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Lecturer & Postdoctoral Fellow

Harvard University, Department of Psychology

Faculty Advisor: Steven Pinker, Johnstone Family Professor of Psychology

Cambridge, MA

2018–2019

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Harvard University

2018

Organismic & Evolutionary Biology

Faculty Advisor: David Haig, George Putnam Professor of Biology

Thesis: What's Good for the Goose is Good for the Gosling? Evolutionary Theory, Parent-Offspring Conflict & Genetic Disorders

Honors BSc (with Distinction), McMaster University

2012

Focus Area: Psychology, Neuroscience and Behaviour

Minor in Biology – Dean's Honour List

SELECTED ACADEMIC AWARDS

NSERC Post-Graduate Scholarship (Doctoral Level, \$63,000)	2014–2017
Harvard Mind, Brain & Behavior Grant (Interdisciplinary Research, \$4300)	2015
NSERC Post-Graduate Scholarship (Master's Level, \$17,300)	2013/14
Foundation for Prader-Willi Research (Summer Research Grant, \$4000)	2013
SSHRC Bombardier CGS (Master's Scholarship, \$17,500) <i>declined</i>	2012

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Kotler, J.**, Mehr, S., Egner, A., Haig, D., & Krasnow, M. (under review) Response to music in Angelman syndrome contrasts with Prader-Willi syndrome. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*.
- Kresanov, P., **Kotler, J.**, Seto, M., Lieberman, D. Santtila, P., Antfolk, J. (2018). Intergenerational incest aversion: Self-reported sexual arousal and disgust to hypothetical sexual contact with family members. *Evolution and Human Behavior*.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.evolhumbehav.2018.06.008>
- Kotler, J.**, & Haig, D. (2018). The tempo of human childhood: a maternal foot on the accelerator and a paternal foot on the brake. *Evolutionary Anthropology*. doi:10.1002/evan.21579
- Mehr, S., **Kotler, J.**, Howard, R., Haig, D., & Krasnow, M. (2017). Genomic imprinting is implicated in the psychology of music. *Psychological Science*, 28(10):1455–1467.
- Kotler, J.**, Balko, K., Berall, G., & Haig, D. (2016). Nutritional phases in Prader-Willi Syndrome: Evolutionary and clinical interpretations. *Journal of Evolutionary Medicine*, 4. doi:10.4303/jem/235968
- Perry, G., Daly, M. & **Kotler, J.** (2012). Placement stability in kinship and non-kin foster care: a Canadian study. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 34(2):460-465.
- Jang, R., Burman, D., Swami, N., **Kotler, J.**, Banerjee, S., Ridley, J., Mak, E., Bryson, J., Rodin, G., Le, L., Zimmerman, C. (2012). Impact of an oncology palliative care clinic on access to home care services. *American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Medicine*, published online doi:10.1177/1049909112452469.
- Hannon, B., Wallace, E., Swami, N., Jayasuriya, C., **Kotler, J.**, Rodin, G., & Zimmermann, C. (2012). Satisfaction with medical care: Patient and caregiver qualitative perspectives. *Journal of Palliative Care*, 28(3):239-239.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREP.

- Kotler, J.**, Haig, D., Wink, L., Krasnow, M. *Play behaviors in individuals with imprinting disorders relative to sibling controls.*
- Kotler, J.**, & Antfolk, J. Sociocognitive development examined through an evolutionary lens: How kin conflict can help explain the development of prosociality. *Frontiers in Psychology*
- Kresanov, P., **Kotler, J.**, Seto, M., Lieberman, D. Santtila, P., Antfolk, J. An examination of maternal/paternal relatedness and self-reported arousal and disgust to hypothetical sexual behaviours.

ONGOING PROJECTS

- Kotler, J.**, Mazur, A., Mishra, S. Applying the relative state model of risk-taking to sexually coercive behaviours.
- Kotler, J.**, Tweed, D., & Pinker, S. Concept creep and sexual violence: How individual differences contribute to our internal conceptualizations of sexual violence.
- Kotler, J.***, Tweed, D.*, & Pinker, S. A corpus analysis of clinical and popular definitions of sexual violence through time.

 ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Princess Margaret Cancer Center – Psychosocial Oncology & Palliative Care <i>Research Assistant: Study of early palliative intervention on patient & caregiver outcomes</i>	2009–2012
McMaster University Undergraduate Thesis – Family & Child Services of Waterloo <i>Application of evolutionary theory to questions of effective placement practice and child outcomes</i>	2010–2011

 SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Invited Lectureships

- “The Interface of Psychology, Medicine and Genetic Conflict” Åbo Akademi, Social & Clinical Psychology, Graduate Workshop (Turku, Finland, 2016)
- “Genetic Conflict Through Development” Åbo Akademi, Social Psychology Graduate Workshop (Turku, Finland, 2016)

Conference Talks

- Human Behavior & Evolution Society (Boise, ID, 2017) – Oral presentation *Imprinting Disorders Inform the Origin of Music*
- Human Behavior & Evolution Society (Vancouver, BC, 2016) – Oral presentation at the 28th HBES Conference *What Evolutionary Theory Can Teach Us About Pubertal Development*
- Mind, Brain & Behavior Open Science Conference (Cambridge, MA, 2016) – Oral Presentation *Alien Invasion: Imaging Fetal Microchimeric Cells in the Maternal Brain*
- Toronto General Research Institute Summer Student Research Day (Toronto, ON, 2012) – Oral Presentation *Effectiveness of Edmonton Symptom Assessment Scale in the PMH Myeloma Clinic*
- Human Behavior & Evolution Society (Montpelier, France, 2011) – *A database for the support of effective placement practice and research on the factors affecting child outcomes.* (Poster)

 ARTICLES FOR A GENERAL AUDIENCE

- Kotler, J.** Gestational Diabetes and Maternal-Fetal Conflict. In *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science* (2018). Shackelford, Todd K., Weekes-Shackelford, Viviana (Eds.) Springer.
- Kotler, J.** Spontaneous Abortion and Maternal-Fetal Conflict. In *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science* (2018). Shackelford, Todd K., Weekes-Shackelford, Viviana (Eds.) Springer.
- Kotler, J.** Maternal Abandonment and Maternal-Fetal Conflict. In *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science* (2018). Shackelford, Todd K., Weekes-Shackelford, Viviana (Eds.) Springer.
- Kotler, J.** Weaning and Maternal-Fetal Conflict. In *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science* (2018). Shackelford, Todd K., Weekes-Shackelford, Viviana (Eds.) Springer.

 TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Kinship and Behavior <i>Lecturer, Department of Human Evolutionary Biology (Harvard University)</i>	Spring 2019
Experiencing Endings <i>Lecturer, Psychology Department (Harvard University)</i>	Spring 2019
Human Sexuality <i>Lecturer, Psychology Department (Harvard University)</i>	Fall 2018
Introduction to Molecular and Cellular Biology <i>Teaching Fellow, Life Sciences Department (Harvard University)</i>	Summer 2018
Mind, Brain and Behavior Undergraduate Thesis Workshop <i>Instructor, Mind Brain Behavior Interfaculty Initiative (Harvard University)</i>	2015–2017
Understanding Darwinism <i>Teaching Fellow, Program in General Education (Harvard University)</i>	Fall 2014
Vertebrate Viviparity <i>Teaching Fellow, Organismic & Evolutionary Biology (Harvard University)</i>	Fall 2014
Genetics & Genomics <i>Teaching Fellow, Organismic & Evolutionary Biology (Harvard University)</i>	Fall 2013
Introductory Psychology <i>Teaching Assistant, Department of Psychology, Neuroscience & Behaviour (McMaster University)</i>	2010–2011

 OUTREACH EXPERIENCE

Boston Area Rape Crisis Centre ‘24 hour Crisis Hotline’ – Peer Supervisor	2015–Present
Harvard Museums of Science & Culture Science Education Partner Program/Public Science Educator	2016–2018
Harvard Organismic & Evolutionary Biology ‘Ladies Who Lab’ – Founder	2016–2018
Harvard’s Department of Organismic & Evolutionary Biology: Graduate Student Seminar Series – Co-Chair	2014–2016
Harvard Graduate School of Arts & Sciences Student Council – Departmental Representative	2012–2015