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### **Education**

Doctor of Philosophy	University of Missouri-Columbia (2000) Major Area: Social Psychology Dissertation Title: The Moderating Influence of Individual Differences on the Provocation-Aggression Relationship: A Meta-Analytic Review of the Literature
Master of Arts	California State University, Fullerton (1996) Major Area: Experimental Psychology Thesis Title: Evaluation of Leader Emergence in a Leaderless Group Discussion
Bachelor of Arts (With Honors)	California State University, Fullerton (1993) Major Areas: Psychology and Philosophy

### **Professional Experience**

Associate Professor	2014 – Present Department of Behavioral Sciences University of Arkansas-Fort Smith
Consultant	2014 – Present CLEP Introductory Psychology Examination Test Development Committee Princeton, NJ
Assistant Professor	2010 – 2014 Department of Behavioral Sciences University of Arkansas-Fort Smith
Associate Professor	2004 – 2010 Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences Oklahoma Panhandle State University

Consultant 2002 – 2004  
SICA Grant  
Next Step Network Area Prevention Resource Center  
Guymon, OK

Assistant Professor 2000 – 2004  
Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences  
Oklahoma Panhandle State University

## **Publications**

- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Kepes, S., & Bushman, B. J. (in press). Effects of the mere presence of weapons on aggressive thoughts, angry feelings, hostile appraisals, and aggressive behavior: A meta-analytic review of the weapons effect literature. *Personality and Social Psychology Review*.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (in press). Type A/B personalities. In B. J. Carducci (Editor-in-Chief) & J. S. Mio & R. E. Riggio (Vol. Eds.), *Wiley-Blackwell encyclopedia of personality and individual differences: Vol. IV. Clinical, applied, and cross-cultural research*. Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons.
- Benjamin, A.J., Jr., & Bushman, B. J. (2017). The weapons effect. *Current Opinion in Psychology*, *19*, 93-97.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & \*Oelke, S. E. (2016). Framing effects on attitudes toward torture. *Kommunikáció, Média, Gazdaság*, *13* (1), 229-241.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. & Bushman, B. J. (2016). The weapons priming effect. *Current Opinion in Psychology*, *12*, 45-48.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2016). Right-wing authoritarianism and attitudes toward torture. *Social Behavior and Personality: An International Journal*, *44* (6), 881-888.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2016). Aggression. In H. S. Friedman (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Mental Health* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Vol. 1, pp. 33-39). San Diego, CA: Academic Press.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., (2015). Measuring right-wing authoritarianism and ideology. *National Social Science Journal*, *44* (1), 5-7.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2014). Chasing the elusive left-wing authoritarian: An examination of Altemeyer's Right-Wing Authoritarianism and Left-Wing Authoritarianism scales. *National Social Science Journal*, *43* (1), 7-13.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2008). The general aggression model as a framework for understanding torture and genocide. *National Social Science Journal*, *31* (1), 1-8.

- Bettencourt, B. A., Talley, A., Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Valentine, J. (2006). Personality and aggressive behavior under provoking and neutral conditions: A meta-analytic review. *Psychological Bulletin*, *132*, 751-777.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2006). The relationship between right-wing authoritarianism and attitudes toward violence: Further validation of the Attitudes Toward Violence Scale. *Social Behavior and Personality: An International Journal*, *34*, 923-926.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2006). Human aggression and violence: Understanding torture from a psychological perspective. *National Social Science Journal*, *26* (2), 12-19.
- Anderson, C. A., Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Wood, P. K., & Bonacci, A. M. (2006). Development and testing of the attitudes toward violence scale: Evidence for a four-factor model. *Aggressive Behavior*, *32*, 122-136.
- Bartholow, B. D., Anderson, C. A., Carnagey, N. L., & Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2005). Interactive effects of life experience and situational cues on aggression: The weapons priming effect in hunters and nonhunters. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, *41*, 48-60.
- Anderson, C. A., Flanagan, M., Carnagey, N. L., Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Eubanks, J., & Valentine, J. C. (2004). Violent video games: Specific effects of violent content on aggressive thoughts and behavior. *Advances in Experimental Social Psychology*, *36*, 199-249.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (1999). The influence of locus of control and aggressiveness of rock music videos on aggression: A reanalysis and methodological critique of Wann and Wilson (1996). *Journal of Social Behavior and Personality*, *14*, 491-498.
- Anderson, C. A., & Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Bartholow, B. D. (1998). Does the gun pull the trigger? Automatic priming effects of weapon pictures and weapon names. *Psychological Science*, *9*, 308-314.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Riggio, R. E., & Mayes, B. T. (1996). Reliability and factor structure of Budner's tolerance for ambiguity scale. *Journal of Social Behavior and Personality*, *11*, 625-632.

