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### Education:

Ph.D. August, 2014  
Social Psychology  
Florida State University  
Advisor: James McNulty, Ph.D.  
Dissertation: Adding insult to injury: Effectiveness of partner-regulation strategies depends on partner's depression

M.S. May, 2007  
Clinical Psychology  
Marquette University  
Advisor: Debra L. Oswald, Ph.D.  
Thesis: Shyness and Online Social Networking Services

B.A. May, 2004  
Psychology  
Marquette University  
Advisor: Ed de St. Aubin, Ph.D.  
Thesis: False Uniqueness in Estimates of Peer Sexual Behaviors

### Employment:

Associate Professor August, 2021 –  
Assistant Professor August, 2015 – 2021  
University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Post-doctoral Fellow in Social Psychology August, 2014 – August, 2015  
Florida State University

### Awards and Honors:

Rising Star of the Association for Psychological Science	2021
Candace Bernard and Robert Glickman Dean's Professorship	2020
Psi Chi Teacher of the Year Award	2017
Graduate Research Day Excellence Award (\$200)	2014
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award nominee	2014

SPSP Student Poster Award	2014
Relationship Research Interest Group Student Paper Award	2014
FSU Graduate Student Research Award (\$750)	2013
UT Graduate Student Research Award (\$1500)	2012
Dean of Students Travel Award (\$175)	2011
SPSP Student Travel Award (\$500)	2010
UT Graduate Student Research Award (\$1000)	2010
UT Athletic Department Graduate Assistantship Award (\$1200)	2009
Summer Graduate Research SARIF recipient (\$1800)	2008
Dean of Students Travel Award (\$400)	2008

### **Funded Grants**

\$477,330	National Science Foundation - Social Psychology Program Principal Investigator “Basic Cognitive Functions and Problem Solving in Close Relationships” Submitted January, 2024
\$2,293	University of North Carolina at Greensboro CAS Proposal Preparation Program Principal Investigator Beliefs about Sexual Consent 2024
\$2,647	University of North Carolina at Greensboro CAS Proposal Preparation Program Principal Investigator Does reasoning facilitate the resolution of relationship problems? 2021
\$499,859	Laura and John Arnold Foundation Consultant, contributing statistical analyses “An RCT to build evidence for the efficacy of an online scalable growth mindset intervention (Healthy Minds) to improve youth mental health” PI: Jeni Burnette, North Carolina State University

### **Students' Funded Grants**

\$3,500	Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award Faculty advisor Principal Investigator: Emi Curia Developing a New Measure to Investigate Sexual Consent 2024
\$6,500	The Love Consortium Graduate Student Research Grant Faculty advisor

Principal Investigator: Ashlyn Brady  
Gender differences in sexual attitudes, behaviors, and outcomes: An integrative data analysis  
2021

**Publications:**

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J. K., & Russell, V. M. (in press). "Why didn't you just say so?" People use indirect opposition to assess partner commitment. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

**Brady, A. (g)**, **Baker, L. R.**, Monroe, A., & Russell, V. M. (in press). Evaluations of consensual unwanted sexual behavior shape self- and partner-attitudes. *Review of General Psychology*.

**Brady, A. (g)**, **Baker, L. R.**, Maxwell, J. A., Algoe, S. B., Birnie-Porter, C., Brownstein, M., Carswell, K. L., Cross, E. J., Debrot, A., Finkel, E. J., Harasymchuk, C., Impett, E. A., Kim, J. J., Leavitt, C. E., MacDonald, G., Maniaci, M. R., Mark, K. P., McNulty, J. K., Meltzer, A. L., ...Righetti, F. (in press). Women are slightly more sexually satisfied in their romantic relationships than men. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*.

**Baker, L. R.**, Sizemore, R. N. <sup>(g)</sup>, & Vrshek-Schallhorn, S. (2025). Biased first impressions yield positive illusions that facilitate friendship initiation. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 42, 873-900.

Lipsey, N. P., Burnette, J. L., Becker, W., **Baker, L.**, & Widman, L. (2024). A test of the growth mindset compensatory message in the context of youth mental health. *International Journal of Applied Positive Psychology*, 9, 1617-1634.

Sizemore, R. N. <sup>(g)</sup>, & **Baker, L. R.** (2024). Perceiving greater commitment increases selfishness among disagreeable people. *Plos one*, 19, e0303693.

