversity and Intersectionality in Your Research** 10:00 – 12:00

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10:05 – 10:35 **Dr. TeKisha Rice**, *Virginia Tech*  
Whose Knowledge, Whose Knowing? Honoring and Acknowledging Diverse and Intersectional Perspectives in Relationship Science

10:40 – 11:10 **Dr. Hannah Williamson**, *University of Texas Austin*  
Innovative Strategies for Improving Sample Diversity in Relationship Science

11:10 – 11:30 Question & Answer Session

11:30 – 12:00 Interactive Discussions Amongst Participants and Presenters

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12:00 – 1:00 Lunch from *Jason's Deli*

Boxed lunches will be served with selected meat choices (chicken salad, ham, roast beef, smoked turkey, tuna, and vegetarian options). Sandwiches will come with lettuce, tomato, and cheese and include chips, pickle, and chocolate chip cookie dessert. Lemonade, tea, and sodas will be available for drinks.

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**Navigating Darkside Relationship Research** 1:00 – 3:00

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1:05 – 1:35 **Dr. Jessi Eckstein**, *Western Connecticut University*  
Practical Tips to Address Law vs Ethics in Darkside Studies

1:40 – 2:10 **Dr. Dana Weiser**, *Texas Tech University*  
These Are My Confessions: Lessons Learned for Conducting Infidelity Research

2:10 – 2:30 Question & Answer Session

2:30 – 3:00 Interactive Discussions Amongst Participants and Presenters

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3:00 -3:10 Conclude Pre-Conference



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**Registration****3:30 – 4:30**

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Consider registering at Hotel Capstone foyer prior to the Opening Conference Reception.

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**Optional: Hallowed Grounds Campus Tour****3:30 – 4:30**

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**Hallowed Grounds: Race, Slavery, and the University**

Dr. Erin Stoneking, *University of Alabama*, Assistant Professor of Gender and Race Studies

Creator: In 2016 by Dr. Hilary N. Green, James B. Duke Professor of Africana Studies at Davidson College developed the Hallowed Grounds Tour when at the UA. This tour seeks to shed light onto the lives, experiences, and legacy of the many enslaved men, women, and children who lived, worked, and even died at the University of Alabama, 1829-1865.

Visit: Dr. Green's website for more information about the Hallowed Grounds Project  
<https://hgreen.people.ua.edu/hallowed-grounds-project.html>

Departure: The tour departs and ends at the Gorgas House near the Quad (green space) in the center of campus. Please note the tour is an outdoor walking tour. Participants should dress with comfortable shoes and bring water. There is no cost for this tour, but space is limited.

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**Opening Reception for Mini-Conference****5:00 – 7:00**

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*Welcome to the 2023 Mini-Conference in Tuscaloosa, Alabama on the University of Alabama*

Our opening reception is located at the oldest building on the University of Alabama's campus, Gorgas House Museum, built in 1829. It originally served as a dining hall and steward's residence, and later as a lecture space, post office, and campus hospital. The Gorgas House is one of four main buildings that remained after the Civil War. The building is added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1971. We will celebrate the start to our mini-conference and by welcoming everyone to Tuscaloosa. We will feature drinks (beer, wine, soda, and flavored water) and hors d'oeuvres! Please join to welcome and meet new and old associations.

Address: 810 Capstone Drive (approximately a 15-minute walk from Hotel Capstone)  
Located off the Quadrangle of the University of Alabama campus  
Situated on the corner of McCorvey and Capstone Drives



## **Friday, June 9**

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**Hotel Capstone**

320 Paul W Bryant Dr, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

**8:00 AM – 8:30 AM**

**Registration and Breakfast**

**Outside Ballrooms**

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We will have registration open during breakfast for all conference attendees to check in.

Breakfast includes assorted petit quiches, assorted muffins and pastries with butter, jam, and preserves, fresh seasonal fruit, sausage and vegetarian hot rolls, and juice, water, and coffee.

