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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2023 – Present	Assistant Professor Department of Psychology Brooklyn College (City University of New York), Brooklyn, NY
2023 – Present	Assistant Professor Basic and Applied Social Psychology The CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY
2016 – 2023	Assistant Professor Department of Political Science Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY <i>* Clock stop AY 2019-2020 (child), 2020-2021 (pandemic), 2022-2023 (child)</i>

EDUCATION

2010 – 2016	New York University, New York, NY Ph.D., Social Psychology
2010 – 2012	New York University, New York, NY M.A., Social Psychology
2004 – 2008	Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT B.A., Psychology with Honors, Phi Beta Kappa

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

August 2020	Stony Brook University Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching Online Teaching Certificate
March 2013	Center for Brain Imaging Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) Workshop, NYU
August 2012	University of Michigan Training Course in fMRI

HONORS AND AWARDS

2020	Best Paper in <i>American Politics</i> presented at the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 2019 conference ("Their economic pain, our emotional gain? How punishing the rich motivates concerns about inequality" with Yanna Krupnikov & Samuel Jens)
2020	Best Paper in <i>Political Behavior</i> presented at MPSA 2019 ("Their economic pain, our emotional gain? How punishing the rich motivates concerns about inequality" with Yanna Krupnikov & Samuel Jens)

2017	<i>Honorable Mention</i> , International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) Best Dissertation Award
2017	Stony Brook University President's Distinguished Travel Grant
2016	ISPP Early Career Committee Travel Award
2016 & 2014	NYU Center for Social and Political Behavior (CfSPB) Student Conference Travel Award
2010 – 2015	MacCracken Fellowship, NYU Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
2015	SPSP Student Research Travel Award
2015	NYU Dean's Student Travel Grant
2014	Friends of Katzell Research Fellowship
2012	NIH/University of Michigan Training Course in fMRI Fellowship
2012	<i>Honorable Mention</i> , National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2011	<i>Honorable Mention</i> , National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2008	<i>Alternate</i> , Fulbright Research Fellowship
2008	Walkley Prize (For best report of original research in psychology), Wesleyan University
2008	The Elizabeth Vermeer Tishler Prize, Wesleyan University
2007	Phi Beta Kappa (Fall election to Gamma Chapter of Connecticut)
2006	Samuel C. Silipo Prize, Wesleyan University
2004 – 2008	Dean's List, Wesleyan University

GRANTS

2021	Center for Changing Systems of Power Faculty Seed Grant (\$7,500), for "Alt-right? The mainstream psychology and extreme political behavior of 'alt-right' supporters" (with Katherine Sawyer)
2019	Research Initiative Grant for Faculty in the Fine Arts, Humanities, and Lettered Social Sciences (FAHSS) (\$3,000), for "Understanding complex attitudes toward the rich and implications for economic inequality" (with Michelle Io-Low)
2019	SPSP Community Catalyst Grant (\$750), for <i>Marginalia Science Meet-Up</i>
2018	SPSP Community Catalyst Grant (\$1,500), for <i>Marginalia Science Meet-Up</i>
2015	NYU Center for Brain Imaging Grant (\$5,000), for "Tackling the 'chicken-and-egg problem' of political neuroscience: A longitudinal investigation of the relationship between political ideology, system justification, and brain structure"
2011	NYU Center for Brain Imaging Grant (\$5,000), for "Political orientation, functional connectivity, and reactions to perceptual ambiguity and cognitive dissonance"

PUBLICATIONS

Total citations: 840 | h-index: 8 | i10-index: 8 (Google Scholar)

