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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 2020-present **Yale University— New Haven, CT**
Postdoctoral Associate, Department of Psychology
- 2020 **University of California, Irvine— Irvine, CA**
Ph.D. in Psychological Science
Specializations in Developmental Psychology, Psychology and the Law, and Quantitative Methods
- 2017 **University of California, Irvine— Irvine, CA**
Master of Arts in Social Ecology
- 2014 **Rice University— Houston, TX**
B.A. in Psychology and Kinesiology

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

- 2020 UCI Social Ecology Alumni Award
- 2020 UCI Social Ecology Dean's Dissertation Writing Fellowship
- 2019 Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA) Emerging Scholar
- 2018 UC Consortium on the Developmental Science of Adolescence Seed Grant— \$9960
- 2018 UCI Social Ecology Dean's Advancement Fellowship— \$6683.67
- 2018 American Psychological Association (APA) Dissertation Research Award— \$5000
- 2018 UCI Social Ecology Dean's Dissertation Data Collection Award— \$1000
- 2018 EADP-EARA-SRA International Summer School— Junior Scholar
- 2018 Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA) Travel Award
- 2018 UCI Center for Psychology and Law Travel Award
- 2018 UCI DECADE Student Travel Award
- 2017 UC Consortium for Social Sciences and Law Summer Fellowship
- 2017 American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS) Grant-in-Aid— \$1000
- 2017 American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS) Minority Affairs Committee Diversity Research Grant— \$1000
- 2016-2019 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow
- 2016-2018 UCI Center for Psychology and Law— Distinguished Student Fellow
- 2015-2019 UCI School of Social Ecology Graduate Mentoring Award
- 2015 Ford Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship- Honorable Mention
- 2014 UCI Provost Ph.D. Fellowship
- 2014 UCI Diversity Recruitment Fellowship

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

**Asterisks denote equal contribution from each author*

- *Boykin, C.M., Brown, N.D, Carter, J.T., Dukes, K., Green, D., Harrison, T., Hebl, M., Membere, A., McCleary-Gaddy, A., McJunkins, C., **Simmons, C.**, Singletary Walker, S., Smith, A.N., & Williams, A.D. Anti-Racist Actions and Accountability: No More Empty Promises. *Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion.*

- Fine, A., **Simmons, C.**, Cavanagh, C., Rowan, Z., Frick, P.J., Steinberg, L., & Cauffman, E. (In press). Implications of Youths' Perceptions of the Police for the Cycle of Violence, Code of the Streets, and Violent Offending. *Psychology of Violence*.
- Simmons, C.**, Fine, A., Knowles, A., Frick, P.J., Steinberg, L., & Cauffman, E. (2020). The relation between callous-unemotional traits, psychosocial maturity, and delinquent behavior among justice involved youth. *Child Development*.
- Simmons, C.**, Rowan, Z., Knowles, A., Steinberg, L., Frick., P.J., & Cauffman, E. (2019). A Life History Approach to Understanding Juvenile Offending and Aggression. *Aggression and Violent Behavior*.
- Fine, A., Rowan, Z., & **Simmons, C.** (2019). Do Politics Trump Race in Determining America's Youths' Perceptions of Law Enforcement? *Journal of Criminal Justice*.
- Fine, A., **Simmons, C.**, Miltimore, S., Steinberg, L., Frick, P.J., & Cauffman, E. (2018). The school experiences of male adolescent offenders: Implications for academic performance and recidivism. *Crime & Delinquency*, 64(10), 1326-1350.
- Simmons, C.**, Steinberg, L., Frick, P.J., & Cauffman, E. (2018). The differential influence of absent and harsh fathers on juvenile delinquency. *Journal of Adolescence*, 62, 9-17.
- Mahler A., **Simmons, C.**, Frick, P.J., Steinberg, L., & Cauffman, E. (2017). Aspirations, Expectations and Delinquency: The Moderating Effect of Impulse Control. *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, 46(7), 1503-1514.
- Fine, A., Mahler, A., **Simmons, C.**, Chen, C., Moyzis, R., & Cauffman, E. (2016). Relations between three dopaminergic system genes, school attachment, and adolescent delinquency. *Developmental Psychology*, 52(11), 1893-1903.

LAW REVIEWS

*Asterisks denote equal contribution from each author

- *Cauffman, E., *Fine, A., *Mahler, A., & ***Simmons, C.** (2018). How Developmental Science Influences Juvenile Justice Reform. *University of California, Irvine Law Review*, 8, 21-40.