### **Session I: 8:30 AM – 9:45 AM**

**Panel 1: Symposium**

**Ballroom A**

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*Moderator:* Richard Mattson, *Binghamton University*

**Contextual and Dispositional Influences on Flirtation, Sexual Motives, Perceived Consent and Sexual Aggression in Emerging Adulthood**

***Judging A Book By Its Cover: Men Evaluate Sexualized Women As More Attractive But Less Socially Desirable***

Allison McKinnon, *Binghamton University*

Leah Cingranelli, *Binghamton University*

Sofia Diorio, *Binghamton University*

Richard Mattson, *Binghamton University*

***Alexithymia in Male-Perpetrated Sexual Aggression***

Solange Roussetzki, *Binghamton University*

Michael Shaw, *Binghamton University*

Richard Mattson, *Binghamton University*

***The Relevance of Affective Experience in Perpetration of Dating Violence: A Framework and Empirical Test***

Michael Shaw, *Binghamton University*

Allison McKinnon, *Binghamton University*

Richard Mattson, *Binghamton University*

**Investigating The Effect of Relative Physical Attractiveness And Sex On Perceived Sexual Interest**

Crystal Zhu, *Binghamton University*

Emily Bibby, *Binghamton University*

Richard Mattson, *Binghamton University*

Alyssa Miville, *Binghamton University*

***Consent In Context: A Novel Experimental Paradigm To Assess College Students' Perceptions Of Sexual Consent***

Maggie Parker, *Binghamton University*

Richard Mattson, *Binghamton University*

## **Panel 2: Perceptions of Partners and Support**

**Ballroom D**

*Moderator: Josh Pederson, University of Alabama*

### ***What Else Was I Supposed to do?": Theorizing About Deceptive Support Provision***

*Kylie Johnson, Colorado State University*

*Meara Faw, Colorado State University*

*Josh Pederson, University of Alabama*

### ***Red Flags: Biased Evaluations of Romantic Partners and Their Behaviors Through Inclusion of Other in the Self***

*Jacqueline Lechuga, University of Texas at El Paso*

*Jessica Bray, University of Texas at El Paso*

*Anahi Morales, University of Texas at El Paso*

*Michael Zárate, University of Texas at El Paso*

### ***The Couples Coping Enhancement Training - Sexual Minority Stress (CCET-SMS) Relationship Education Program: Feasibility, Acceptability, and Preliminary Efficacy***

*Emma G. Calveri, Arizona State University*

*Ashley K. Randall, Arizona State University*

*Casey J. Totenhagen, University of Alabama*

*Mel Holman, Arizona State University*

*Courtney Irwin, Arizona State University*

*Guy Bodenmann, University of Zurich*

*Karissa Greving, Arizona State University*

*Sharon Rostosky, University of Kentucky*

## **Session II: 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM**

## **Panel 1: Data Blitz**

**Ballroom A**

*Moderator: Robert Laird, University of Alabama*

### ***Don't You Trust Me?: Examining the Moderation of Situationships on Communication and Trust***

*Celia Tseyen Lee, Florida State University*

*Arielle Podberesky, Florida State University*

*Lyra Toohey, Florida State University*

*Mickey Langlais, Florida State University*

### ***Self-Expansion within Sexual Minority Relationships***

*Kevin McIntyre, Trinity University*

*Brent Mattingly, Ursinus College*

*Illana Issula, Trinity University*

*Sarah Stanton, University of Edinburgh*

### ***Hook, Line And Sinker: Why People Catfish Others On Online Dating Apps***

*Janneke Schokkenbroek, Ghent University*

*Wim Hardyns, Ghent University*

*Koen Ponnet, Ghent University*

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**Panel 2: Workplace Drama****Ballroom D***Moderator: Tim Worley, University of North Alabama***“Why Are You So Problematic?”: Dysfunction in Graduate Mentoring***Alejandra Durán Trinidad, Purdue University**Melanie Morgan, Purdue University***Relational Aspects Affecting Intent to Leave an Agency***Anita Barbee, University of Louisville**Michael Cunningham, University of Louisville**Lisa Purdy, University of Louisville***Blurred Lines: Communication Privacy Management Theory and Cybersexual Harassment in the Workplace***Allison Mazur, University of California Santa Barbara**Nitzan Navick, University of California Santa Barbara**Jennifer Gibbs, University of California Santa Barbara***Unpacking the Potential for Cybervetting to Combat Gender-Biased Judgments in Hiring: Attributional Augmenting to the Rescue***Yoonsung Cho, University of Alabama**Maura Mills, University of Alabama**Angela Grotto, Manhattan College*

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**11:30 AM – 12:00 PM Lunch****Ballrooms B & C**

Southern buffet: grilled chicken breast with Honey Dijon mustard sauce, catfish filets, southern green beans and squash casserole, mashed potatoes, bread pudding, and peach cobbler.