### **Under Review**

- Benjamin, A. J. Jr., & \*Jones, H. (under review). *Violent lyrics and aggression: Men respond more aggressively than women.*

### **Research in Progress**

- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Bushman, B. J., \*Crosby, M. (manuscript in preparation). *Priming effects of "weapons prohibited" signs on aggressive cognition.*
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & \*Harmon, J., & \*Harmon, H. (manuscript in preparation). *Authoritarian aggression predicts attitudes toward torture, but SDO might not.*

- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. & \*Evans, J. (manuscript in preparation). *Effectiveness framing as a predictor of attitudes toward torture.*
- Benjamin, A. J. Jr., & \*Jones, H. (research in progress). *Interaction of gender and level of violence in music lyrics on aggressive behavior.*
- \*Parks, D., \*Jones, L., Benjamin, A., J., Jr., & Otero, N. (research in progress). *Correlation between alcohol use and PTSD among military veterans.*
- \*Pender, W. S. & Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (manuscript in preparation). *Much ado about adoing too much: Analysis and critiques of violent video game research.*

### **Presentations**

- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & \*Pender, S. (2017, April). *Much ado about adoing too much: Analysis and critique of violent video game research.* Paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Bushman, B. J. (2017, March). *Effects of Weapons on Aggressive Thoughts, Angry Feelings, Hostile Appraisals, and Aggressive Behavior: A Meta-Analytic Review of the Weapons Effect Literature.* Poster presented at the International Convention of Psychological Science (ICPS), Vienna, Austria.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., \*Crosby, M., & Bushman, B. J. (2016, May). *Guns prohibited images prime aggressive thoughts.* Poster presented at the 2016 Annual APS Convention, Chicago, IL.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., \*Crosby, M., & Bushman, B. J. (2016, January). *Guns prohibited images prime aggressive cognitions.* Poster presented at the 2016 Annual SPSP Convention, San Diego, CA.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & \*Crosby, M. (2015, March). *Does the gun warning sign pull the trigger? Priming effects of gun signage on aggressive cognition.* Paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Bushman, B. J. (2015, March). *The weapons effect revisited: An integrative review of the literature.* Poster presented at the inaugural International Convention of Psychological Science (ICPS), Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & \*Oelke, S. E. (2014, May). *Framing effects on attitudes toward torture.* Paper presented at the George Gerbner Conference on Communication, Conflict, and Aggression, Budapest, Hungary.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2014, April). *Measuring right-wing authoritarianism and ideology.* Paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.

- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2013, March). *Effectiveness framing as an influence on attitudes toward torture*. Paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2012, April). *Weapons as triggers of aggressive behavior and cognition: A clearer picture*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2011, April). *Factors influencing attitudes toward torture: Individual differences and situational variations*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2010, November). *The weapons effect: A quantitative review of the literature*. A paper presented at the University of Missouri-Columbia Social Psychology Area Meeting.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., \*Malone, D., & \*Roundy, K. (2010, March). *Factors influencing attitudes toward torture*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., \*Bingham, T., \*Ramirez, J. A., & \*McCarter, K. (2009, April). *The Relationship between Lakoff's "Strict Father" and "Nurturing Parent" Frames and Authoritarian Attitudes*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2008, April). *Does the gun pull the trigger? An updated review of the weapons effect literature*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2007, April). *Priming effects of mortality salience on attitudes toward authoritarian aggression*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2007, January). *The influence of weapons on aggressive behaviors and cognitions: A meta-analysis*. Colloquium at California State University, Fullerton.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2006, April). *The general aggression model as a framework for understanding extreme violence*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & \*McKinley, M. (2006, April). *Right-wing and left-wing authoritarianism: Similarities and differences in attitudes toward violence and need for cognition*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2005, April). *Human aggression and violence: Understanding torture from a psychological perspective*. A paper presented at the National Technology and Social Science Conference, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.

- Bartholow, B. D., & Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (2000, June). *Gun-related knowledge structure differences between hunters and nonhunters*. A poster presented at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Convention, Minneapolis, MN.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Bettencourt, B. A. (2000, June). *The moderating influence of individual differences on the provocation-aggression relationship: A meta-analytic review of the literature*. A poster presented at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Convention, Minneapolis, MN.
- Benjamin, A.J., Jr., & Anderson, C.A. (2000, April). *Routes to Aggression: Priming Effects of Aggressive Lyrics*. Presented at the Annual Convention of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Anderson, C.A., Flanagan, M., Murphy, C., Benjamin, A.J., Jr., Eubanks, J., Valentine, J. (2000, April). *Effects of Playing Violent Video Games*. Keynote address presented at the Annual Social Psychologists Around the Midwest conference, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
- Anderson, C. A., Dill, K. E., Flanagan, M., Murphy, C., Eubanks, J., Valentine, J., & Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (1999, October). *Video game violence: The newest threat*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, St. Louis, MO.
- Bartholow, B. D., Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Anderson, C. A., & Wilke, A. (1999, June). *Gun knowledge moderates the accessibility of aggressive thoughts following gun primes*. A poster presentation at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, Denver, CO.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Anderson, C. A., & Wood, P. K. (1999, May). *The attitudes toward violence scale: Evidence for a four-factor model*. A poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Irvine, CA.
- Benjamin, A.J., Jr., & Anderson, C.A. (1999, April). *The effect of aggressive lyrics on accessibility of aggressive cognitions*. Presented at the Annual Convention of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Valentine, J. C., Eubanks, J., Flanagan, M., & Anderson, C. A. (1998, June). *Automatic priming effects of violent video games*. A poster presentation at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Convention, Ann Arbor, MI.
- Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Anderson, C. A. (1997, May). *Priming effects of weapons on hostile cognitions*. A poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Belloli, C., Mayes, B. T., Riggio, R. E., Aguirre, M., & Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (1996, March). *Personality and communication skills as predictors of student leadership potential*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Academy of Management, Banff, British Columbia, Canada.
- Riggio, R. E., Mayes, B. T., Aguirre, M., Belloli, C., & Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (1995, April). *Assessing critical skills of business students with an assessment center*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Decision Sciences Institute, San Francisco, CA.

