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EDUCATION

2019 **Bachelor of Arts:** Psychology (magna cum laude, cumulative GPA 3.83)
College of Arts & Sciences | Arcadia University | Glenside, PA
Minor: Sociology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2019-present **Research Assistant/Lab Manager | The Phelps Lab**
Principal Investigator: Dr. Elizabeth Phelps, Pershing Square Professor of Human Neuroscience
Department of Psychology | Harvard University | Cambridge, MA

2018-2019 **Senior Thesis Project**
Project Title: Differences in loss aversion between the present/future self in social relationship decisions
Research Supervisor: Dr. Steven Robbins, Professor of Psychology
Department of Psychology | Arcadia University | Glenside, PA

2016-2019 **Research Assistant | The Attention, Memory & Cognition Lab**
Principal Investigator: Dr. Katherine Moore, Associate Professor of Psychology
Department of Psychology | Arcadia University | Glenside, PA

PUBLICATIONS

Oyarzun, J. P., Kuntz, T. M., Stussi, Y., **Karaman, O. T.**, Vranos, S., Callaghan, B. L., Huttenhower, C., LeDoux, J. E., & Phelps, E. A. (2022). *Human threat learning is associated with gut microbiota composition*. bioRxiv. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.06.13.495985>

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Fan, H.*, Castillo, J.*, **Karaman, O. T.**, Shu, J., Stussi, Y., Kredlow, M. A., Vranos, S., Oyarzun, J. P., Dorfman, H., Sambrano, D., & Phelps, E. A. (November, 2022). *Overestimating stress experienced early during the pandemic is associated with decreased emotional well-being*. Symposium talk to be presented as part of "Exploring Relationships Between Various Cognitive Mechanisms and COVID-19 Emotional Distress" at the 56th annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York, NY.

Castillo, J.*, Fan, H.*, **Karaman, O. T.**, Shu, J., Stussi, Y., Kredlow, M. A., Vranos, S., Oyarzun, J. P., Dorfman, H., Sambrano, D., & Phelps, E. A. (May, 2022). *Overestimating stress experienced early during the pandemic is associated with decreased emotional well-being*. Poster presented at the 14th Annual Meeting of the Social and Affective

Neuroscience Society. * denotes equal contribution

Kredlow, M. A., Oyarzun, J., Shu, J., **Karaman, O. T.**, & Phelps, E. A. (November, 2021). *Impact of brief writing interventions on affect and covid-related stress*. Poster presented at the 55th annual conference of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA.

Karaman, O. T., & Robbins, S. J. (June, 2020). *Loss aversion in social relationship decisions for future but not present self*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

Karaman, O. T., & Moore, K. S. (March, 2018). *Using colors to remember in grapheme-color synesthesia*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Philadelphia, PA.

AWARDS & HONORS

2017 **Psi Chi Honors Society**

Awarded membership by having above a 3.0 GPA average in all psychology courses and by earning a GPA in the top 35% of the class.

2015-2019 **Honors Program | Arcadia University**

Gained admission to the program by being in the top 10% of high school class, demonstrating involvement outside the classroom, and engaging in rigorous/challenging coursework.

2015-2019 **Dean's Distinguished Honor List (awarded 3 semesters) | Arcadia University**

Achieved a GPA of above 3.90 for a total of 3 semesters.

2015-2019 **Dean's Honor List (awarded 4 semesters) | Arcadia University**

Achieved a GPA of above 3.67 for a total of 4 semesters.

2015-2019 **Distinguished Scholarship (totaling \$86,000) | Arcadia University**

A merit-based scholarship that recognizes academic excellence, outstanding leadership, and community service. Evaluated on the basis of grades, SAT/ACT scores, types of coursework taken, high school rank and involvement.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- R/RStudio
- Python/PsychoPy
- JavaScript/jsPsych
- MATLAB/Automate
- AcqKnowledge
- SPSS