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**12:00 PM – 1:00 Keynote: Dr. Susan Boon****Responses to Interpersonal Wrongdoing**

Prominent public and academic discourses on forgiveness in Western society portray forgiveness as an ideal response to wrongdoing and most other means of responding to injury or offense as problematic in important respects. Perhaps because such pro-forgiveness perspectives dominate both lay and academic thinking on the matter, relationship scientists who study what relational partners do in the aftermath of bad relationship behaviour have focused their attention on forgiveness to a much greater extent than on its alternatives. The present paper identifies the relative lack of research on revenge, unforgiveness, and grudge-holding as an important gap in our literature. It also calls into question the merit of the belief that forgiving is an almost universally beneficial response to wrongdoing, challenges assumptions that guide research and theorizing in this area, and considers methodological and ethical issues with which those who investigate responses to wrongdoing must grapple.

**Session III: 1:15 PM – 2:30 PM**

**Mediated Communication & Social Media Use**

**Ballroom A**

*Moderator: Leah LeFebvre, University of Alabama*

***BeReal: Motives For Its Use And Relationship To Body Satisfaction And Perfectionism***

*Pavica Sheldon, University of South Alabama*

*Kate Wall, University of South Alabama*

*Emily Keith, University of South Alabama*

***“For Us Page”: A Mixed Methods Study of TikTok and Romantic Relationships***

*Leena Asad, Florida State University*

*Cameron Boudreau, Florida State University*

*Mickey Langlais, Florida State University*

***What’s Best for Promoting Romantic Relationship Quality?: A Comparison of Online and Offline Interactions***

*Chengfei Jiao, Florida State University*

*Mickey Langlais, Florida State University*

*Gwendolyn Seidman, Albright College*

**Violence and Abuse**

**Ballroom D**

*Moderator: Erin Basinger, University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

***“It’s Way Worse Than You Think!”: Reliability and Construct Validities of Tactics’ Perceived Severity in the Technology-Mediated Abuse (TMA) Scale***

*Jessica Eckstein, Western Connecticut State University*

***Do Victims and Perpetrators Justify Violence Even While They See It Happening in Front of Their Eyes?***

*Cantyo Atindriyo Dannisworo, Radboud University*

*Esther Kluwer, Utrecht University*

*Ximena Arriaga, Purdue University*

*Ruddy Faure, Radboud University*

*Yannick Griep, Radboud University*

*Johan C. Karremans, Radboud University*

***IPV by Relationship Type among College Students in both Romantic and Friends with Benefits Relationships***

*Rebecca Weston, University of Texas at San Antonio*

*Margaret DiCocco, University of Texas at San Antonio*

**Session IV: 2:45 PM – 4:00 PM**

**Relationships in Adolescence/Emerging Adults**

**Ballroom A**

*Moderator: Pavica Sheldon, University of South Alabama*

***An Exploration of College Students' Roommate Conflict During University COVID-19 Mitigation Efforts***

David Roaché, *Christopher Newport University*  
Hannah Brett, *Christopher Newport University*  
Rachel Smith, *Christopher Newport University*  
Carley Strausser, *Christopher Newport University*

***Early Adolescents' Enemy Relationships Features: Scale Development and Initial Findings***

Noel Card, *University of Georgia*  
Morgan Munoz, *University of Georgia*

***Overt and Relational Aggression Participant Roles Uniquely Link to Psychopathic Traits Among Adolescents***

Deborah Casper, *University of Alabama*  
Alexandria Johnson, *Ball State University*  
Andrea Glen, *University of Alabama*  
Blair Batky, *University of Alabama*  
Randy Salekin, *University of Alabama*

**Complexities of Contemporary Disconnection**

**Ballroom D**

*Moderator: Mickey Langlais, Florida State University*

***No Boo for You: What Do People Do After Being Ghosted?***

Maureen Coyle, *Widener University*

***Give Up the Ghost: Understanding Emotional Responses To Romantic Ghosting Using An Experimental Design***

Amanda Szczesniak, *Wayne State University*  
Mary Pierce, *Wayne State University*  
Stephanie Spielmann, *Wayne State University*