Lipsey, N. P., Burnette, J. L., Becker, W., Baker, L. R., McCrimmon, J., & Billingsley, J. (2023). A growth mindset intervention to improve mental health in adolescents during COVID-19. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, 17, e12894.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, Baker, L. R., Agnew, C. R., & Hadden, B. W. (2022). Playing the field or locking down a partner?: Perceptions of available romantic partners and commitment readiness. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 101, 104334.

Sizemore, R. N. <sup>(g)</sup> & **Baker, L. R.** (2022). Positive processes in romantic relationships. In S. Elder & R. Gurung (Eds.), *Routledge Encyclopedia of Psychology in the Real World*.

Redd, R. <sup>(g)</sup> & **Baker, L. R.** (2022). Problem solving in romantic relationships. In S. Elder & R. Gurung (Eds.), *Routledge Encyclopedia of Psychology in the Real World*.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup> & **Baker, L. R.** (2022). Maintaining sexual satisfaction in romantic relationships. In S. Elder & R. Gurung (Eds.), *Routledge Encyclopedia of Psychology in the Real World*.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, & **Baker, L. R.** (2022). The changing tides of attractive alternatives in romantic relationships: Recent societal changes compel new directions for future research. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, 16, e12650.

**Baker, L. R.** (2021). Gratitude increases recipients' commitment through automatic partner evaluations, yet unreciprocated gratitude decreases commitment through deliberative evaluations. *Social Psychology and Personality Science*, 12, 1402-1411.

Girme, Y. U., Peters, B. J., **Baker, L. R.**, Overall, N. C., Fletcher, G. J. O., Reis, H. T., Jamieson, J. P., & Sigal, M. J. (2021). Attachment anxiety and the curvilinear effects of expressive suppression on individuals' and partners' outcomes. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 121, 524-547.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, Muise, A., & Impett, E. A. (2021). Gratitude increases the motivation to fulfill a partner's sexual needs. *Social Psychology and Personality Science*, 12, 273-281.

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J. K., Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, & Montalvo, S. <sup>(g)</sup> (2020). A new measure of expected relationship satisfaction, alternatives, and investments supports the expectations of interdependence model. In L. E. VanderDrift, C. R. Agnew, & X. B. Arriaga (Eds.), *Interdependence, Interaction, and Close Relationships* (Advances in Personal Relationships). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

**Baker, L. R.** & McNulty, J.K. (2020). The Relationship Problem Solving (RePS) Model: How partners influence one another to resolve relationship problems. *Personality and Social Psychological Review*, 24, 53-77.

**Baker, L. R.**, Kane, M. J. & Russell, V. M. (2020). Romantic partners' working memory capacity facilitates relationship problem resolution through recollection of problem-relevant information. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, 149, 580–584.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, & Miller, R. S. (2020). Look but don't touch?: Self-regulation determines whether noticing attractive alternatives increases infidelity. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 34, 135–144.

Pu, D. F., Rodriguez, C. M., & **Baker, L. R.** (2019). When couples disagree: Predicting informant differences in adults' emotion regulation. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*, 28, 1548–1557.

Girme, Y. U., Maniaci, M. R., Reis, H. T., McNulty, J. K., Carmichael, C. L., Gable, S. L., **Baker, L. R.**, & Overall, N. C. (2018). Does support need to be seen? Daily invisible support promotes next day relationship well-being. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 32, 882-893.

Weckbacher, L. E.<sup>(u)</sup> & **Baker, L. R.** (2018). Partners' depressive symptoms moderate the effects of expressive suppression. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 32, 1120-1129.

Russell, V. M., **Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J. K., & Overall, N. C. (2018). "You're forgiven, but don't do it again!" Direct partner regulation buffers the costs of forgiveness. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 32, 435.

Tucker, M. C., Rodriguez, C. M., & **Baker, L. R.** (2017). Personal and couple level risk factors: Maternal and paternal parent-child aggression risk. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 69, 213-222.

Rodriguez, C. M., **Baker, L. R.**, Pu, D. F., & Tucker, M. C. (2017). Predicting parent-child aggression risk in mothers and fathers: Role of emotion regulation and frustration tolerance. *Journal of Child & Family Studies*, 26, 2529–2538.

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J.K., & VanderDrift, L.E. (2017). Expectations for future relationship satisfaction: Unique sources and critical implications for commitment. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, 146, 700-721.

**Baker, L. R.**, & Baumeister, R. F. (2017). Alone and impulsive: Self-regulatory capacity mediates and moderates the implications of exclusion. In K. W. Williams & Nida, S. A. (Eds.), *Frontiers Handbook of Ostracism, Social Exclusion, & Rejection*. New York: Psychology Press.

**Baker, L. R.**, Cobb, R. A., McNulty, J. K., Lambert, N. M., & Fincham, F. D. (2016). Remaining in a situationally aggressive relationship: The role of relationship self-efficacy. *Personal Relationships*, 23, 591–604.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J.K. (2015). Adding insult to injury: Partner depression moderates the association between partner-regulation attempts and partners' motivation to resolve interpersonal problems. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 41, 839-852.

Meltzer, A. L., McNulty, J. K., Miller, S., **Baker, L. R.** (2015). A psychophysiological mechanism underlying women's weight-management goals: Women desire and strive for greater weight loss near peak fertility. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 41, 930-942.

Russell, V. M., McNulty, J. K., **Baker, L. R.**, & Meltzer, A. L. (2014). The association between discontinuing hormonal contraceptives and wives' marital satisfaction depends on husbands' facial attractiveness. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 111, 17081-17086.

McNulty, J. K., **Baker, L. R.**, & Olson, M.A. (2014). Implicit self-evaluations predict changes in implicit partner evaluations. *Psychological Science*, 25, 1649-1657.

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J. K., & Overall, N. C. (2014). When negative emotions benefit close relationships. In W. G. Parrott (Ed.), *The positive side of negative emotions*. Guilford: New York.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J.K. (2013). When low self-esteem encourages behaviors that risk rejection to increase interdependence: The role of relational self-construal. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 104*, 995-1018.

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J.K., Overall, N. C., Lambert, N. M., & Fincham, F. D. (2013). How do relationship maintenance behaviors affect individual well-being?: A contextual perspective. *Social Psychological and Personality Science, 4*, 282-289.

Russell, V. M., **Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2013). Attachment insecurity and infidelity in marriage. *Journal of Family Psychology, 27*, 242-251.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J.K. (2011). Self-compassion and relationship maintenance: The moderating roles of conscientiousness and gender. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 100*, 853–873.

**Baker, L.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2010). Shyness and marriage: Does shyness shape even established relationships? *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin, 36*, 665-676.

**Baker, L. R.**, & Oswald, D. (2010). Shyness and online social networking services. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, 27*, 873-889.

### **Chaired Symposia:**

**Baker, L. R.** (2022, July). Indirect oppositional behavior functions to evaluate partners' commitment. Paper presented as part of the symposium "What motivates efforts to regulate romantic partners?" during the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Online Conference.

**Baker, L. R.** (2020, July). Romantic partners' working memory capacity facilitates relationship problem resolution through recollection of problem-relevant information. Paper presented as part of the symposium "The role of executive functioning in addressing relationship challenges" during the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, London, England (Conference canceled).

**Baker, L. R.** & Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup> (2018, July). Look but don't touch? The role of motivation and ability for devaluing attractive alternatives. Paper presented as part of the symposium "Relationship threats and automatic interpersonal evaluations" during the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Fort Collins, Colorado.

**Baker, L. R.**, Weckbacher, L. E. <sup>(u)</sup>, & McNulty, J. K. (2017, June). The implications of emotional suppression depend on partners' depressive symptoms. Paper presented as part of the symposium "Contextualizing emotion suppression: suppressing negative emotions can be beneficial depending on individual and partner qualities and motives" during the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Syracuse, New York.

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J. K., & VanderDrift, L. A. (2016, July). Revising interdependence perspectives on close relationships: Expected rather than current satisfaction determines commitment to a relationship. Paper presented as part of the symposium “The critical role of interpersonal expectations for interpersonal outcomes” during the main conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

### **Paper Presentations:**

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J. K., & Russell, V. M. (2024, May). *People use indirect opposition to assess partner commitment*. Talk presented at the Love Conference hosted by the Love Consortium. Raleigh, NC.

Curia, E.<sup>(u)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, & Brady, A. (2024, April). *Exploring gender differences in endorsements of sexual consent beliefs*. Talk presented at the 49th Annual Carolinas Psychology Conference, Buies Creek, North Carolina.

Brady, A.<sup>(g)</sup>, & **Baker, L. R.** (2022, November). *Gender differences in sexual attitudes, behaviors, and outcomes: An integrative data analysis*. Talk presented at the Love Conference hosted by the Love Consortium. Raleigh, NC.

Brady, A.<sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.** & Maxwell, J. A. (2022, July). *Is sex critical for maintaining relational well-being?: An integrative data analysis*. Paper presented at the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research. Online Conference.