* indicates graduate student co-author at time of publication

^ indicates equal co-authorship

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Panish, A.* & **Nam, H.H.** (2023). [The neurobiology of political ideology: Theories, findings, and future directions.](#) *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, e12916.
- Nam, H.H.**,[^] & Sawyer, K.[^] (2023). [Scientific supremacy: How do genetic narratives relate to racism?](#) *Politics and the Life Sciences*, 1-33. doi: 10.1017/pls2023.15
- Nam, H.H.**, Sawyer, K., & Style, H.K.* (2022). [Understanding anti-Asian sentiment and political behavior in the wake of Covid-19.](#) *Politics, Groups, & Identities*. doi: 10.1080/21565503.2022.2137051
- Nam, H.H.**, Jost, J.T., Meager, M.R., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2021). [Toward a neuropsychology of political orientation: Exploring ideology in patients with frontal and midbrain lesions.](#) *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B*, 376, 20200137. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2020.0137>
- Nam, H.H.** (2020). [Neuroscientific approaches to the study of system justification.](#) *Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences*, 34, 205-210.
- Jost, J.T., Sapolsky, R., & **Nam, H.H.** (2018). [Speculations on the evolutionary origins of system justification.](#) *Evolutionary Psychology*, 16, doi: 10.1177/1474704918765342.
- Nam, H.H.**, Jost, J.T., Kaggen, L., Campbell-Meiklejohn, D., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2018). [Amygdala structure and the tendency to regard the social system as legitimate and desirable.](#) *Nature Human Behaviour*, 2, 133-138. doi: 10.1038/s41562-017-0248-5
- Nam, H.H.**, & Jost, J.T. (2014). [Which American way? System justification explains ideological differences in opposition to the "Ground Zero Mosque."](#) *Group Processes and Intergroup Relations*, 17, 552-559. doi:10.1177/1368430214523151
- Jost, J.T., **Nam, H.H.**, Amodio, D.M., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2014). [Political neuroscience: The beginning of a beautiful friendship.](#) *Advances in Political Psychology*, 35, 3-42. doi: 10.1111/pops.12162
- Nam, H.H.**, Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2013). ["Not for all the tea in China!" Political ideology and the avoidance of dissonance-arousing situations.](#) *PLoS ONE* 8(4): e59837. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0059837
- Hennes, E.P., **Nam, H.H.**, Stern, C., & Jost, J.T. (2012). [Not all ideologies are created equal: Epistemic, existential, and relational needs predict system-justifying attitudes.](#) *Social Cognition*, 30, 669-688. doi: 10.1521/soco.2012.30.6.669

OTHER PUBLICATIONS AND COLLABORATIVE WRITING

- Krupnikov, Y., **Nam, H.H.**, & Style, H.K.* (2021). [The use of convenience samples in political science experiments.](#) *Handbook of Experimental Political Science* (eds. James Druckman & Donald Green).

Castrellon, J., Cikara, M., Falk, E., Kraemer, I., Lynch, M., Nam, H.H., Paul, A., Reyes, G., Samanez-Larkin, G., & Yee, D. (2020). [Concrete steps for recruiting, supporting, and advancing underrepresented minoritized scientists](#). Open access document.

Dietze, P., Gantman, A., Nam, H.H., Niemi, L.[^] (2019). [Marginalised ideas are key to scientific progress](#). *Nature Human Behaviour*, 3, 1024.

[^] equal co-authorship as part of Marginalia Science collective

Andrews, T.M.*, Huddy, L., Kline, R., **Nam, H.H.**, & Sawyer, K. (2019). [The political complexity of attack and defense](#). *Behavioral and Brain Science*, 42, E117.

doi:10.1017/S0140525X19000852

Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Feldman, S. (2017). [The neurobiology of fairness and social justice: An introduction](#). *Social Justice Research*, 30, 289-299. doi: 10.1007/s11211-017-0296-z

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION AND SELECTED RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

* indicates graduate student collaborator.

Manuscripts under review

Sawyer, K., & **Nam, H.H.** The genetic essentialism of the alt-right. Invited to revise and resubmit.

Sawyer, K., Bond, K., & **Nam, H.H.** System justification, political protest, and the American alt-right. Under review.

Manuscripts in preparation

Nam, H.H., Jens, S.*, & Krupnikov, Y. Their economic pain, our emotional gain: Does taxing the rich elicit schadenfreude?

Io-Low, M.*, & **Nam, H.H.** Regulate the economy or my emotions? Exploring the role of emotions in economic inequality.

