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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2022 – present **Assistant Professor of Instruction**, Department of Psychology
University of Texas at Austin
2020 – 2021 **Teaching Associate**, Department of Cognitive Sciences
University of California, Irvine

EDUCATION

2021 **PhD in Cognitive Sciences**
University of California, Irvine
2020 **MS in Statistics**
University of California, Irvine
2013 **BA in Psychology**
Minor: Mind-Brain Studies
The George Washington University

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS (PAST AND PRESENT)

Member of the American Statistical Association
Member of the Society for Mathematical Psychology
Member of the Psychonomic Society
Member of the Association for Psychological Science
Member of the Society for the Improvement of Psychological Science
Member of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Research

RESEARCH INTERESTS

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| Bayesian statistics | Computational methods |
| Cognitive modeling | Model complexity |
| Robust science | Meta-analysis |

EXTRAMURAL GRANTS

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| <i>June 2018</i> | National Science Foundation: Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide (Amsterdam). 3 months. \$5,000 + €4,500 |
| <i>April 2016</i> | National Science Foundation: Graduate Research Fellowship Award (DGE-1321846). 36 months. \$132,000 |

INTRAMURAL GRANTS

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| <i>June 2021</i> | UCI School of Social Sciences: Graduate Dean's Dissertation Fellowship. \$5,000 |
| <i>2016 – 2021</i> | UCI: Provost PhD Fellowship. \$20,000 |
| <i>July 2016</i> | UCI School of Social Sciences: Graduate Dean Recruitment Fellowship. \$10,000 |
| <i>2016 – 2021</i> | UCI School of Social Sciences: Merit Fellowship. \$18,000 |
| <i>May 2012</i> | The George Washington University Columbian College of Arts and Sciences: Luther Rice Undergraduate Research Fellowship. \$5,000 |
| <i>May 2010</i> | The George Washington University: Alumni Award. \$1,000 |

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITIONS

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| <i>April 2018</i> | <i>UCI Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science's</i> Justine Lambert Graduate Prize in the Foundations of Science. Awarded for “J.B.S. Haldane's contribution to the Bayes factor hypothesis test” published in <i>Statistical Science</i> (\$1,000) |
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RECENT PRESENTATIONS

- Villarreal, J., M. (presenter), Lee, M. D., **Etz, A.** (2020). *Prior predictive entropy as a measure of model complexity*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Mathematical Psychology (Virtual)
- Etz, A.**, Priyadarshini, V., Kuppuraj, S., de Ruiter, L. E. (2019, July). *Modeling children's sentence processing across three languages*. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Mathematical Psychology (Montreal, Quebec, Canada)
- Etz, A.**, Ly, A., Marsman, M., Wagenmakers, E.-J. (2019, February). *A simple way to evaluate replication success using Bayes factors*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference (Portland, OR)
- Etz, A.** (2018, January). *Open science, social media, and you*. Invited presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behavior, and Cognitive Science (St. Johns, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada)
- Etz, A.** (2018, May). *Planning for success: Informed sample sizes for experimental studies*. Invited speaker for the “Bayesian Methods for the Pragmatic Researcher” invited symposium at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Psychological Science (San Francisco, CA)

- Etz, A.** & Vandekerckhove, J. (2016, March). *A Bayesian Perspective on the Reproducibility Project Psychology*. Invited presentation for the “Cognitive Drinks” seminar hosted by University of College London Department of Experimental Psychology (London, UK)