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

- Simmons, C.**, Kan, E., Simpkins, S., Donley, S., Steinberg, L., Frick., P.J., & Cauffman, E. Assessing the association between participation in extracurricular activities and delinquent behavior among justice-involved youth.
- Beardslee, J., Kan, E., **Simmons, C.**, Peniche, M., Pardini, D., Frick., P.J., Steinberg, L., & Cauffman, E. A Within-Individual Examination of the Predictors of Gun Carrying During Adolescence and Young Adulthood Among Young Men

OTHER WRITING

- Fine, A., & **Simmons, C.** (2018). Moving justice-involved kids between schools may be good for their grades, but it may increase their reoffending. *Post for London School of Economics (LSE) US Center's blog on American Politics and Society*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Simmons, C.**, Frick, P.J., Steinberg, L., & Cauffman, E. (2020, March). *Examining the Age-Related Associations between Callous-Unemotional Traits, Impulsivity, and Delinquent Behavior* [Paper presentation]. Society for Research on Adolescence, San Diego, CA, United States. (Conference canceled).

- Simmons, C.**, Kan, E., N., Steinberg, L., Frick, P.J., & Cauffman, E. (2020, March). *Examining the Influence of Justice System Involvement on Substance Use in Justice-Involved Youth* [Paper presentation]. Society for Research on Adolescence, San Diego, CA, United States. (Conference canceled).
- Simmons, C.**, Knowles, A., Brown, C., Steinberg, L., Frick, P.J., & Cauffman, E. (2020, March). *The Psychological Consequences of Contact with the Justice System* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology and Law Society, New Orleans, LA, United States.
- Simmons, C.**, Knowles, A., Duell, N., Fine, A., Steinberg, L., Frick, P.J., & Cauffman, E. (March 2019). *The Impact of Justice System Involvement on Adolescent Well-Being*. Paper presented at the Society for Research on Child Development Biennial Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland.
- Simmons, C.** & Cauffman, E. (March 2019). *Juveniles Offenders in Solitary Confinement* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society (APLS) Conference, Portland, OR, United States.
- Kan, E., **Simmons, C.**, Simpkins, S., Steinberg, L., Frick, P.J., & Cauffman, E., (March 2019). *Unraveling bidirectionality between extracurricular activity participation and criminal behaviors* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society (APLS) Conference in Portland, OR, United States.
- Simmons, C.**, Fine, A., Mahler, A., Frick, P.J., Steinberg, L., & Cauffman, E. (2018). *The relation between callous-unemotional traits, psychosocial maturity, and delinquent behavior among justice involved youth* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society (APLS) Conference, Memphis, TN, United States.
- Cavanagh, C., Dalzell, E., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2018). *CU Traits among Mothers and Juvenile Offenders* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society (APLS) Conference, Memphis, TN, United States.
- Craig-Welti, J., **Simmons, C.**, Nizkorodov, E., Heckmann, A., & Alvarez-Noli, K. (2018). *Addressing Graduate Student Wellness through Climate Committees*. [Workshop and presentation]. NASPA Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, United States.
- Simmons, C.**, Frick, P.J., Steinberg, L., & Cauffman, E. (2017). *Bidirectional Effects of Callous-Unemotional Traits and Negative Parenting* [Poster presentation]. Society for Research on Child Development Biennial Meeting, Austin, TX, United States.
- Donley, S., Fine, A., **Simmons, C.**, Cauffman, E., & Pluess, M. (2017). *Environmental Sensitivity Among Juvenile Offenders: Do Some Offenders Benefit from a Positive Home Environment More than Others?* [Paper presentation]. Society for Research on Child Development Biennial Meeting in Austin, TX, United States.
- Simmons, C.**, Cavanagh, C., Cauffman, E., Frick, P.J., & Steinberg, L. (2016). *The influence of father-child relationship quality on adolescent delinquency* [Poster]. Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, Baltimore, MD, United States.
- Cauffman, E., Cavanagh, C., **Simmons, C.**, Frick, P.J., & Steinberg, L. (2016). *Substance use among first time juvenile offenders* [Paper presentation]. Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, Baltimore, MD, United States.
- Simmons, C.**, Cavanagh, C., & Cauffman, E. (2015). *Father-child relationship quality and adolescent offending* [Poster]. UC Consortium on Social Science and Law, Irvine, CA, United States.
- Simmons, C.** & Hebl, M. (2014). *The effect of challenging one's status on judgment of others and bullying*. Poster presented at the Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference at UCLA in Los Angeles, CA.
- Simmons, C.**, Yeager, D. Lee, H., & Yang, M. (2014). *Sensitivity to hierarchy as a social motivator for facial recognition*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence in Austin, TX.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2020- **Yale University— New Haven, CT**
Postdoctoral Researcher, Mechanisms of Disinhibition (MoD) Laboratory and Fundamentals of the Adolescent Brain (FAB) Lab
Mentors: Arielle Baskin-Sommers, Ph.D. and BJ Casey, Ph.D.
- 2019-2020 **University of California, Irvine— Irvine, CA**
UC Irvine Center for Psychology and Law— Graduate Researcher
-Organized speaking events pertaining to topics on psychology and law for students, faculty, and community members. Planned networking opportunities for graduate students and faculty members. Facilitated student relationships with practitioners to strengthen the application of research to community problems.
- 2014-2020 **University of California, Irvine— Irvine, CA**
Development, Disorder, and Delinquency Lab— Graduate Researcher
Mentor: Elizabeth Cauffman, Ph.D.
- Investigated the long-term effects of juvenile justice system involvement on adolescent developmental outcomes, accounting for contextual, emotional and psychosocial factors. Responsible for conducting field interviews with juvenile offenders, training and supervising undergraduate research assistants, cleaning and analyzing data, and publishing and presenting findings at national conferences.
- 2012-2014 **Rice University— Houston, TX**
Industrial and Organizational Psychology Research Lab— Research Assistant and Undergraduate Honors Thesis
Mentor: Michelle Hebl, Ph.D.
- 2013 **University of Texas, Austin— Austin, TX**
Adolescent Development Lab— Research Assistant
Summer Undergraduate Research Experience
Mentor: David Yeager, Ph.D.