Riggio, R. E., Mayes, B. T., Aguirre, M., Belloli, C., & Benjamin, A. J., Jr. (1995, April). *Student outcome measures: Their reliability and convergence*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Decision Sciences Institute, San Francisco, CA.

Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Woll, S. B. (1995, March). *A comparison of the political expertise of Democrats and Republicans*. A poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA.

Benjamin, A. J., Jr., & Woll, S. B. (1994, April). *Overall degree of similarity as a predictor of successful matching*. A poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Kona, HI.

Benjamin, A. J., Jr., Shade, M., & Woll, S. B. (1993, April). *Predictors of successful matches in computer dating*. A poster presentation at the joint annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association/Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Phoenix, AZ.

### Courses Taught

General Psychology  
Research Methods in Psychology  
Experimental Psychology  
Introduction to Behavioral Statistics  
Behavioral Statistics

Social Psychology  
Conditioning and Learning  
Human Aggression  
Capstone  
Internship

### Service

#### **Professional**

Co-Chair, Membership and Awards Committee, National Social Science Association (2010 – 2015)  
Member, Board of Directors, National Social Science Association (2007 – Present)  
Reader, AP Psychology Examination (2016 – Present)  
Ad Hoc Reviewer (presentation proposals), Society for Personality and Social Psychology  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Aggressive Behavior*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *American Journal of Media Psychology*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Basic and Applied Social Psychology*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *British Journal of Social Psychology*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Criminology & Public Policy*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *European Journal of Social Psychology*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *National Social Science Journal*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Psychological Science*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Social Psychological and Personality Science*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Social Behavior and Personality: An International Journal*  
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *The Social Science Journal*

Textbook Reviewer, Cengage Learning  
Textbook Reviewer, Houghton-Mifflin  
Textbook Reviewer, John Wiley & Sons  
Textbook Reviewer, McGraw-Hill  
Textbook Reviewer, Pearson

### **Institutional**

Member, Graduate Council (UAFS) 2016 – Present  
Member, Curriculum Committee (UAFS) 2016 – Present, Chair 2017-2018  
Member, CLASS Promotion Committee (UAFS), 2014 – 2015  
Member, Social Work Program Director Search Committee (UAFS) 2015  
Member, Faculty Senate (UAFS), 2014 – 2015; 2016 – Present  
Member, Sociology Faculty Search Committee (UAFS), 2014  
Chair, Psychology Area Faculty Search Committee (UAFS), 2012  
Member, Technological Support for Instructors Committee (UAFS), 2012 – 2015  
Member, Psychology Area Faculty Search Committee (UAFS), 2011  
Member, Premed Advisory Committee (UAFS), 2011 – Present  
Member, Academic Integrity Committee (UAFS), 2011 – 2014  
Faculty Advisor, Psychology Club (UAFS), 2010 – Present  
Member, Behavioral and Social Sciences Faculty Search Committee (OPSU), 2004-2008  
Member, Faculty Senate, 2003 – 2005 (OPSU; President 2004-2005)  
Member, Academic Council (OPSU), 2004-2005  
Member, Rank and Tenure Committee (OPSU), 2004 – 2010  
Member, Beautification & Sustainability Committee (OPSU), 2009 – 2010  
Member, Course Equivalency Committee (OPSU), 2009  
Faculty Advisor, Psychology Club (OPSU), 2000 – 2010

### **Community**

Member, Texas County OSU Parent Child Connection Program Advisory Committee,  
Guymon, 2007 – 2010  
Member, Texas County Coordinated Community Response Team, Guymon, 2009 – 2010  
Member, District Attorney's Child Abuse Advisory Task Force, Guymon, 2009 - 2010

### **Professional Memberships**

Association for Psychological Science  
Society for Personality and Social Psychology  
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues  
Sigma Xi  
National Social Science Association  
International Network of Genocide Scholars  
Alpha Epsilon Delta  
International Society for Research on Aggression

### **Honors and Awards**



Alpha Epsilon Delta, Honorary Charter Member, Inducted 2013  
Sigma Xi, Inducted 1997  
Psi Chi, Inducted 1994  
Golden Key International Honour Society, Inducted 1990

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