PUBLISHED WORK

26. Villarreal, M., **Etz, A.**, Lee, M. D. (in press). Evaluating the Complexity and Falsifiability of Psychological Models. *Psychological Review*.
25. Coon, J., **Etz, A.**, Scontras, G., Sarnecka, B.W. (in press). Esports as a cultural microcosm for studying psycholinguistics. *Games & Culture*.
24. **Etz, A.**, Goodman, S. N., Vandekerckhove, J. (2022). Statistical Inference in Behavioral Research: Traditional and Bayesian Approaches, In Jussim, L., Stevens, S. T., Krosnick, J. A. (Eds.) *Research Integrity in the Behavioral Sciences*, Oxford University Press.
Preprint: <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/3bn356vg>
23. Dablander, F., Huth, K., Gronau, Q. F., **Etz, A.**, Wagenmakers, E. J. (2022). A puzzle of proportions: Two popular Bayesian tests can yield dramatically different conclusions. *Statistics in Medicine*.
Preprint: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.04909>.
22. Van Ravenzwaaij, D. & **Etz, A.** (2021). Simulation studies as a tool to understand Bayes factors. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*. Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/27ndb/>
21. Coon, J., **Etz, A.**, Scontras, G., Sarnecka, B. (2021). Experts interpret generalizations differently than novices. *Proceedings of the 43rd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*. <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/57r2d04j>
20. Van Doorn, J., van den Bergh, D., Bohm, U., Dablander, F., Derks, K., Draws, T., **Etz, A.**, Evans, N. J., Gronau, Q. F., Hinne, M., Kucharsky, S., Ly, A., Marsman, M., Matzke, D., Raj, A., Sarafoglou, A., Stefan, A., Voelkel, J. G., Wagenmakers, E.-J. (2020). The JASP guidelines for conducting and reporting a Bayesian analysis. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*. <https://doi.org/10.3758/s13423-020-01798-5>. Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/yqxfr/>
19. Wagenmakers, E.-J., Gronau, Q. F., Dablander, F., **Etz, A.** (2020). The support interval. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10670-019-00209-z> *Erkenntnis*. Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/zwnxb/>
18. Crüwell, S., van Doorn, J., **Etz, A.**, Makel, M. C., Mosontz, H., Niebaum, J. C., Orben, A., Parsons, S., Schulte-Mecklenbeck, M. (2019). 7 Easy Steps to Open Science: An Annotated Reading List. <https://doi.org/10.1027/2151-2604/a000387> *Zeitschrift für Psychologie* 227, 237-248. Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/cfzyx/>
17. Vandekerckhove, J., White, C. N., Trueblood, J. S., Rouder, J. N., Matzke, D., Leite, F., **Etz, A.**, Donkin, C., Devezzer, B., Criss, A., Lee, M. D. (2019). Robust diversity in cognitive science. *Computational Brain & Behavior* 2(3-4), 271-276. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s42113-019-00066-7>. Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/6bu7s>
16. Lee, M. D., Criss, A., Devezzer, B., Donkin, C., **Etz, A.**, Leite, F., Matzke, D., Rouder, J. N., Trueblood, J. S., White, C. N., Vandekerckhove, J. (2019). Robust modeling in cognitive science. *Computational Brain & Behavior* 2(3-4), 141-153. doi.org/10.1007/s42113-019-00029-y Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/dmfhk>
15. Ly, A., **Etz, A.**, Marsman, M., Wagenmakers, E.-J. (2019). Replication Bayes factors from Evidence Updating. *Behavior Research Methods* 51, 2498-2508. doi.org/10.3758/s13428-018-1092-x Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/u8m2s/>
14. **Etz, A.**, Haaf, J. M., Rouder, J. N., Vandekerckhove, J. (2018). Bayesian inference and testing any hypothesis you can specify. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*, 1(2), 281–295. doi.org/10.1177/2515245918773087. Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/wmf3r/>

13. **Etz, A.** (2018). Introduction to the concept of likelihood and its applications. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science* 1(1), 60–69. doi.org/10.1177/2515245917744314 Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/85ywt>
12. **Etz, A.**, Gronau, Q. F., Dablander, F., Edelsbrunner, P. A., Baribault, B. (2018). How to become a Bayesian in eight easy steps: An annotated reading list. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review* 25(1), 219–234. doi.org/10.3758/s13423-017-1317-5. Preprint: <http://tinyurl.com/eightstepsV1>
11. **Etz, A.** & Vandekerckhove, J. (2018). Introduction to Bayesian inference for psychology. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review* 25(1), 5–34. doi.org/10.3758/s13423-017-1262-3. Preprint: <https://osf.io/preprints/psyarxiv/q46q3>
10. Zwaan, R. A., **Etz, A.**, Lucas, R. E., Donnellan, M. B. (2018). Improving Social and Behavioral Science By Making Replication Mainstream: A Response to Commentaries. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 41, e120. doi.org/10.1017/S0140525X18000961 Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/ak9x3/>
9. Zwaan, R. A., **Etz, A.**, Lucas, R. E., Donnellan, M. B. (2018). Making replication mainstream. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 41, e120. doi.org/10.1017/S0140525X17001972 Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/4tg9c>
8. Saunders, B., Milyavskaya, M., **Etz, A.**, Randles, D., Inzlicht, M. (2018). Reported Self-control is not Meaningfully Associated with Inhibition-related Executive Function: A Bayesian Analysis. *Collabra: Psychology* 4(1), 39. Open access: <http://doi.org/10.1525/collabra.134> Supplementary materials and code: <https://osf.io/n5rmy/>
7. Ly, A., Raj, A., **Etz, A.**, Marsman, M., Gronau, Q. F., Wagenmakers, E.-J. (2018). Bayesian Reanalyses from Summary Statistics: A Guide for Academic Consumers. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*, 1(3), 367–374. Open access: doi.org/10.1177/2515245918779348
6. Wagenmakers, E.-J., Love, J., Marsman, M., Jamil, T., Ly, A., Verhagen, J., Selker, R., Gronau, Q. F., Drophmann, D., Boutin, B., Meerhof, F., Knight, P., Raj, A., van Kesteren, E.-J., van Doorn, J., Smira, M., Epskamp, S., **Etz, A.**, Matzke, D., Rouder, J. N., Morey, R. D. (2018). Bayesian Inference for Psychology. Part II: Example Applications with JASP. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review* 25(1), 58–76. Open access: doi.org/10.3758/s13423-017-1323-7
5. Lakens, D. & **Etz, A.** (2017). Too True to be Bad: When Sets of Studies with Significant and Non-Significant Findings Are Probably True. *Social Psychological and Personality Science* 8(8), 875–881. Open access: doi.org/10.1177/1948550617693058
4. **Etz, A.** & Wagenmakers, E.-J. (2017). J. B. S. Haldane’s Contribution to the Bayes Factor Hypothesis Test. *Statistical Science* 32(2), 313–329. Open access: doi.org/10.1214/16-STS599
3. **Etz, A.** & Vandekerckhove, J. (2016). A Bayesian perspective on the Reproducibility Project: Psychology. *PLoS ONE* 11(2): e0149794. Open access: doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0149794
Included in *PLoS Biology*’s collection on meta-science: <http://collections.plos.org/meta-research/>
Code at: bbc.cidlab.com/
2. Holcombe A. O., Brown N. J., Goodbourn P. T., **Etz, A.**, Geukes S. (2016). Does sadness impair color perception? Flawed evidence and faulty methods. *F1000Research*. Open access: doi.org/10.12688/f1000research.9202.1
1. Subiaul, F., Krajkowski, E., Price, E., & **Etz, A.** (2015). Imitation by combination: Preschool age children evidence summative imitation in a novel problem-solving task. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 6. Open access: doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2015.01410