STATISTICAL AND METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING

- 2019 Longitudinal Data Analysis (Taught by Paul Allison)
- 2019 Latent Class and Latent Transition Analysis (Taught by Karen Nylund-Gibson)
- 2018 Time-Varying Effects Modeling (Self-Taught)
- Longitudinal Structural Equation Modeling (Taught by Candice Odgers and Sandra Simpkins)
- Treatment Effects Analysis (Taught by Steven Vaisey)
- 2017 Salivary Analyte and Immunoassay Basics (Taught by Douglas Granger)
- Structural Equation Modeling (Taught by John Hipp)
- 2016 Applied Longitudinal Data Analysis (Taught by JoAnn Prause)
- 2015 Advanced Quantitative Methods (Taught by JoAnn Prause)

MENTORSHIP

- 2014-2020 UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP)— Mentor
-Oversaw team of undergraduate researchers in developing an empirical research question. Aided in the team's securing of funds, as well as completing applications to and presentations at professional conferences.
- 2016, 2017, UCI Competitive Edge Summer Research Program— Graduate Peer Mentor

- 2018 -Advised incoming graduate students one-on-one to develop and execute an independent research project.
- 2017, 2018 UCI Department of Psychology and Social Behavior Post-Baccalaureate Program— Graduate Student Summer Mentor
-Advised two post-baccalaureate students one-on-one to develop their writing and draft applications for graduate programs.
- 2017-2018 UCI Undergraduate Campuswide Honors Program— Thesis Supervisor
Mentee: Elizabeth Duran
Title: The Association Between Immigration Status, Academics, and Delinquency among Justice-Involved Latino Youth
- 2016-2018 UCI Department of Psychology and Social Behavior— Graduate Peer Mentor
-Provided mentorship and advice for first-year students.

MENTORED STUDENTS' CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Ochoa, A., Farias, L., Martin, J., Shickler, S., Brown, C., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2020, August). *Callous-Unemotional Traits and Gun Use: Examining the mediating role of impulsivity* [Poster]. American Psychological Association Conference, Washington, D.C., United States.
- Martin, J., Farias, L., Ochoa, A., Shickler, S., Brown, C., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2020, May). *Examining Substance Use Trajectories Among Callous-Unemotional Variants* [Poster]. Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, United States.
- Meneses, B., Garcia, J., Gonzalez, E., Alanis, S., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2019, May). *An Examination of the Influence of Sibling Criminality on Juvenile Delinquency* [Poster]. Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention, Washington, D.C., United States.
- Iniguez, C., Sadri, A., Shelton, K., Hasal, S., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2018, May). *The Influence of Justice System Involvement on the Offending Behavior of Callous-Unemotional Youth* [Poster]. Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA, United States.
- Sadri, A., Iniguez, C., Shelton, K., Hasal, S., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2018, August). *Examining the Individual and Contextual Differences Between Successful and Unsuccessful CU Youth* [PowerPoint presentation]. Young Investigator Symposium, American Psychological Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, United States.
- Duran, E., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E., (2018, July). *The Relationship Between Immigration Status, Academics, and Delinquency among Justice-Involved Latino Youth* [Poster]. American Psychological Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, United States.
- Tom, K., Hruza, S., Galystan, E., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2017). *Social relationships of callous-unemotional adolescents*. Presentation at the UCI Undergraduate Research Symposium in Irvine, CA, United States.
- Galystan, E., Tom, K., Hruza, S., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2017). *The Quantity and Quality of Peer Relationships among Callous-Unemotional Youth* [Poster]. Western Psychological Association Convention, Sacramento, CA, United States.
- Hruza, S., Tom, K., Galystan, E., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2017). *Social Relationships of Callous-Unemotional Youth: The Effects of Relationship Quality on Offending Behavior*. [Poster]. American Psychological Society Convention, Boston, MA, United States.
- Clyde, A., Conod, P., Hernandez, B., Williams, L., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2016). *The influence of probation officers on substance use and delinquency among youth from single-parent households* [PowerPoint presentation]. UCI Undergraduate Research Symposium, Irvine, CA, United States.