Sizemore, R. N.<sup>(g)</sup>, & **Baker, L. R.** (2022, July). *Perceived partner commitment predicts greater selfishness among disagreeable partners*. Paper presented at the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research. Online Conference.

Froidevaux, N. M., Gere, J., Gordon, A. M., Algoe, S. B., **Baker-Russell, L. R.**, Impett, E., Maxwell, J. A., Muise, A., Pietromonaco, P. R., Reis, H., Righetti, F., Campos, B. (2022, February). *An integrative data analysis of intercultural relationship quality*. Talk presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention. San Francisco, CA.

**Baker, L. R.**, Brady, A.<sup>(g)</sup>, & Miller, R. S. (2021, February). *Look but don't touch? Self-regulatory ability determines whether noticing attractive alternatives increases the risk of infidelity*. Paper presented at the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Online Conference.

Girme, Y. U., Peters, B. J., **Baker, L. R.**, Overall, N. C., Fletcher, G. J. O., & Reis, H. T. (2021, February). *Suppressing negativity can benefit relationship partners: Attachment anxiety and the curvilinear effects of expressive suppression*. Paper presented at the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Online Conference.

Brady, A.<sup>(g)</sup>, & **Baker, L. R.** (2020, October). *Playing the Field or Locking Down a Partner?: Perceptions of Available Romantic Partners and Commitment Readiness*. Paper presented at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Online Conference.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, Agnew, C.R., & Hadden, B.W. (2020, July). *Playing the Field or Securing a Partner?: Perceptions of Available Romantic Partners and Commitment Readiness*. Paper presented at the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, London, England (Conference canceled).

Russell, V. M., McNulty, J.K., **Baker, L. R.**, Overall, N.C. (2020, February). *Who and How to Forgive: Transgressors' Agreeableness and Forgivers' Regulation Strategies Determine the Implications of Forgiveness for Future Transgressions*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, Louisiana.

**Baker, L. R.**, Kane, M. J., & Russell, V. M. (2020, February). *Romantic partners' working memory capacity facilitates relationship problem resolution through recollection of problem-relevant information*. Paper presented during the data blitz for the Close Relationships preconference for the Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, Louisiana.

**Baker, L. R.**, Kane, M. J., & Russell, V. M. (2019, October). *Romantic partners' working memory capacity facilitates relationship problem resolution through recollection of problem-relevant information*. Paper presented at the 42st Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Johnson City, Tennessee.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, Impett, E. A., & Muise, A. (2019, October). *Gratitude increases the motivation to fulfill partners' sexual needs*. Paper presented at the 42st Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Johnson City, Tennessee.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, Impett, E. A., & Muise, A. (2019, June). *Gratitude is associated with greater sexual communal strength*. Paper presented at the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Ottawa, Canada.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, & Miller, R. S. (2018, July). *Look but don't touch? Self-regulatory ability determines whether noticing attractive alternatives increases the risk of infidelity*. Paper presented at the 41st Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Raleigh, North Carolina.

**Baker, L. R.** (2018, July). *Divergent implications of gratitude: Gratitude increases recipients' commitment through liking, yet decreases commitment through perceived differences in relational value*. Paper presented at the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Fort Collins, Colorado.

**Baker, L. R.** (2017, November). *Divergent implications of gratitude: Gratitude increases recipients' commitment through liking, yet decreases commitment through perceived differences in relational value*. Paper presented at the 40th Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Atlantic Beach, Florida.

**Baker, L. R.** (2016, August). *Contextual factors determine the interpersonal implications of positive self-beliefs*. Invited address at the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Denver, Colorado.

Rodriguez, C. M., Tucker, M. C., & **Baker, L. R.** (August, 2016). *Personal and couple level risk factors: Paternal parent-child aggression risk*. Paper presented at the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Denver, Colorado.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2015, October). *Revising interdependence perspectives: Expected rather than current satisfaction predicts commitment*. Paper presented at the 38th Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2015, May). *Revising interdependence perspectives: Expected rather than current satisfaction predicts commitment*. Paper presented at the Annual Convention for the Association for Psychological Science, New York, New York.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2015, February). *Revising interdependence perspectives: Expected rather than current satisfaction predicts commitment*. Paper presented during the data blitz for the Close Relationships preconference for the 16th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, California.