SOFTWARE

Etz, A. & Vandekerckhove, J. (2017). Build-A-Bayes [Educational online app]. Available via osf.io/mvp53

DISSERTATION

Etz, A. (2021). Critical considerations on certain practices in psychological science. Unpublished doctoral dissertation.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Etz, A. (2018). Technical Notes on Kullback-Leibler Divergence. Available at: <https://psyarxiv.com/5vhzu>

Etz, A. (2015). Using Bayes factors to get the most out of linear regression: A practical guide using R. Available at: <http://tinyurl.com/BayesLinReg>

Etz, A. (2015). Confidence intervals? More like confusion intervals. Available at <https://featuredcontent.psychonomic.org/confidence-intervals-more-like-confusion-intervals/>

MEDIA

- I maintain alexanderetz.com as a personal blog and to distribute research results and publications.
- I co-host **The Bayes Factor** with J.P. de Ruiter, a podcast on Bayesian inference and the people behind it. Available at: <https://sites.tufts.edu/hilab/series/the-bayes-factor/>

Service

GRADUATE ADVISING

2022 – present Katherine Williams (w/ Katharine Tillman)

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2022 – present Member of Data Science Task Force
 2022 – present Graduate Student Statistics Support
 2022 – present Doctoral committees (1)

UT TEACHING

Undergraduate **PSY120R** R Programming for the Behavioral Sciences
PSY317L Introduction to Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
PSY341K Bayesian Data Analysis
PSY420M Advanced Data Analysis and Methods for the Behavioral Sciences
Graduate **PSY384M** Advanced Inferential Statistics
PSY184R Data Analysis with R

EXTERNAL TEACHING

2018 – 2020 **Invited lecturer & methodology mentor**, One-week course by UK Reproducibility Network, “Advanced Methods for Reproducible Science”
 2017 – 2019 **Teaching assistant**, One-week course by University of Amsterdam, “Annual JAGS and WinBUGs Workshop: Bayesian Modeling for Cognitive Science”
 Apr. 2019 **Invited lecturer**, Workshop for the Western Psychological Association, “Theory and Practice of Bayesian inference using JASP”
 Feb. 2017 & 2019 **Invited lecturer**, Workshop for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, “Theory and Practice of Bayesian inference using JASP”
 Mar. 2018 **Invited lecturer**, Famous scholar workshop at University of Groningen, “Getting started with Bayesian inference and analysis”
 Sep. 2017 **Guest lecturer**, University of Amsterdam research masters class, “Bayesian Inference for Psychological Science”
 May 2017 **Invited lecturer**, Workshop for the Psychology Statistics Club at University of Ottawa, “Foundations of Bayesian inference and analysis”
 Sep. 2016 **Invited lecturer**, Webinar for the Open Science Foundation, “Introduction to JASP and OSF integration”
 Mar. 2016 **Invited lecturer**, Inaugural Dutch 3TU H&T PhD Workshop, “Bayesian statistical concepts: A gentle introduction”
 Jan. 2016 **Guest lecturer**, University of Amsterdam upper-level undergraduate course, “Introduction to Bayesian Statistics”

EDITORIAL AND AD-HOC REVIEWER SERVICE

2022 – present **Editorial board member**, *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*

Ad hoc reviewer for *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*; *Behavior Research Methods*; *Collabra: Psychology*; *Computational Brain and Behavior*; *Cortex*; *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*;

Journal of Adolescence; Journal of Computer Assisted Learning; Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology; Journal of Experimental Psychology: General; Journal of Experimental Psychopathology; Journal of Experimental Social Psychology; Journal of Mathematical Psychology; Journal of Media Psychology; Journal of Personality and Social Psychology; Nature Communications; Nature Human Behavior; Perspectives on Psychological Science; PNAS Nexus; Psychological Methods; Psychonomic Bulletin and Review; Review of General Psychology; Science; Social Psychology and Personality Science