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EDUCATION

Princeton University, Ph.D. (1979).
Experimental/Developmental Psychology

Montclair State College, M.A. (1972).
Educational Psychology

Wellesley College, B.A. (1970)
Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

The College of New Jersey
Assistant Professor, Psychology Department (1985-present)

Princeton University
Visiting Lecturer (1980)

Caldwell College
Adjunct Professor (1972-1974)

Bell Laboratories
Senior Technical Research Assistant, Bell Laboratories (1972-1974)

Publications and Presentations

Mendoza, M.*, Hanna, H.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2015) *Protagonist gender and protagonist characteristics in popular children's picture books*. Presented at the Eastern Psychological Association, New York, NY.

Barrett, K.*, Chiu, R.*, Martin, K.*, Rai, S.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2013) *Online message boards: Recommendations from parents of young children*. Presented at the Eastern Psychological Association, New York, NY.

Ruddy, M.G. (2012) *Orientation to the Psychology Major advising courses: A four year sequence*. Presented at the Eastern Psychological Association, Pittsburgh, PA.

Ruddy, M.G. *Pharmacological approaches to depression*. (2006) Invited presentation at The College of New Jersey.

Ruddy, M.G., Hundley, E.*, Ogin, J.*, & Wichnick, A*. (2005). *Vivid dream recall by preschool children: Relationship with imaginative play*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

Guimaraes, L.*, Chin, S.*, Coan, J.*, Kievitt, N.*, Pjura, C.*, & Ruddy, M.G. (2004). *Self-regulation and parent intervention: How soothing relates to child's sex and temperament*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Caruso, K. *, Dec., L. *, Kramer, L. *, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2003). *Parent-child play at 18 months predicts attention at 5 years*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Ruddy, M.G. (2003). *Gene-environment interactions in psychopathology*. Invited presentation at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Hamilton, NJ.

- Kennedy, M.*, Carden, J.*, Kubiak, J.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2003). *Parent-child play at 18 months predicts attention at 5 years*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.
- Schmicker, K.*, Chapman, N.*, Crawford, J.*, Johnson, L.*, Kosensky, H.*, Liloia, N.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2002). *How smiling affects impressions: Male vs. female job applicant*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.
- Marcello, S.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2001). *Parental directiveness at 6 months and child's attention-seeking at 18 months*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Providence, RI.
- Prisco, A.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2001). *Children's imaginary playmate formation as a function of family relationships*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Providence, RI.
- Schwarz, J.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2001). *Six-month predictors of attention at 18 months*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Providence, RI.
- Goring, M.*, & Ruddy, M.G. (2000). *Gender differences in parents' restrictiveness of infants' exploration in parent-child toy play at 6 and 18 months*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Baltimore, MD.
- Palka, L.*, Pucci, L.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (2000). *Perfectionism as a risk factor for eating disorders*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Baltimore, MD.
- Dawson, J.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1999). *"Just right" and repetitive behaviors in toddlers: Prediction from temperament at 6 and 18 months*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.
- Martins, S.*, Terlecki, M.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1999, April). *In your wallet, do you sort your money by denomination?* Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

- Ruddy, M.G.**, Anthony, C.*, Yananton, C.*, & Dawson, J.* (1999). *Parental demonstrating*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.
- Ruddy, M.**, & Fitzsimmons, M.* (1998). *Play persistence and creativity at 18 months: Predictions from distractibility at 6 months*. Presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Society, Washington, D.C.
- Ruddy, M.**, & Szemere, V.* (1998). *Attentiveness at 14 months: Prediction from child and parent play at 6 months*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.
- Ruddy, M.G.**, O'Neill, M.J.*, & Rone, M.K.* (1997). *Babies with high visual shift rates: More active or more inattentive?* Presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Society, Washington, D.C.
- Meyer, M.L.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1997). *Does knowing a child's sex prenatally influence parental responsiveness to the baby?* Presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Society, Washington, D.C.
- Ruddy, M.G.**, & Siessel, P. (1996). *Attention duration and shift rate at 5 months predict errors of commission in a continuous performance test at 6 years*. Presented at the International Conference on Infant Studies, Providence, RI.
- Needham, T.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1996). *Responsiveness to crying: Prenatal vs. postnatal beliefs about whether and when to respond*. Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- Ruddy, M.G.**, & Adams, S.R.* (1995). *Responsiveness to crying: How mothers' beliefs vary with infant's sex*. Presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Society, NY, NY.
- Ruddy, M.G.** (1994). *Attention shifting at 5 months predicts inattentiveness and activity at 3.5 years*. Presented at the International Conference on Infant Studies, Paris, France.