***Ghoster Regret: Exploring Antecedents and Consequences of the Decision to Ghost***

Leah LeFebvre, *University of Alabama*  
Cameron Panhans, *University of Alabama*  
Mike Allen, *University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee*

## **Optional Evening Activities**

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### **4:15 PM – 6:30 PM Tuscaloosa Civil Rights History Trail Tour**

Sponsored by the Tuscaloosa Civil Rights History and Reconciliation Foundation

To understand Tuscaloosa's place in civil rights history, it is necessary to consider the factors that led to the local movement. Our trail includes stories of enslaved people auctioned before the Civil War, Native Americans exiled from their homelands, exclusionary legislation passed at the Alabama State Capitol in Tuscaloosa, lynchings in the local area, and the presence of the United Klans of America, headquartered in Tuscaloosa. It also includes stories of segregated schools, churches, stores, restaurants, and movie theaters. Most importantly this trail is the history of how Tuscaloosa's color barrier was broken by the courageous efforts of many Black and a few white foot soldiers.

Time: Tour bus departs from Hotel Capstone at 4:15 PM and returns by 6:30 PM.  
Cost: There is no cost for this tour, but space is limited. Cash donations are accepted.

### **6:00 PM – 9:00 PM Live at the Plaza: Free Outdoor Music in Downtown Tuscaloosa**

*Free, Live, Local Music at the Government Plaza Downtown, 618 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue*

Sponsored by Coca-Cola and Avenue Pub + The Wine Market, join us every Friday in June and July from 6:00 – 9:00 PM, on Government Plaza for free, live, and local music (The 3 Thirty Three Band (6:00 – 6:45) and John Wilson Band (7:00 – 9:00). Live at the Plaza is family (and pet!) friendly with a Kid Zone available for fun activities.

### **Self-Paced Walking tours (Links available on mini-conference website):**

[Atherine Lucy: Forgotten Hero](#)

An Alternative Campus Tour on Race & Memory at the University of Alabama  
Created by Dr. Meredith M. Bagley

[Hallowed Grounds Self-Paced Tour](#) (via Google Maps)

## **Saturday, June 10**

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**Bryant Conference Center**

240 Paul W Bryant Dr, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

**8:00 AM – 8:30 AM**

**Breakfast**

**Outside of Rast Room**

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Breakfast includes baked oatmeal with strawberries, breakfast casserole, cheese grits, assorted seasonal fruits, mini muffins, mini scones, and juice, water, tea, and coffee.

### **Session V: 8:30 AM – 9:45 AM**

#### **Parent/Child Relationships Complexities**

**Lackey**

*Moderator: Anita Barbee, University of Louisville*

#### **Parent-Student Relational Turbulence During Lockdown: COVID-19 Stressors, Appraisals, and Emotions**

Tim Worley, *University of North Alabama*

Madison Mucci-Ferris, *University of Iowa*

#### **How Do Parent-Adolescent Conflicts Influence Adolescent Well-Being? A Daily Diary Study with Multiple Family Members' Perspectives**

Pratibha Gautam, *University of Alabama*

Korina Odom, *University of Alabama*

Mengya Xia, *University of Alabama*

#### **Through A Lens Darkly: Current Personal And Relationship Experiences Warp Childhood Memories Over Time**

William Chopik, *Michigan State University*

Jeewon Oh, *Syracuse University*

Sneha Challa, *Michigan State University*

Hannah Hua, *Michigan State University*

Julia Maahs, *Michigan State University*

Jacqui Smith, *University of Michigan*

#### **Interdependence and Investment in Relationships**

**Wilson**

*Moderator: Casey Totenhagen, University of Alabama*

#### **Shared Time and Relationship Functioning: Results of Two Studies**

Thomas Ledermann, *Florida State University*

Claudia Lombris, *University of Bern*

Katharina Kreamsreiter, *Psychiatrisch-Psychotherapeutische Praxengemeinschaft Kaiserstrasse*

Selin Karakose, *Florida State University*

Bogdan Lazurenko, *Florida State University*

Isabela Alvarado, *Florida State University*

Myriam Rudaz, *Florida State University*

Joseph G. Grzywacz, *Florida State University*



***The “Ball and Chain” Phenomenon: How Married Men Experience Their Role as a Husband***

Emma Willi-Grossmann, *Texas Tech University*  
Anna Boyles, *Texas Tech University*  
Aubrey Pickett, *Texas Tech University*  
Henry Ainsworth, *Texas Tech University*  
Kennedy Carmichael, *Texas Tech University*  
Virginia Elder, *Texas Tech University*  
Sydney Gendron, *Texas Tech University*  
Allie Colan, *Texas Tech University*  
Katey Halcomb, *Texas Tech University*  
Kinsey Hines, *Texas Tech University*  
Alan Reifman, *Texas Tech University*  
Sylvia Niehuis, *Texas Tech University*

***Explicating Reserve Relationships***

David Henningsen, *Northern Illinois University*  
Mary Lynn Henningsen, *Northern Illinois University*  
Denise Lee, *Northern Illinois University*  
Xuan Qian, *Northern Illinois University*

**Session VI: 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM**

**The Many Shades of Infidelity**

**Lackey**

*Moderator: David Roaché, Christopher Newport University*

***It's a Family Affair: Navigating Experiences of Parental Infidelity***

Allison Thorson, *University of San Francisco*  
Manasi Shankar, *University of San Francisco*  
Dana Weiser, *Texas Tech University*

***Faithless Love: A Review of Research Linking Sociosexuality and Infidelity***

Dana Weiser, *Texas Tech University*  
Randi Black, *Texas Tech University*

***The Devil You Know and Love: Aversion to Relational Uncertainty Predicts Continued Emotional Attachment to Ex-Partners***

Stephanie Spielmann, *Wayne State University*  
Geoff MacDonald, *University of Toronto*  
Samantha Joel, *Western University*  
Emily Impett, *University of Toronto Mississauga*

***"I Can't Live Like This Anymore": Mortality Salience, Felt Constraint, and Authenticity in Dissolution Consideration***

Elyse Blake, *Adelphi University*

## **Stigmatization & Health Outcomes**

**Wilson**

*Moderator: Heather Love, University of Alabama*

### ***The Relationships Between Loneliness and Mental And Physical Health Are Moderated By The Tendency For Interpersonal Victimhood: A Study Of Young Adult Cancer Patients***

*Colter Ray, Louisiana State University*

### ***Associations Between Insecure Attachment and Mental Health in Married Couples***

*Selin Karakose, Florida State University*

*Thomas Ledermann, Florida State University*

### ***Stigma, Self-Care, and Relationship Satisfaction Among Black Americans with Type 2 Diabetes***

*Erin Basinger, University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

*Shanice Jones Cameron, University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

*Gracie Allen, University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

*Mahrukh Maqsood, University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

## **11:30 – 12:00 Lunch**

**Rast Room**

Jim N' Nick's BBQ Buffet: pulled pork and chicken, potato salad, mac and cheese, garden salad, and banana pudding. The buffet will also include BBQ sauce, famous cheese biscuits, and buns. Beverages will include water, lemonade, tea, and soft drinks.

## **12:00 – 1:00 Keynote: Dr. Brian Spitzberg**

### ***Conceptualizing the Dark Side: Paradigm, Theory or Fad?***



Despite ubiquitous appearances of panels, articles and books using "the dark side" moniker, at the same time it is often obvious that (1) many people misinterpret its meaning (typically associating it exclusively with evil or harmful processes) and that (2) many people applying approaches compatible with the dark side nevertheless avoid its use as a framing perspective. In this context, this presentation seeks to address whether the dark side is merely an overly cute but unnecessary and perhaps distracting label, an actual theory itself, or actually a paradigm. An argument is proposed that it is neither fad nor theory, but that it does qualify as a paradigm. This position is elaborated by (1) specifying the nature of theories and paradigms and (2) elaborating one (which may be among many) particular approach(es) to the dark side that fulfills the criteria of paradigm.

**Session VII: 1:15 PM – 2:30 PM**

**Secrecy and Deception**

**Lackey**

*Moderator: Colter Ray, Louisiana State University*

***Truth-Default Theory: Toward a New Understanding of Human Deception***

*Timothy Levine, University of Alabama Birmingham*

***How Much Does It Weigh On You?: Exploring The Personal And Relational Consequences Of Secrecy Burden***

*Alisa Bedrov, University of California, Santa Barbara*

*Shelly L. Gable, University of California, Santa Barbara*

***Privacy Violations by Parents, Siblings, and Friends of Adolescents***

*Robert Laird, University of Alabama*

**Health and Stigma**

**Wilson**

*Moderator: Rebecca Britt, University of Alabama*

***Conversations Around Menstruation: How Does This Shape Experiences?***

*Cristina Lopez, University of Nevada, Reno*

*Piyada Sriphong-Ngarm, University of Nevada, Reno*

*Katie Cunius, University of Nevada, Reno*

*Chalyss Evans, University of Nevada, Reno*

*Pamela B. Payne, University of Nevada, Reno*

***“She Didn’t Think Fat Women Deserved To Have Children”: Memorable Messages From Healthcare Providers in the Context of Fat Pregnancy***

*Erin Basinger, University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

*Margaret Quinian, University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

***The Impact of Relational Dynamics on Suicidal Ideation***

*Heather Love, University of Alabama*

*Maria Gurganus, University of Alabama*

***It's Not a Competition: Attachment Anxiety and a Competitive Approach to Self-Esteem***

*Sebastian Odell, University of Sheffield*

*Kathy Carnelley, University of Southampton*

*Abigail Millings, Sheffield Hallam University*

*Jilly Gibson-Miller, University of Sheffield*

***An Epidemic or Symptom of Unreconciled Friendships? Gossiping Among Individuals Who Remain Connected to their Former Friends on Social Media***

Tiffany Green, *University of Alabama*

Deborah Casper, *University of Alabama*

***Do Siblings Know Best?: The Role of Sibling Approval for Romantic Relationships***

Katherine Ayers, *Florida State University*

Mickey Langlais, *Florida State University*

***Exploring The Association Between Religiosity And Sociosexual Orientation***

Sofia Diorio, *Binghamton University*

Crystal Zhu, *Binghamton University*

Alyssa Miville, *Binghamton University*

Michael Shaw, *Binghamton University*

Richard Mattson, *Binghamton University*

***Exploring the Motivational Factors of Infidelity in Romantic Relationships***

Md Oliullah, *University of South Alabama*

***Feasibility and Acceptability of a Peer Group Intervention to Enhance Future-Orientation***

Tricia Witte, *The University of Alabama*

Karly Downs, *The University of Alabama*

Deborah Casper, *The University of Alabama*

Robert Laird, *The University of Alabama*

Allison Cross, *The University of Alabama*

***Friends-First Romantic Relationship Initiation***

Erin Lowey, *University of Victoria*

Danu Stinson, *University of Victoria*

Kelci Harris, *University of Victoria*

Jessica Cameron, *University of Manitoba*

***From Tension to Trauma: Navigating the Violence Cycle in Intimate Relationships***

Sumeyya Akdilek, *Texas Tech University*

***Helping or Harming? The Effect Of Weight-Related Social Control, Distress, And Weight-Based Rejection Sensitivity On Wellbeing***

Julie Tobin, *Indiana University Kokomo*

Melissa Plaufcan, *Pennsylvania State University*

***How Service Members' Moral Injury Can Affect Couple Relationships***

Clairee Peterson, *University of Georgia*

Catherine O'Neal, *University of Georgia*

**Implications of Choice on Perceptions of Marriage**

Glenn Adams, *University of Kansas*  
Syed Muhammad Omar, *University of Kansas*  
Niva Manchanda, *University of Kansas*  
Sindhuja Manda, *University of Kansas*

***“Is Love Real?”: Understanding the Role of Intentionality with the Five Love Languages***

Victoria Pagan, *Florida State University*  
Mickey Langlais, *Florida State University*

***Is Shame Satisfying? A Family Communication Patterns Approach to Shame and Relationship Satisfaction in the Parent-Child Dyad***

