EDUCATION

**Ph.D. Candidate in Public Policy (Judgment and Decision Making track)** 2015 - 2020

**Harvard University, Harvard Kennedy School**

Advisors: Jennifer Lerner (Chair), Julia Minson, and Todd Rogers

**B.A. Psychology and Economics** 2011 - 2015

**Washington University in St. Louis**

*Magna Cum Laude*, with Distinction in Economics

Advisors: Cynthia Cryder and Alan Lambert

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Judgment and Decision Making, Emotion, Psychology of Disagreement, Impulse Control,

Public Policy, Open Science

PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH

Published

**Dorison, C.A.,** Wang, K., Rees, V., Kawachi, I., Ericson, K.M.M., & Lerner, J.S. (2020)

Sadness, but not all negative emotions, heightens addictive substance use. *Proceedings of*

*the National Academy of Sciences, 117(2),* 943-949.

* Top 5% of all articles tracked by Altmetric

**Dorison, C.A**., Minson, J.A., & Rogers, T. (2019). Selective exposure partly relies on faulty

 affective forecasts. *Cognition. 188(1),* 98-107.

* Editor’s choice in *Science*
* Top 10 social media mentions of articles published in *Cognition* since 2017 (as of May 2019)
* Press: Washington Post, CNN, NPR, El Pais, Behavioral Scientist

Under review

DeWees, B., **Dorison, C.A.**, & Minson, J.A. I was first, and I was right: The effects of task order

on evaluations of peer judgments. *Revise & Resubmit, Organizational Behavior and*

*Human Decision Processes.*

**Dorison, C.A.** & Minson, J.A. You can’t handle the truth (but I can)! The unexpected affective

consequences of disagreement. *Under review.*

**Dorison, C.A.,** DeWees, B., Rahwan, Z., Robichaud, C., & Lerner, J.S. When waste pays:

Inefficient (but seemingly fair) resource allocations are used to signal trustworthiness. *Under review.*

Logg, J., & **Dorison, C.A.** The who, why, and how of pre-registration. *Under review, Invited*

*submission for Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes*

Manuscripts in preparation

Umphres, C., **Dorison, C.A.,** DeWees, B., & Lerner, J.S. The benefit of bias: Individuals who

exhibit sunk cost bias receive social and economic rewards for doing so.

**Dorison, C.A.,** & Heller, B. The reputational costs of ignoring decision frames.

**Dorison, C.A.,** Feiler, D., Kleinbaum, A., & Whillans, A.V. The happiness paradox: The

average friend in a network is happier than the average person in a network.

**Dorison, C.A.,** Wang, K. & Lerner, J.S. Harnessing affective science to improve anti-smoking

public service announcements.

Data collection in progress

**Dorison, C.A.,** Minson, J.A., & Schweitzer, M. The unexpected affective benefits of counter-

arguing partially explain conflict spirals.

Collins, H., **Dorison, C.A.**, Minson, J.A., & Gino, F. Shifting conversational goals can produce

better conflictual dialogue.

Moore, M., **Dorison, C.A.,** & Minson, J.A. Selective exposure signals trustworthiness.

Lerner, J.S., Moore, M., **Dorison, C.A.,** Zabel, C., De Jong, J., Born, D., Lilgendahl, J.,

Srivastava, S., & Ganz, M. Public narrative: Thirteen empirical studies of leadership

measurement and development.

**Dorison, C.A.,** Wang, K., Rees, V., Kawachi, I., Ericson, K.M.M., & Lerner, J.S. Gratitude

reduces addictive substance use.

NON PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH

Published or under review

**Dorison, C.A.,** Klusowski, J., Han, S., & Lerner, J.S. (2019). Emotion in organizational

 judgment and decision making. *Organizational Dynamics.*

Lerner, J.S., **Dorison, C.A.,** & Klusowski, J. (2019). How do emotions affect decision making?

 *Revise & Resubmit, Handbook of Emotion Theory*

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

**Selective exposure partly relies on faulty affective forecasts**

(Dorison, Minson, & Rogers)

* Behavioral Decision Research in Management, Boston, MA, 2018
* Society for Affective Science, Los Angeles, CA, 2017
* Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Vancouver, Canada, 2017
* Harvard Program on Negotiation, Boston, MA, 2017

**Emotion, Impatience, and Addictive Behavior**

(Dorison, Wang, Rees, Kawachi, Ericson, & Lerner)

* University of Pennsylvania Behavioral Science and Health Symposium, Philadelphia, PA, 2018
* Behavioral Science and Policy Association, Washington, DC, 2018
* Harvard Behavioral Insights Group Workshop on Behavioral Insights in Health, Boston, MA, 2017

**You can’t handle the truth (but I can)! The unexpected affective consequences of disagreement**

(Dorison & Minson)

* Academy of Management, Boston, MA, 2019

**When waste pays: Equal (but inefficient) allocations signal trustworthiness**

(DeWees, Dorison, Rahwan, Robichaud, & Lerner)

* Society for Judgment and Decision Making, New Orleans, LA, 2018

**The benefit of bias: Individuals who honor sunk costs receive social and economic rewards for doing so**

(Umphres, Dorison, DeWees, & Lerner)

* Boston Judgment and Decision Making Day, Boston, MA, 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Harvard Kennedy School Degree Program,** *Teaching Fellow and Guest Lecturer\** 2018

Course: Leadership Decision Making (Instructor: Professor Jennifer S. Lerner)

Mean: 4.61/5; Median: 5/5; Mode: 5/5

**California Police Chiefs Executive Leadership Institute,** *Instructor\*\** 2017 - 2019

Course: Leadership Decision Making

Mean: 4.78/5; Median: 5/5; Mode: 5/5

**Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education,** *Curriculum Coach* 2015 - 2019

Course: Leadership Decision Making (Faculty Chair: Professor Jennifer S. Lerner)

\*Recipient of Bok Center Teaching Award.

\*\*Taught nine-hour session in July 2017-2019 on decision science to thirty police chiefs. Will return in July 2020.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, HONORS, AND AFFILIATIONS

**Fellowships**

Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, *Dissertation Completion Fellowship* 2019 - 2020

Harvard Kennedy School, *Taubman Center for State and Local Government* 2018 - 2019

Harvard Kennedy School, *Ash Center for Democracy* 2018 - 2019

Harvard Kennedy School, *Center for Public Leadership* 2017 - 2019

Harvard Kennedy School, *Graduate Research Program* 2015 - 2017

**Grants** (Total: $34,600)

Harvard Kennedy School, *Center for Public Leadership* (with Jennifer Lerner)2017

Harvard Kennedy School, *Foundations of Human Behavior* (with Julia Minson)2017

Harvard Law School, *Program on Negotiation* (with Julia Minson)2016

Harvard University, *Mind-Brain-Behavior Interfaculty Initiative* (with Jennifer Lerner)2016

**Honors**

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP), *Graduate Student Travel Award* 2017

SPSP Political Psychology Preconference, *Graduate Student Award* 2016

National Merit Scholarship Corporation, *Merit Scholar* 2011 - 2015

Big Y Scholarship for Academic Excellence, *Scholarship Recipient* 2012

**Affiliations**

Society for Judgment and Decision Making

Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Academy of Management

Society for Affective Science

Behavioral Science and Policy Association

REFERENCES

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