Ruddy, M.G. (1993). *Rate of attention shifting at 5 months as a predictor of sustained attention at 3.5 years.* Presented at the meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, New Orleans, LA.

Ruddy, M.G. (1993). Attention shifting and temperament at 5 months. *Infant Behavior and Development*, 16, 255-259.

Ruddy, M.G. (1992). *Attention shifting in the laboratory at 5 months as a predictor of toddler temperament.* Presented at the International Conference on Infant Studies, Miami Beach, FL.

Ruddy, M.G., & Kovalev, V.* (1992). *Smiling at 5 months: A predictor of language comprehension at 16 months.* Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

Teneralli, A.E.*, & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1992). *Lexical-decision priming by troponyms: Effect of relative position in the troponymic hierarchy.* Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

Ruddy, M.G. (1991). *Individual differences in sustained attention at 16 months: Prediction from attention shifting at 5 months.* Presented at the meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Ruddy, M.G. (1990). *Five-month-olds' attention-dividing patterns: Temperament correlates and sex differences.* Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Philadelphia, PA.

Ruddy, M.G. (1989). *Division of household labor: Expectations among engaged couples.* Presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

Bornstein, M.H., & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1983). Infant attention and maternal stimulation: Prediction of cognitive and linguistic development in singletons and twins. In H. Bouma & D.G. Bouwhuis (Eds.), *Attention and performance X*. Hillsdale, N.J.: Lawrence Erlbaum.

Ruddy, M.G., & Bornstein, M.H. (1982). Cognitive correlates of infant attention and maternal stimulation over the first year of life. *Child Development*, *53*, 183-188.

Ruddy, M.G. (1981). *Cognitive correlates of infant attention and maternal stimulation over the first year of life*. Presented at the meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Boston, MA.

Meyer, D.E., Schvaneveldt, R.W., & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1974). Functions of graphemic and phonemic codes in visual word-recognition. *Memory and Cognition*, *2*, 309-321.

Meyer, D.E., Schvaneveldt, R.W., & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1974). Loci of contextual effects on visual word-recognition. In P. Rabbitt (Ed.), *Attention and performance V*. New York: Academic Press.

Ruddy, M.G., & Meyer, D.E. (1974). *Bilingual word-recognition: Organization and retrieval of alternative lexical codes*. Presented at the meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Meyer, D.E., & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1973). *Lexical-memory retrieval based on graphemic and phonemic representations of printed words*. Presented at the meeting of the Psychonomic Society, St. Louis, MO.

Weisstein, N., Harris, C.S., & **Ruddy, M.G.**, (1973). *An object-superiority effect*. Presented at the meeting of the Psychonomic Society, St. Louis, MO.

Ruddy, M.G., Meyer, D.E., & Schvaneveldt, R.W. (1973). *Context effects on phonemic encoding in visual word-recognition*. Presented at the meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Meyer, D.E., Schvaneveldt, R.W., & **Ruddy, M.G.** (1972). *Activation of lexical memory*. Presented at the meeting of the Psychonomic Society, St. Louis, MO.

RECENT SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT, SCHOOL, AND COLLEGE

Department-Level

Psychology Department Associate Chair for Student Services:

Responsible for helping Psychology students with academic inquiries and problems. Tasks include:

- orientation of external transfer students
- advising of freshmen (before individual advisors assigned)
- course registration for new students
- registration of students into closed and permission-required courses
- evaluation of course equivalence (international and domestic)
- discussion of overload requests
- advising of students with academic problems (including probation)
- support of dismissal appeals
- advising of Psychology minors

Departmental Committees:

Advisory Committee in Psychology
Elected personnel committee (1990-present)

Academic Programs Committee

Admissions Committee

Colloquium Committee

Internship Committee

Promotions Committee

Student Awards Committee

Honors Thesis Committees

Member of 12 thesis committees in the past five years

School-Level

Medical Career Advising:

Advisor for Humanities and Social Sciences Pre-Med Course of Study (HSS PMED) (2011-present)

Approximately 80 students in this course of study are preparing for vocations including physician, dentist, veterinarian, physician assistant, physical therapist, occupational therapist, and pharmacist.

College-Level

Phi Beta Kappa

Participation in nomination and selection of new members each year.

TCNJ Alumni Physicians' Advisory Council (PAC)