Karissa Hernandez, *University of Texas at Austin*

***Item Response Theory Analyses of the Relationship Disillusionment Scale***

Alan Reifman, *Texas Tech University*  
Sylvia Niehuis, *Texas Tech University*

***“Just LMK When You Want to Have Sex”: An Exploratory-Descriptive Qualitative Analysis of Sexting in Emerging Adult Couples***

Bridget Jules, *University of North Carolina Charlotte*  
Jasmine Temple, *University of North Carolina Charlotte*  
Mia Ersoff, *University of North Carolina Charlotte*  
Sam Webb, *University of North Carolina Charlotte*  
Jessamyn Bowling, *University of North Carolina Charlotte*  
Erika Montanaro, *University of North Carolina Charlotte*

***Left on Read: A Qualitative Look at College Students’ Perspectives on Ghosting***

Miari Davidson, *University of Central Oklahoma*  
Kerry Morgan, *University of Central Oklahoma*

***Mortality Salience, Worldviews, and Shared Meaning: Consideration for a Terror Management Perspective of Communication Theory***

Joseph Honeycutt, *University of Alabama*

***Personality, Motives, and Disillusionment Associated with Dating-App Usage***

Abigail Jordan, *Texas Tech University*  
Sylvia Niehuis, *Texas Tech University*  
Alan Reifman, *Texas Tech University*  
Emma Willis-Grossmann, *Texas Tech University*

***Playing the Blame Game: A Systematic Review of Negative Communication Styles in Romantic Couples***

Madeline Jubran, *Nova Southeastern University*  
Emily Georgia Salivar, *Nova Southeastern University*

***Sex Education and Acknowledgment Status***

Annie Boyles, *Texas Tech University*  
Dana Weiser, *Texas Tech University*  
Monica Martin, *Texas Tech University*

***Shared Time, Depression, and Relationship Satisfaction in Couples***

Isabela Alvarado, *Florida State University*  
Selin Karakose, *Florida State University*  
Bogdan Lazurenko, *Florida State University*  
Thomas Ledermann, *Florida State University*

***Taking the Guesswork Out of IPV Assessments: A Collection of Reliable and Valid Assessments for Helping Professionals in a Military Context***

Carlynn Vandenberg, *Auburn University*  
Emily Hanson, *Auburn University*  
Kaylee Short, *Auburn University*  
Chia-Feng Chen, *Auburn University*  
Sheila Sjolseth, *Auburn University*  
Emily Wright, *Auburn University*  
Catherin Walker O'Neal, *Auburn University*  
Mallory Lucier-Greer, *Auburn University*

***Testing a Perceived Uncommitted Mating Strategy Account for Atheist Marriage Disapproval***

Joshua Lambert, *University of Alabama*  
William Hart, *University of Alabama*  
Charlotte Cease, *University of Alabama*

***The Role of Work-to-Family Spillover, Generative Concern, and Gender on Subjective Well-Being in Full-Time Working Adults***

Myriam Rudaz, *Florida State University*  
Trinity Johnston, *Florida State University*

***Training Compassionate Couples: An Analysis of a Novel Couples Program***

Amelia Welch, *Florida State University*  
Thomas Ledermann, *Florida State University*  
Myriam Rudaz, *Florida State University*  
Gregory Seibert, *Healthy Relationships & Lifestyle Center, LLC*  
Michelle Becker, *Wise Compassion*

***"What are we?": Defining and Describing "Situationships"***

Arielle Podberesky, *Florida State University*  
Lyra Toohey, *Florida State University*  
Mickey Langlais, *Florida State University*

***"Why Did You Post That?": A Qualitative Investigation Concerning What Is And Is Not Appropriate Social Media Behavior In Romantic Relationships***

Corinne Watkins, *Florida State University*  
Mickey Langlais, *Florida State University*

## Starting at 6:45 PM

## Transportation from Hotel Capstone

Free and convenient transportation options will be available to allow easy commute to the closing reception downtown. Everyone is welcome to use them. We will have transportation that will allow for flexible options to come and go from the closing reception at your leisure. We will announce specifics during the lunch and keynote sessions on Saturday. Please also feel welcome to drive and carpool to the closing reception. Free parking is available across the street from the reception entrance.