Martin, M.*, **Nam, H.H.**, & Sawyer, K. The impact of genetic attributions on political perceptions and tolerance. (with Katherine Sawyer and Maggie McDonnell*) *Recipient of 2021 Rappaport Fellowship

Selected projects in progress (planning, data collection, and analysis phases)

The effects of elite rhetoric about diversity on perceptions of institutional legitimacy and satisfaction with democracy. (with Nicole Huffman*)

How feeling overwhelmed by the issues affects political engagement. (with Nicole Huffman*)

Genetic attributions and perceptions of Indigenous peoples. (with Katherine Sawyer, Allison Harell, and Laura Stephenson)

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED TALKS

Working Group in Political Psychology (WoGPop), Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (Fall 2023)
 Basic and Applied Social Psychology (BASP) Practicum, CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY (Fall 2023)
 Open Minds Conference, Florence, Italy (Spring 2023)
 Cognitive Science Brown Bag, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY (Spring 2023)
 Science in Politics Workshop, Western University, London, ON. (Fall 2021)
 Hot Politics Lab, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Netherlands (Fall 2021)
 Experiments in Political Science Conference, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL (Spring 2019)
 Gantman Lab, CUNY Graduate Center and Brooklyn College, New York, NY (Spring 2019)
 ISPP Political Psychology Workshop, University of Delaware, Newark, DE. (Winter 2019)
 Working Group in Political Psychology (WoGPop), Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (Fall 2017)
 Social Psychology Brown Bag Seminar, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY (Fall 2017)

CHAired SYMPOSIA

Nam, H.H. (2016, July). *Brain processes involved in political decisions*. Symposium chaired at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Warsaw, Poland.
 Nam, H.H., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2016, January). *The neurobiology and psychology of social justice*. Symposium co-chaired at the 17th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.

CONFERENCE AND BROWN BAG TALKS

Nam, H.H., Paulson, L., Sawyer, K., Stephenson, L., & Harell, A. (2023, July). *Exploring attributions for the economic outcomes of Indigenous Peoples in Canada*. Presented at the 2023 Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Montreal, Canada.
 Nam, H.H., Sawyer, K., & Style, H.K.* (2021, September). *Understanding anti-Asian sentiment and political behavior in the wake of Covid-19*. Presented virtually at the 117th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.
 Sawyer, K., Nam, H.H., & Bond, K. (2021, September). *Alt-right? System justification and political protest*. Presented at the 117th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.
 Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., Meager, M.R., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2021, July). *Toward a neuropsychology of political orientation: Exploring ideology in patients with frontal and midbrain lesions*. Presented virtually at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology.
 Nam, H.H., Krupnikov, Y., & Jens, S.* (2020, September). *Their economic pain, our emotional gain? How punishing the rich motivates concerns about inequality*. Presented virtually at the 116th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.
 Sawyer, K.M., & Nam, H.H. (2020, July). *Justified by genes: The impact of media narratives about genetic science on intergroup bias*. Presented virtually at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology.
 lo-Low, M.*, & Nam, H.H. (2020, April). *The political implications of emotions and emotion regulation on economic inequality*. Accepted for presentation at the 78th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (conference cancelled due to Covid-19).

- Nam, H.H., & Krupnikov, Y. (2019, April). *Their economic pain, our emotional gain? How punishing the rich motivates concerns about inequality*. Presented at the 77th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Io-Low, M.*, & Nam, H.H. (2019, April). *Exploring the affective consequences of rationalizing vs. challenging inequality*. Presented at the 77th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Sawyer, K.M., & Nam, H.H. (2018, August). *The gene for X or Y: The media, genetic determinism, and bias*. Presented at the 114th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
- Nam, H.H. (2018, May). *Which American way? Overcoming resistance to change through system-sanctioned appeals in intergroup contexts*. Presented at the 30th Annual Meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.
- Huddy, L., Davies, C.*, & Nam, H.H. (2018, April). *Electoral campaigns and the partisan gap in political engagement: A focus on the 2015 British Election*. Presented at the 76th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Nam, H.H. (2017, September). *Political ideology and the avoidance of dissonance*. Presented at the 113th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Nam, H.H. (2017, May). *The psychology and neurobiology of system justification and political action*. Presented at the 29th Annual Meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., Kaggen, L., Campbell-Meiklejohn, D., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2016, July). *The neuroanatomical correlates of system justification*. Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Society of Political Psychology, Warsaw, Poland.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., Kaggen, L., Campbell-Meiklejohn, D., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2016, January). *The neuroanatomical correlates of system justification*. Presented at the 17th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, CA.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2015, May). *The neuroanatomical correlates of system justification*. Presented at the Four College Conference (Columbia University), New York, NY.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2015, April). *The neuroanatomical correlates of system justification*. Presented at the 2015 Hendricks Symposium on "Psychology, Biology, and Political Attitudes" at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2014, November). *To protect or protest the status quo? The neuroanatomical structure of system justification*. Presented at the Social Psychology Program Brown Bag Series, New York University.
- Nam, H.H., & Jost, J.T. (2014, July). *Which American way? Overcoming resistance to change through system-sanctioned appeals*. Presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Rome, Italy.
- Nam, H.H., & Jost, J.T. (2014, June). *Which American way? Overcoming resistance to change through system-sanctioned appeals*. Presented at the 15th Biennial Meeting of the International Society for Justice Research, New York, NY.
- Nam, H.H., & Jost, J.T. (2013, December). *Which American way? Overcoming resistance to change through system-sanctioned appeals*. Presented at the Social Psychology Program Brown Bag Series, New York University.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2013, May). *"Not for all the tea in China!" Political ideology and the avoidance of dissonance-arousing situations*. Presented at the Four College Conference (Princeton University), Princeton, NJ.

- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2013, February). *The neuroanatomical correlates of system justification*. Presented at the Social Psychology Program Brown Bag Series, New York University.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2012, April). *Resistance to self-persuasion? Ideological differences in responding to dissonance-inducing situations*. Presented at the Social Psychology Program Brown Bag Series, New York University.
- Nam, H.H., & Jost, J.T. (2011, May). *The ideal(s) frame: Overcoming resistance to change through system-sanctioned appeals*. Presented at the Social Psychology Program Brown Bag Series, New York University.

POSTERS AND PAPER SWAPS

- Nam, H.H., & Jost, J.T. (2015, February). *Which American way? Overcoming resistance to change through system-sanctioned appeals*. Poster presented at the 16th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Long Beach, CA.
- Black, J.F., Nam, H.H., & Jost, J.T. (2014, February). *Overcoming resistance to change using system-sanctioned appeals in intergroup contexts*. Poster presented at Political Psychology Pre-Conference of the 15th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Austin, TX.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., Campbell-Meiklejohn, D., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2013, April). *The neuroanatomical correlates of system justification*. Poster presented at the 6th Annual Meeting of the Social and Affective Neuroscience Society, San Francisco, CA.
- Nam, H.H., Jost, J.T., & Van Bavel, J.J. (2013, January). *"Not for all the tea in China!" Political ideology and the avoidance of dissonance-arousing situations*. Paper swap at the Political Psychology Pre-Conference of the 14th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.
- Nam, H.H., & Danso, H. (2008, April). *Maintaining the hierarchy: Perceptions of immigrants' social status affect immigration attitudes*. Department of Psychology Poster Session, Wesleyan University.

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

INSTRUCTOR

Undergraduate

POL 373: *The Biology of Politics*, Department of Political Science, SBU

POL 346: *Political Psychology*, Department of Political Science, SBU

M.A.

POL 502: *Intermediate Statistics for Political Psychology*, Department of Political Science, SBU

Ph.D.

POL 631: *Political Cognition*, Department of Political Science, SBU

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Advanced Regression, Ph.D. course (Spring 2016) Department of Psychology, New York University (Instructor: Dr. Patrick Shrout)

Lab in Personality and Social Psychology (Summer 2013) Department of Psychology, New York University (Instructor: Joy Xu),

Social Psychology (Spring 2012) Department of Psychology, New York University (Instructor: Dr. Tessa West)

GUEST LECTURER

"The Neuroanatomical Basis of System Justification, Political Action, and Political Beliefs" (Summer 2019) *Summer Institute in Social and Personality Psychology* (Instructors: Drs. Chris Dawes and Eric Knowles)

"The Neuroanatomical Basis of System Justification and Political Beliefs" (Spring 2018, Fall 2016) *The Biology of Politics*, Department of Politics, New York University (Instructor: Dr. Chris Dawes)

"Political Neuroscience" (Fall 2016) *Honors Political Psychology*, Department of Psychology, Florida Atlantic University (Instructor: Dr. Kevin Lanning)

"Grey Matter Density Analysis (Voxel-Based Morphometry)" (Fall 2015) *fMRI Workshops*, Center for Brain Imaging, New York University

"Data Analysis" and "Writing Workshop" (Summer 2013) *Lab in Personality and Social Psychology*, Department of Psychology, New York University (Instructor: Joy Xu)

