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EXPERIENCE

MCKINSEY & COMPANY

Associate, Chicago office, 2007 - 2009

- Management Consulting

EDUCATION

Ph.D. HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Social Psychology, 2007

- Dissertation: "A new spin on losses looming larger than gains: Asymmetric implicit associations from slot machine experience"

M.A. HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Social Psychology, 2004

- Thesis: "Buddha, big bellies, & blizzards: Implicit attitude malleability via concentration"

B.A. NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, *Summa Cum Laude*, GPA: 3.95

Dual Majors: Psychology (honors) & Multidisciplinary Models of the Mind (self-designed), 2002

AWARDS

- **National Science Foundation & Harvard Graduate Fellowships**, 2002-07
- **George W. Goethals Teaching Prize** – each year I taught at Harvard, 2003-06
- **Tom Slick Research Award in Consciousness Studies**, 2005
- **Northwestern College Scholar** – 12 students selected annually, 1998-2002
- **Phi Beta Kappa (as junior)**, 2001
- **National Merit Scholar**, 1998

PROBLEM-SOLVING

RESEARCHER: Designed, Implemented, & Analyzed Psychology Experiments, 2001-07

- Published in Peer-Reviewed Journals (e.g., *Psychological Science*, *Journal of Behavioral Decision Making*, *Social Cognition*)
- Presented at Professional Conferences (e.g., SPSP, ASSC)

Harvard University

TEACHING & ADVISING

INSTRUCTOR: Created & Taught Full Year Psychology Course, 2003-06

- "The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly of Psychology"

Harvard University

ADVISOR: Directed Student Honors Theses (5) & Research Assistants (17), 2003-07

- Advised Undergraduates (25/year) on Psychology Courses & Careers

Harvard University

INSTRUCTOR: Taught Courses on Leadership Topics, 2000

- Faculty at the National High School Institute, Leadership Division
- Teaching Assistant - Northwestern's Undergraduate Leadership Program

Northwestern University

LEADERSHIP

LEADER: Led Peers in Psychology & Student Government, 1999-2003

- President of Undergraduate Psychology Association (*NU*)
- Justice on the Student Government Judicial Board (*NU*)
- Representative for Grad Student Council (*HU*), Student Activities Board (*NU*)

Harvard & Northwestern