- Clyde, A., Williams, L., Conod, P., Hernandez, B., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2016). *Substance Use, Juvenile Offending, and the Moderating Effect of Parent Structure*. [Poster]. American Psychological Society Convention, Denver, CO, United States.
- Williams, L., Clyde, A., Conod, P., Hernandez, B., **Simmons, C.**, & Cauffman, E. (2016). *Substance use, parents, and delinquency among juvenile offenders* [Poster]. Western Psychological Association Convention, Long Beach, CA, United States.
- Serrano, V., Rodriguez, A., Castro, A., Hernandez, B., O'Bara, C., **Simmons, C.**, Donley, S., & Cauffman, E. (2015). *Mean boys: Relational aggression and resistance to peer influence among male juvenile offenders* [PowerPoint presentation]. UCI Undergraduate Research Symposium, Irvine, CA, United States.
- Hernandez, B., Rodriguez, A., O'Bara, C., Castro, A., Serrano, V., **Simmons, C.**, Donley, S., & Cauffman, E. (2015). *Relational aggression and resistance to peer influence in male offenders* [Poster]. American Psychological Science Convention, New York City, NY, United States.

MENTORED STUDENTS' GRANTS AND AWARDS

2020	UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Grant— \$600
2019	UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Grant— \$600
2018	UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Grant— \$400
2018	UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Grant— \$400
2018	Association for Psychological Science Student Caucus— Travel Award
2017	UCI Undergraduate Excellence in Research Award—Belinda Hernandez
2017	UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Grant— \$500
2016	UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Grant— \$400
2015	UCI Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Grant— \$700

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

COURSE DEVELOPMENT

2020	Adolescent Development and Child of the Law -Invited to update course content and materials for Elizabeth Cauffman, PhD.
2019	McGraw-Hill Subject Matter Expert -Developed content for <i>Quest: Journey Through the Lifespan</i> , an interactive game that gives students the opportunity to apply concepts from lifespan psychology to real-world scenarios.
2018	UC Irvine Online Master of Legal and Forensic Psychology Program -Invited to develop the content and materials for a course entitled "Race and the Law" for L. Song Richardson, Dean and Chancellor's Professor of Law at UC Irvine.

GUEST LECTURES

2019	<i>Understanding Independent Samples t-tests and ANOVAs</i> , Statistical Analysis in Social Ecology, Undergraduate
2018	<i>Latent Class and Latent Profile Analyses</i> , Graduate Seminar
2018	<i>School and the Purpose of Secondary Education</i> , Adolescent Development, Undergraduate
2017	<i>Adolescence in Time and Space</i> , Adolescent Development, Undergraduate
2016	<i>Substance Use</i> , Adolescent Development, Undergraduate

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

2019-2020	UC Irvine Online Master of Legal and Forensic Psychology Program
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2016	Statistical Analysis in Social Ecology, Undergraduate Naturalistic Field Research, Undergraduate Childhood, Undergraduate Adolescent Development, Undergraduate
2015	Forensic Psychology, Undergraduate Human Sexuality, Undergraduate
2014	Abnormal Psychology, Undergraduate

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

2018-2020	Experimental Liaison—American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS) Student Committee
2018	Planning Committee— Summer Institute for the UC Consortium on the Developmental Science of Adolescence
2018	Ad Hoc Reviewer— <i>Journal of Research on Adolescence</i>

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

2019	Coordinator— DECADE Professional Development Series for Enhancing Access and Quality of Research with Diverse Populations
2018	Peer Grant Reviewer— School of Social Ecology
2018	Peer Grant Reviewer— Competitive Edge Summer Research Program
2016-2018	Student Representative— School of Social Ecology Climate Committee
2017-2018	Grant and Funding Information Coordinator— Department of Psychology and Social Behavior
2017	Guest Speaker— Department of Psychology and Social Behavior Funding Workshop
2017	Guest Speaker— Graduate Division Funding Workshop
2016	Guest Speaker— Department of Psychology and Social Behavior Funding Workshop
2016	Colloquium Coordinator— Psychology and Social Behavior Developmental Psychology
2015	Guest Speaker— ACCESS Social Ecology Program

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

2018-	Society for Personality and Social Psychology
2017-	American Psychological Association (APA)
2016-	Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)
2015-	American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS)
2014-	Center for Psychology and Law, UC Irvine— Distinguished Student Fellow
2014-	Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA)