

Harrison M. Miller

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Ph.D. in Social Psychology (Expected May 2027) Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
Advisor: Dr. Jon Maner

M.S. in Social Psychology (August 2025) Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Bachelor of Business Administration (May 2020) University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record, Florida State University

NPCs & Main Characters: The Psychology of the Self from Buddha to BeReal (University Honors Course) | Fall 2026

- Designed and will teach a novel, interdisciplinary seminar bridging evolutionary psychology, philosophy, and media studies for high-achieving Honors students.
- Developed a collaborative workshop pedagogy, moving beyond traditional lectures to facilitate student-led discussions on identity, AI, and social media algorithms.

Psychology of Personality | Fall 2024 – Summer 2026

Total students taught: ~700 | Average Rating: 4.36/5.00

- Designed and delivered lectures for large-enrollment courses (up to 335 students per section) and smaller summer cohorts.
- Created entirely original curriculum modules (i.e., “The Psychology of Artificial Intelligence” and “The Psychology of Carl Jung”) to improve lecture fit to students’ lives.
- Implemented High Standards, High Support scaffolding, including reverse-engineering study strategies from top performers to share with the wider class.

Graduate Lab Instructor, Florida State University

Sensation and Perception Laboratory | Fall 2023 – Summer 2024

Total students taught: ~75 | Average Rating: 4.45/5.00

- Led hands-on laboratory sections focusing on experimental design, data collection, and scientific writing.
- Adapted complex physiological concepts for small-group discussion and practical application.

Selected Student Feedback (Anonymous Course Evaluations)

- Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award Nomination (2026)
 - “Harrison helped me and my classmates learn by showing a clear interest in the material himself... Whenever a student had a question where he was unsure of the answer, he honestly admitted this... then [came] back to the next class with slides talking about the topic... Harrison truly modeled what it means to be a life-long learner.”
- “Probably top 2 instructors ever and I am a senior... I actually wanted to come to class because he is such a great professor with a ton of knowledge and passion.” — PPE 3003 Student
- “Harrison is certainly very passionate... He encouraged us to see many different perspectives... and he set aside time nearly every class period to discuss lecture topics with the people sitting next to us.” — PPE 3003 Student
- “Clarity of information given was the most helpful! If there was anything he saw as being potentially too challenging... he would make a video or follow-up announcement clarifying how to approach the subject matter.” — EXP 3202C Student
- “I appreciated his respect for students and their needs. I also appreciated that he was so passionate about the subject matter, it helped to spike my interest in the course.” — PPE 3003 Student
- “HIRE HIM” — PPE 3003 Student

Publications

Miller, H. M., & Maner, J. K. (2026). The Proximity of Prestige: Leadership Styles and Representations of Physical Closeness. *Journal of Nonverbal Behavior*.

Miller, H. M., Hasty, C. R., Kievit, D. L., Plant, E. A., & Maner, J. K. (2025). The Role of Political Partisanship and Moral Beliefs in Leadership Selection. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*.

Miller, H. M., Hasty, C. R., & Maner, J. K. (2024). Experimentally Manipulated Anger Activates Implicit Cognitions about Social Hierarchy. *Cognition and Emotion*.

Miller, H. M., & Maner, J. K. (2024). The Evolutionary Psychology of Human Social Hierarchies. In *APA Handbook of Evolutionary Psychology*.

Manuscripts under Review

Miller, H. M., Powell, K. J., & Maner, J. K. The Evolutionary Psychology of Human Social Hierarchies. In *Oxford Handbook of Evolutionary Psychology*.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Miller, H. M., Blaker, N., Van Vugt, M., & Maner, J. K. (Writing). When Bigger is Better: Psychological Associations Among Dominance, Prestige, and Physical Size.

Martinez, J. L., **Miller, H. M.**, & Maner, J. K. (Writing). Dominance, Prestige, and Perceived Power.

Maranges, H. M., & **Miller, H. M.** (Writing). The Behavioral Ecology of Vigilantism.

Maner, J. K., & **Miller, H. M.** (Writing). The (re)emergence of dominance: An evolutionary perspective on the rise of autocratic leadership.

Maner, J. K., & **Miller, H. M.** (Writing). Why Do We Idolize Musicians, Athletes, and Actors? Celebrity Entertainers and the Prestige Snowball Effect.

Rahn, L., **Miller, H. M.**, & Maner, J. K. (Data collection). Associations Between Attachment Style and Leadership Style.

Journal Reviewing Experience

Journal of Experimental Social Psychology

Awards and Recognition

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award (2026)

- Florida State University, Center for the Advancement of Teaching. One of six recipients selected from competitive submissions across the university.

University Honors Program Graduate Teaching Fellowship (2026)

- Selected as one of three inaugural fellows in a university-wide competition to design and teach an original interdisciplinary Honors course.
- Awarded full semester funding and an additional \$2,500 grant for course development.

Dissertation Research Grant (2026)

- Funded by the Florida State University Graduate School and the Congress of Graduate Students in the amount of \$1,000

Russell and Eugenia Morcom GRD Excellence Award (2025)

- Best Poster Presentation, Social Psychology (“Attachment Style Predicts Leadership Style”)

Methodological & Technical Skills

- Web Development for Research: Proficient in React, Next.js, and Supabase/SQL for building custom data-collection applications and gamified behavioral experiments.
- Mobile Data Collection: Developed vibe coding protocols using tablet-based custom software for high-volume field recruitment.
- Statistical Analysis: Proficient in R.

Conference Presentations & Talks

Miller, H. M., & Maner, J. K. (2025, November). *From the Cradle to the Crown: A developmental perspective on leadership*. In S. Peters (Chair), *The Ties that Bind (and Break): Attachment as a Lens for Understanding Intimacy, Instability, and Influence*. Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists, St. Petersburg, FL.

Pedagogical Development and Service

Guest Lecturer, Florida State University (2024)

- *Course*: Evolutionary Psychology
- *Topic*: “Social Hierarchies and Leadership”

Departmental Service

- Departmental Assistant (2022, 2023)
- Diversifying Research in Psychology (DRiP) event participant (2023, 2024).
- Diversity in Psychology Organization of Graduate Students (DPoGS) member (2024-present).
- Psychology Club Graduate School Guest Panel (2025)
- Senior Teaching Assistant (2026–2027)

Mentored Student Presentations

- Villanueva, S.,* **Miller, H. M., & Maner, J. K.** (2026, March). A Test of the Status–Size Hypothesis. Poster presented at the Florida Undergraduate Research Conference, Jacksonville, FL.
- Ojeda, A.,* **Miller, H. M., & Maner, J. K.** (2026, March). From the Cradle to the Crown: A Developmental Perspective on Leadership. Poster presented at the Florida Undergraduate Research Conference, Jacksonville, FL.

* Indicates undergraduate mentee.