MENTORSHIP

2016 – Present [Nam Lab](#) director

2021 – 2022 POL 600 project mentor: Lee Paulson

2016 – 2017 POL 600 project mentor: Michelle Io-Low

Ph.D. Dissertation Committees

2023 – 2025 Adam Panish (SBU Political Science)

2021 – 2024 Shawn Kim (SBU Political Science)

2021 – 2023 Brianna Gonzalez (SBU Psychology)

2019 – 2022 Michelle Io-Low (SBU Political Science)

2017 – 2021 Breanna Wright (SBU Political Science)

Undergraduate Honors Thesis and M.A. Thesis Advising

2023 – 2024 Chloe Dela Santa (Brooklyn College, Honors Thesis)

2023 – 2024 Arfa Zahid (Brooklyn College, Honors Thesis)

2021 – 2022 Nicholas Williams (Stony Brook University, Honors Thesis)

2015 – 2016 Helen Chang (NYU, Honors Thesis)
Recipient of Dean's Undergraduate Research Fund Grant (\$1,000)

2013 – 2014 Juliana F. Black (NYU, M.A. Thesis)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

FIELD

Ad hoc reviewer	<p>Emotion</p> <p>Journal of Experimental Psychology: General</p> <p>Journal of Experimental Political Science</p> <p>Journal of Experimental Social Psychology</p> <p>Journal of Politics</p> <p>National Science Foundation</p> <p>Nature</p> <p>Nature: Scientific Reports</p> <p>PCI Registered Reports</p> <p>Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin</p> <p>Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B</p> <p>PLoS ONE</p> <p>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences</p> <p>Political Behavior</p> <p>Political Communication</p> <p>Political Psychology</p> <p>Politics and the Life Sciences</p> <p>Psychology of Women Quarterly</p> <p>Public Opinion Quarterly</p> <p>Research & Politics</p> <p>Royal Society Open Science</p> <p>Social Justice Research</p> <p>Social Psychological and Personality Science</p> <p>Time-sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS)</p> <p>Yale University Press</p>
Editorial Board Member	Communications Psychology (2023 to Present)
Member	ISPP Governing Council (2018 – 2021)
Chair	ISPP 2018 Conference Section: "Biology, Genetics, and Neuroscience"
Co-founder	Marginalia Science , a monthly newsletter for disseminating the work of and connecting underrepresented social scientists. Co-founded in 2016 with Ana Gantman, Pia Dietze, and Laura Niemi.
Guest editor	Special Issue of Social Justice Research (Vol. 30, Issue 4) on "The Neurobiology of Fairness and Social Justice." Co-editors John T. Jost and Stanley Feldman. (2016 – 2017)
Member	Student Conference Planning Committee, International Society for Justice Research (ISJR) Conference 2014, New York, NY

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT

2022 – 2023	Diversity Liaison, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University
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2021 – 2023	Political Psychology Subject Pool Coordinator, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University
2021 – 2023	Diversity Committee, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University
2021 – 2023	Executive Committee, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University
2021 – 2023	Undergraduate Directed Research Co-Coordinator, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University
2021 – 2022	IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, & Access) Fellow Search Committee, Stony Brook University
2017	Faculty Search Committee, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University
2014 – 2015	Class Representative, NYU Social Psychology Program
2012	Graduate Student Admissions Committee, NYU Social Psychology Program

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)
 Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)
 Association for Psychology Science (APS)
 International Society for Justice Research (ISJR)
 Social and Affective Neuroscience Society (SANS)
 American Political Science Association (APSA)
 Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

["Conservative and Liberal Brains Might Have Some Real Differences."](#) Lydia Denworth, *Scientific American*. October 26, 2020.

["I Fear That We Are Witnessing the End of American Democracy."](#) Thomas B. Edsall, *The New York Times*. August 26, 2020.

["Marginalia Science: Breaking Barriers and Creating Inclusiveness."](#) *SPSP Member Newsletter*. April 2019 issue.

["The shape of your brain influences your political opinions."](#) Olivia Goldhill, *Quartz*. March 28, 2018.

["How Politics Breaks Our Brains."](#) Brian Resnick, *The Atlantic*. September 24, 2014.

["Are conservatives more likely than liberals to avoid cognitive dissonance?"](#) Chris Mooney, *Mother Jones*. June 17, 2013.