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## **EMPLOYMENT**

2020 - Present      Post-Doctoral Researcher  
Attention & Working Memory Lab  
Georgia Institute of Technology, School of Psychology  
Principal Investigator: Randy Engle, Ph.D.

## **EDUCATION**

2019                      Doctor of Philosophy  
Cognition and Cognitive Neuroscience  
Michigan State University, Department of Psychology  
Advisor: D. Zach Hambrick, Ph.D.

2018                      Master's Degree  
Cognition and Cognitive Neuroscience  
Michigan State University, Department of Psychology  
Advisor: D. Zach Hambrick, Ph.D.

2014                      Bachelor of Arts in Psychology  
Michigan State University, College of Social Science

## **SUBMITTED ARTICLES**

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Sadiya, S., Harris, L. J., Becker, M. W., Brascamp, J. W., & Hambrick, D. Z. (under review). Revisiting the self-generation effect in proofreading.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, Oswald, F. L. (under review). Does the validity of  $g$  as a predictor of job-specific performance vary with job experience? A test in 31 military occupations.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, Stec, K., Fenn, K. M. (under review). The ACT predicts academic performance, but why? The mystery remains.

**Burgoyne, A. P.** & Macnamara, B. N. (under review). The reliability and validity of the mindset assessment profile tool.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Katsumata, D. S. (under review). Accelerating the acquisition of expertise.

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

**Burgoyne, A. P.** & Engle, R. W. (in press). Attention control: A cornerstone of higher-order cognition. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*.

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Carroll, S., Clark, D. A., Hambrick, D. Z., Plaisance K. S., Klump, K. L., & Burt, S. A. (2020). Can a brief intervention alter genetic and environmental influences on psychological traits? An experimental behavioral genetics approach. *Learning & Motivation*, 72. DOI: 10.1016/j.lmot.2020.101683

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Tsukahara, J. S., Draheim, C., & Engle, R. W. (2020). Differential and experimental approaches to studying intelligence in humans and non-human animals. *Learning & Motivation*, 72. DOI: 10.1016/j.lmot.2020.101689

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Hambrick, D. Z., & Altmann, E. M. (2020). Incremental validity of placekeeping as a predictor of multitasking. *Psychological Research*. DOI: 10.1007/s00426-020-01348-7

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Hambrick, D. Z., & Macnamara, B. N. (2020). How firm are the foundations of mindset theory? The claims appear stronger than the evidence. *Psychological Science*, 31, 258-267. DOI: 10.1177/0956797619897588

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Hambrick, D. Z., & Altmann, E. M. (2019). Placekeeping ability as a component of fluid intelligence: Not just working memory capacity. *American Journal of Psychology*, 132, 439-449. DOI: 10.5406/amerjpsyc.132.4.0439

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Harris, L. J., & Hambrick, D. Z. (2019). Predicting skill acquisition in music: The role of general intelligence, music aptitude, and mindset. *Intelligence*, 76. DOI: 10.1016/j.intell.2019.101383

- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Hambrick, D. Z., & Altmann, E. M. (2019). Is working memory a causal factor in fluid intelligence? *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*, *26*, 1333-1339. DOI: 10.3758/s13423-019-01606-9
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Nye, C. D., Macnamara, B. N., Charness, N., & Hambrick, D. Z. (2019). The impact of domain-specific experience on chess skill: Re-analysis of a key study. *American Journal of Psychology*, *132*, 27-38. DOI: 10.5406/amerjpsyc.132.1.0027
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Hambrick, D. Z., Moser, J. S., & Burt, S. A. (2018). Analysis of a mindset intervention. *Journal of Research in Personality*, *77*, 21-30. DOI: 10.1016/j.jrp.2018.09.004
- Mix, K., Hambrick, D. Z., Satyam, V. R., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Levine, S. C. (2018). The latent structure of spatial skill: A test of the 2 x 2 typology. *Cognition*, *180*, 268-278. DOI: 10.1016/j.cognition.2018.07.012
- Hambrick, D. Z., Altmann, E., & **Burgoyne, A. P.** (2018). A knowledge-activation approach to testing the circumvention-of-limits hypothesis. *American Journal of Psychology*, *131*, 307-321. DOI: 10.5406/amerjpsyc.132.4.0439
- Sisk, V., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, Sun, J., Butler, J. L., & Macnamara, B. N. (2018). To what extent and under which circumstances are growth mindsets important to academic achievement? Two Meta-analyses. *Psychological Science*, *29*, 549-571. DOI: 10.1177/0956797617739704
- Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, Macnamara, B. N., & Ullén, F. (2018). Toward a multifactorial model of expertise: Beyond born versus made. *The New York Academy of Sciences*, *1423*, 284-295. DOI: 10.1111/nyas.13586
- Sala, G., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, Macnamara, B. N., Hambrick, D. Z., Campitelli, G., & Gobet, F. (2017). Checking the “academic selection” argument. Chess players outperform non-chess players in cognitive skills related to intelligence: A meta-analysis. *Intelligence*, *61*, 130-139. DOI: 10.1016/j.intell.2017.01.013
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Sala, G., Gobet, F., Macnamara, B. N., Campitelli, G., & Hambrick, D. Z. (2016). The relationship between cognitive ability and chess skill: A comprehensive meta-analysis. *Intelligence*, *59*, 72-83. DOI: 10.1016/j.intell.2016.08.002

## REVIEWS AND COMMENTARIES

Hambrick, D. Z., & **Burgoyne, A. P.** (2019). Beyond nature vs. nurture in expertise research – comment on J. Baker and N. Wattie. *Current Issues in Sport Science*, 4, 104. DOI: 10.15203/CISS\_2019.104

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Engle, R. M. (2020). Mitochondrial functioning and its relation to higher-order cognitive processes. *Journal of Intelligence*, 8, 14. DOI: 10.3390/jintelligence8020014

## CHAPTERS

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Harris, L. J., & Hambrick, D. Z. (in press). “The origins of musical expertise.” In G. McPherson (Ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Music Performance*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Araujo, D. (2020). “Working memory and expertise: An ecological perspective.” In R. Logie, V. Camos, & N. Cowan (Eds.), *Working Memory: State of the Science (The Oxford Handbook of Working Memory)*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Altmann, E. M. (2020) "Problem solving and intelligence." In R. J. Sternberg (Ed.), *Thinking and Problem Solving (Handbook of Perception and Cognition)*, Volume 3. Academic Press.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Oswald, F. L. (2019) "The role of interests in the development of expertise: A multifactorial perspective." In C. D. Nye & J. Rounds (Eds.), *Vocational Interests in the Workplace: Rethinking Behavior at Work*. Routledge.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Oswald, F. L. (2019). “Domain-general models of expertise: The role of cognitive ability.” In P. Ward, J. M. Schraagen, J. Gore, & E. Roth (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Expertise*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, Campitelli, G., & Macnamara, B. N. (2018). “Working memory, thinking, and expertise.” In L. J. Ball & V. A. Thompson (Eds.), *International Handbook of Thinking and Reasoning*. Psychology Press.

Macnamara, B. N., Hambrick, D. Z., Frank, D. J., King, M. J., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Meinz, E. J. (2018). "The deliberate practice view: An evaluation of definitions, claims, and empirical evidence." In D. Z. Hambrick, G. Campitelli, & B. N. Macnamara (Eds), *The Science of Expertise*. Psychology Press.

## POPULAR WRITING

Hambrick, D. Z. & **Burgoyne, A. P.** (2019, May 29). Looks Matter, but So Do Smarts, *Scientific American*. Retrieved from <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/looks-matters-but-so-does-smarts/>

**Burgoyne, A. P.** & Hambrick, D. Z. (2017, January 12). Intelligence and the DNA Revolution, *Scientific American*. Retrieved from <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/intelligence-and-the-dna-revolution/>

**Burgoyne, A. P.** & Hambrick, D. Z. (2017, August 22). Flagging Fake News or Bad Sources Won't Work, *Slate*. Retrieved from [http://www.slate.com/articles/health\\_and\\_science/science/2017/01/educating\\_people\\_about\\_sources\\_won\\_t\\_stop\\_fake\\_news.html](http://www.slate.com/articles/health_and_science/science/2017/01/educating_people_about_sources_won_t_stop_fake_news.html)

Hambrick, D. Z. & **Burgoyne, A. P.** (2016, September 18). The Difference Between Rationality and Intelligence, *New York Times*, p. SR12.