Russell, V. M., McNulty, J. K., **Baker, L. R.**, & Meltzer, A. L. (2015, February). *The association between discontinuing hormonal contraceptives and wives' marital satisfaction depends on husbands' physical attractiveness*. Paper presented at the 16th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, California.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2014, February). *Adding insult to injury: The effectiveness of partner-regulation strategies depends on partner's depressive symptoms*. Paper presented during the Close Relationships preconference for the 15th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, Texas.

McNulty, J. K., **Baker, L. R.**, Russell, V. M., & Meltzer, A. L. (2013, July). *When positive emotions are costly*. Paper presented at the Annual Convention for the American Psychological Association, Honolulu, Hawaii.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2012, January). *Does low self-esteem really undermine intimacy? It depends on relational self-construal*. Paper presented at the 13th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, California.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2011, May). *Relationship maintenance and emotional health: Investing effort in an unsatisfying relationship can undermine individual well-being*. Paper presented at the 23rd Annual Convention for the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, D.C.

**Baker, L. R.** (2011, January). *Investing effort in an unsatisfying relationship can undermine individual well-being*. Paper presented during the data blitz for the Close Relationships preconference for the 12th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, Texas.

McNulty, J. K. & **Baker, L. R.** (2011, January). *Self-compassion and relationship maintenance: The moderating roles of conscientiousness and gender*. Paper presented at the 12th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, Texas.

**Baker, L.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2008, July). “*Demure is a lady, yet timid is a guy*”: *Shyness, gender, and marital satisfaction*. Paper presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Conference, Providence, Rhode Island.

**Baker, L.**, & Oswald, D. (2007, May). *Attachment styles and usage of online social networking services*. Paper presented at the 79th Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, Illinois.

#### **Poster Presentations:**

Park, H. G., Sasaki, E., Visserman, M. L., Sisson, N. M., **Baker, L. R.**, Harasymchuk, C., Kim, Y-H., & Impett, E. A. (2025). *The links between relationship growth beliefs, perceived effort, and gratitude*. Poster presented at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Denver, CO, United States.

**Baker, L. R. & Sizemore, R. N. <sup>(g)</sup>** (2024, July). *First (biased) impressions: Positive illusions facilitate friendship initiation*. Poster presented at the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Boston, Massachusetts.

**Sizemore, R. N. <sup>(g)</sup>, & Baker, L. R..** (2021, October). *Perceived partner commitment predicts greater selfishness among disagreeable partners*. Poster presented at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Online Conference.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, Agnew, C.R., & Hadden, B.W. (2021, February). *Playing the field or locking down a partner?: Perceptions of available romantic partners and commitment readiness*. Poster presented at the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Online Conference.

Russell, V.M., & **Baker, L. R.** (2020, July). *Automatic partner attitudes predict intimate partner violence in newlywed couples*. Poster presented at the conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, London, England (Conference canceled).

Cagle, C. <sup>(u)</sup> & **Baker, L. R.** (2020, April). The effects of perceived power on changes in romantic partner ideals. Poster presented at the 66th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Brady, A. <sup>(g)</sup>, & **Baker, L. R.** (2020, February). *Gratitude increases the motivation to fulfill partners' sexual needs*. Poster presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Montalvo, S. <sup>(g)</sup>, & **Baker, L. R.** (2018, March). *Divergent implications of gratitude: Gratitude increases recipients' commitment through liking, yet decreases commitment through perceived differences in relational value*. Poster presented at the 19th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Atlanta, Georgia.

Weckbacher, L. E. <sup>(u)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2016, November). *The implications of emotional suppression depend on partners' depressive symptoms*. Poster presented at the 39th Annual Meeting of the Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, Asheville, North Carolina.

Weckbacher, L. E. <sup>(u)</sup>, **Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2016, April). *The implications of emotional suppression depend on partners' depressive symptoms*. Poster presented at the 41st Annual Carolinas Psychology Conference, Buies Creek, North Carolina.

**Baker, L. R.**, Cobb, R. A., McNulty, J. K., Lambert, N. M., & Fincham, F. D. (2016, February). *Self-efficacy Prevents Intimates from Ending Abusive Relationships*. Poster presented at the Self and Identity preconference at the 17th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, San Diego, California.

**Baker, L. R.** & McNulty, J. K. (2015, February). *Implicit self-evaluations predict changes in implicit partner evaluations*. Poster presented at the 16th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Long Beach, California.

**Baker, L. R.**, Cobb, R. A., Lambert, N. M., Fincham, F. D., & McNulty, J. K. (2014, February). *Relationship self-efficacy prevents intimates from ending abusive relationships*. Poster presented at the 15th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Austin, Texas.

**Baker, L. R.** & McNulty, J. K. (2013, January). *Adding insult to injury: The effectiveness of partner-regulation strategies depends on partner's depression*. Poster presented at the 14th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Rowley, M. M., **Baker, L.**, Russell, V. M., McNulty, J. K., & Gordon, K.C. (2012, November). *The proverbial "straw": Neuroticism, chronic stress and acute stress as predictors of infidelity in a newlywed sample*. Poster presented at the 46th Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, National Harbor, Maryland.

**Baker, L. R.**, McNulty, J. K., Lambert, N. M., & Fincham, F. D. (2011, January). *Give only when it's good: The negative implications of investing in an unsatisfying relationship*. Poster presented at the 12th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, San Antonio, Texas.

**Baker, L. R.**, & McNulty, J. K. (2010, January). *Does self-idealization help or hurt relationships? The interactive effects of self-compassion and conscientiousness on relationship*

*maintenance.* Poster presented at the 11th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Las Vegas, Nevada.

**Baker, L. R.,** & McNulty, J. K. (2009, February). *Does acknowledging personal weakness hurt or help relationships? The interactive effects of self-compassion and conscientiousness on the trajectory of marital satisfaction.* Poster presented at the 10th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Tampa, Florida.

Oswald, D., & **Baker, L.** (2008, July). *Relational-interdependent self-construal and the use of routine and strategic behaviors to maintain romantic relationships.* Poster presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Conference, Providence, Rhode Island.

**Baker, L.,** & Oswald, D. (2008, February). *Shyness and online social networking services.* Poster presented at the 9th Annual Meeting of the Society for Social and Personality Psychology, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

**Baker, L.,** & Oswald, D. (2006, December). *Shyness and online social networking services.* Poster presented at the Forward Thinking Poster Session in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

**Baker, L.,** & Oswald, D. (2006, May). *The role of love styles in the engagement of relationship maintenance behaviors.* Poster presented at the 78th Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, Illinois.

**Baker, L.,** & de St. Aubin, E. (2003, June). *The self-enhancement bias in self-reports of sexual behaviors.* Poster presented at the 15th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Society, Atlanta, Georgia.

### **Courses Taught:**

#### **Undergraduate:**

Methods and Statistics	14 Sections	Fall 2016 – Fall 2025
Theories of Personality	16 Sections	Spring 2021 – Spring 2026
Personal Relationships	2 Sections	Spring 2016 – Spring 2017
Social Psychology	6 Sections	Fall 2009 – Fall 2016
Research Analysis	3 Sections	Spring 2010 – Summer 2011
General Psychology	3 Sections	Summer 2008 – Spring 2009

#### **Graduate:**

Research Methods	5 Sections	Spring 2022 – Spring 2026
Close Relationships	1 Section	Fall 2023
Sex and Sexuality	1 Section	Fall 2020

### **Professional Service:**

Associate editor:

Personal Relationships 2018 – 2020

Editorial board:

Journal of Social and Personal Relationships	2025 –
Journal of Personality and Social Psychology	2018 –
Personality and Social Psychological Bulletin	2021 – 2024
Social Psychological and Personality Science	2018 – 2019
Personal Relationships	2017 – 2018, 2022 –

Funding agency panelist:

NSF 2026

Ad hoc reviewer:

NSF

Journal of Personality and Social Psychology  
Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin  
Current Directions in Psychological Science  
Social Psychological and Personality Science  
Scientific Reports  
Child Development  
Journal of Research in Personality  
Journal of Personality  
Journal of Family Psychology  
Self and Identity  
Journal of Social and Personal Relationships  
Personal Relationships  
Journal of Marriage and Family  
European Journal of Personality  
Journal of Individual Differences  
Journal of Family Issues

Other professional service:

Senior member of the Relationship Researchers Interest Group	2025 –
Awards committee for IARR	2021 – 2022
Program coordinator for SSSP conference	2020
Reviewer for IARR conference	2017, 2019, 2022 – 2023
Discussant at the New Scholar Workshop (IARR)	2017
Reviewer for SSSP Poster Submissions	2017
Judge for the SSSP Graduate Student Poster Award	2016-2018
Reviewer for the SPSP Graduate Student Poster Award	2015-2016

### **Selected Media Coverage:**

*Scientific American*

*Time*

*PBS*

*Psychology Today*

*PsyPost*

*The Naked Scientists*

*The Guardian*

*Huffington Post*

*Self*

*Cosmopolitan*

*Redbook*

*Women's Health*

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