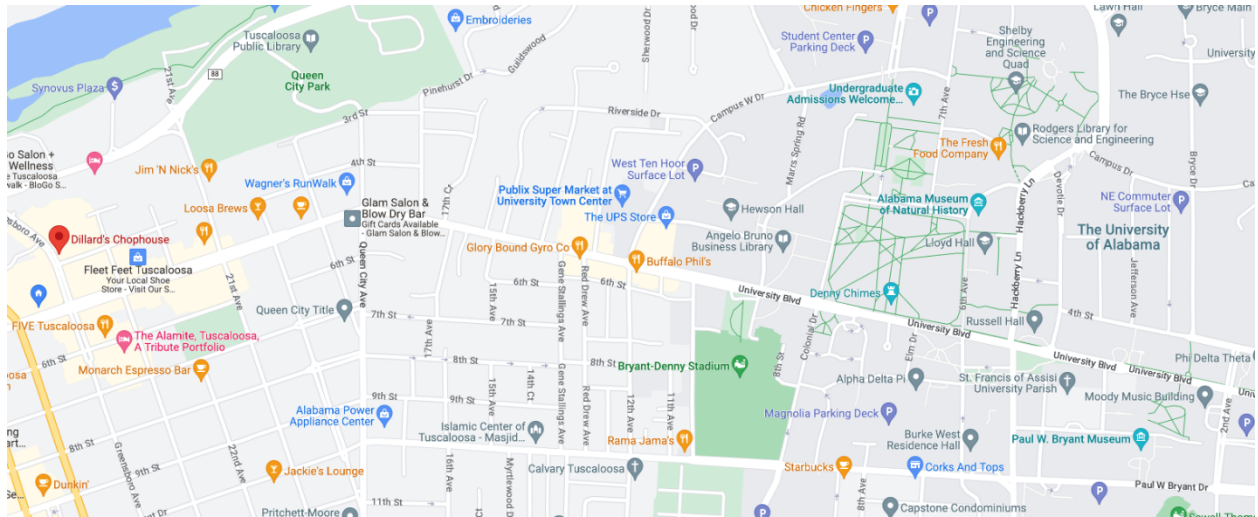
## 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM

## Closing Reception at Dillard's Chophouse

Our closing reception will feature drinks, hors d'oeuvres, music, dancing, and karaoke! Please join us in the lower level of Dillard's Chophouse. Enter through the side door labeled "Atomic." Some street parking is available. Wear your conference lanyard for entry and drink ticket(s)!

Location: [Dillard's Chophouse](#) -- Downtown 2330 4<sup>th</sup> Street

Parking: 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (Across the Street to Dillard's Chophouse/Behind Embassy Suites)



## ***Announcements***

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**Submission Deadline for IARR Geographical Diversity Research Grants (JUNE 15, 2023)** Deadline is approaching for submitting applications to the Geographical Diversity Research Grants. These small research grants aim to promote geographical diversity in relationship research in general and the IARR in particular. We offer up to two grants (1000 USD each) to relationship scholars who are residing in countries that are underrepresented in the IARR's current membership base (<https://iarr.org/documents/EligibleCountries2023.pdf>). We welcome research proposals from scholars across all career stages (graduate student or post-PhD) and disciplines (e.g., communication, psychology, sociology). Please send your application to the Chair of the Internationalization Committee, Silvia Donato, at [silvia.donato@unicatt.it](mailto:silvia.donato@unicatt.it). For further information on how to prepare the application, please see the Submission Guide on the IARR: <https://iarr.org/documents/SubmissionGuide2023.pdf>

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Look ahead to the  
***IARR Conference in Boston, Massachusetts***  
July 5-9, 2024

Our opening reception and keynote will be on July 5<sup>th</sup> with full conference days on July 6 through 8 – and our dance on July 7 – all held at the **Boston Park Plaza Hotel**. We will offer add-on excursion options for July 9<sup>th</sup>. Those dates leave the opportunity for you to add-on to your time and enjoy the Boston Pops Fourth of July fireworks celebration or explore Cape Cod or other New England destinations.

**Our IARR Conference Planning Team:** Our local host co-chairs are Ashley Duggan (Boston College and Tufts University School of Medicine), Jeffrey Stokes (University of Massachusetts, Boston), and Elizabeth Glowacki (Northeastern University). Our academic program planning co-chairs are Leanne Knobloch (University of Illinois) and Brian Ogolsky (University of Illinois).







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