## PRESENTATIONS AND SYMPOSIA

Hambrick, D. Z., **Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Altmann, E. M. (2019, June). *Placekeeping Ability as a Cognitive Control Construct: Validity and Malleability*. Presentation at the annual Office of Naval Research Program Review (Hawkins ONR 341), Arlington, D.C.

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, Hambrick, D. Z., & Macnamara, B. N. (2019, April). *How Firm Are the Foundations of Mindset Theory?* Presentation at the annual conference of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

**Burgoyne, A. P.**, & Hambrick, D. Z. (2018, November). *Placekeeping Ability, Working Memory, and Fluid Intelligence*. Presentation at Rice University's Industrial/Organizational Psychology Department's Brown Bag Series. Houston, TX.

- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Altmann, E. M., & Hambrick, D. Z. (2018, November). *Placekeeping Ability as a Component of Fluid Intelligence*. Poster presented at the annual Psychonomics convention, New Orleans, LA.
- Macnamara, B. N. & **Burgoyne, A. P.** (2018, May). *How Important Are Growth Mindsets for Learning and Achievement?* Symposium at the annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Hambrick, D. Z., & Harris, L. J. (2018, May). *The Role of Cognitive Ability, Music Aptitude, and Mindset in Acquiring Musical Skill*. Presentation at the annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Burt, S. A., Moser, J., Yeager, D., Plaisance, K., & Hambrick, D. Z. (2018, April). *Altering Mindsets with a Brief Online Intervention*. Presentation at the annual conference of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Altmann, E. M., & Hambrick, D. Z. (2017, May). *Cognitive Determinants of Multitasking Ability*. Poster presented at the annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Nye, C. D., Macnamara, B. N., Charness, N., Hambrick, D. Z. (2017, April). *The Impact of Domain-Specific Experience on Chess Skill: Re-Analysis of a Key Study*. Presentation at the annual conference of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Harris, L. J., & Hambrick, D. Z. (2016, May). *Acquiring Skill in Music*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Burgoyne, A. P.**, Sala, G., Gobet, F., Macnamara, B. N., Campitelli, G., Hambrick, D. Z. (2016, May). *The Relationship Between Intelligence and Expertise in Chess: A Meta-Analysis*. Presentation at the annual conference of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

## GRANTS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

### **2020 Defense University Research Instrumentation Program Grant: \$146,400**

*Physiological Underpinnings of Attention Control, Working Memory Capacity, and Fluid Intelligence: The Role of the Locus Coeruleus.* Grant application written by Alexander P. Burgoyne and Randall W. Engle; awarded to Randall W. Engle.

### **2018 Research Scholars Award: \$3,500**

*The Nature and Nurture of Skilled Performance: Understanding the Role of Basic Abilities and Training on Complex Task Performance.*

### **2018 Thompson Endowment Fellowship: \$1,000**

*The Nature and Nurture of Skilled Performance: Understanding the Role of Basic Abilities and Training on Complex Task Performance.*

### **2018 Future Academic Scholars in Teaching Fellowship: \$2,000**

*Cognitive Processes Underlying Undergraduate Writing and Proofreading.*

### **2018 Research Enhancement Award: \$1,000**

*Circumvention of Limits in Chess.*

### **2018 Travel Award: \$1,100**

*Funding for APS and MPA annual conventions.*

### **2017 Summer Fellowship Award: \$600**

### **2015 Rasmussen Fellowship Award: \$5,000**

## COGNITIVE ABILITY TESTING SOFTWARE

2020	Stroop Squared (E-Prime, E-prime Go)
2020	Auditory Flanker – Adaptive Difficulty (E-Prime, E-prime Go)
2020	Auditory Stroop – Adaptive Difficulty (E-Prime, E-prime Go)
2020	Auditory Simon – Adaptive Difficulty (E-Prime, E-prime Go)
2020	Melody Memory (E-Prime, E-prime Go)
2020	Attending to Speech in Noise (E-Prime, E-prime Go)
2020	Multiple Object Tracking (Open Sesame)
2017	Visual Arrays Task (E-Prime)
2017	Choose-A-Move Chess Test (E-Prime)

2017 Chess Knowledge Test (E-Prime)  
 2017 Typing Speed Test (E-Prime)  
 2016 Reading Comprehension Test (E-Prime)  
 2016 Pattern Comparison Test (E-Prime)

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## WEB DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT

[www.scienceofexpertise.com](http://www.scienceofexpertise.com) – Website for the Expertise Laboratory

[www.journalofexpertise.org](http://www.journalofexpertise.org) – Official website for the Journal of Expertise

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2020 – Present Post-Doctoral Researcher  
 Attention & Working Memory Lab  
 Georgia Institute of Technology, School of Psychology  
 Principal Investigator: Randy Engle, Ph.D.

2015 – 2019 Graduate Research Assistant/Laboratory Manager  
 Expertise Laboratory  
 Michigan State University, Department of Psychology  
 Supervisor: D. Zach Hambrick, Ph.D.

2016 Teaching Assistant  
 Psychology 402(W): Sensation and Perception  
 Michigan State University, Department of Psychology  
 Professor: Mark Becker, Ph.D.

2015 Teaching Assistant  
 Psychology 244: Developmental Psychology: Infancy through  
 Childhood  
 Michigan State University, Department of Psychology  
 Professor: Lauren J. Harris, Ph.D.

2014 – 2015 Professional Aide  
 Michigan Twins Project, Michigan State University  
 Principal Investigators: Kelly Klump, Ph.D., Alex Burt, Ph.D.



- 2013 Teaching Assistant  
Psychology 200: Introduction to Cognitive Psychology  
Michigan State University, Department of Psychology  
Professor: Mark Becker, Ph.D.
- 2012 – 2013 Research Assistant  
Michigan Twins Project, Michigan State University  
Principal Investigators: Kelly Klump, Ph.D., Alex Burt, Ph.D.

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2017 – Present Reviewer for the following journals: *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*, *Journal of Behavioral Decision Making*, *Clinical Psychological Science*, *Military Psychology*, *Music Perception*, *Journal of Expertise*, *Advances in Cognitive Psychology*, *Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes*, *Learning and Individual Differences*, *Frontiers in Psychology*.
- 2016 Reviewer for the Association for Psychological Science Student Grant Competition
- 2016 Student Representative, *Quantitative Genetics Faculty Search Committee*, Psychology Department, Michigan State University East Lansing, MI

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Structural equation modeling (*R*, *Amos*, *MPlus*)  
Meta-analysis (*R*, *Comprehensive Meta-Analysis*)  
Multi-level modeling, power analysis, etc. (*SPSS*, *G\*Power*)  
Experiment program development (*E-Basic*, *Open Sesame*)  
Web design (*HTML*, *CSS*)  
Website management and graphic design (*Adobe Dreamweaver*, *Photoshop*, *Illustrator*)

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Fall	2018	Future Academic Scholars in Teaching Fellow
Spring	2017	Leadership Academy at Michigan State University
Summer	2016	Certification in College Teaching Institute
Summer	2016	Introductory & Intermediate Structural Equation Modeling Workshop
Summer	2015	Teaching Assistant Institute at Michigan State University

## MEDIA COVERAGE

### Research featured in the following outlets:

- Vox
- TIME
- Wired
- Scientific American
- Aeon
- The Conversation (x2)
- The Times
- Psychology Today
- American Council on Science and Health (x2)
- Australian Financial Review
- MSU Today (x2)
- Genetic Literacy Project (x2)
- Technology
- Futurity
- EurekAlert
- MedicalXpress
- Mad in America
- Science Newsline
- CWRU's The Daily
- Association for Psychological Science
- The Hechinger Report
- European CEO Magazine
- Huffington Post
- Education Week (x2)
- Reddit (x3)
- Chess.com
- Saint Louis Chess Club
- Chess and Strategy
- Bright Person
- Real Clear Science
- Peak Fitness
- ValueWalk
- New Delhi Television
- Charles Jennings & Associates
- Actualité Houssenia Writing
- Newswise
- Marginal Revolution
- Health Medicine Network
- Newser
- Science Daily
- From Experience to Meaning
- Mensa Côte d'Azur