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I am originally from Minnesota, but I have lived in several states in the Midwest. I was a non-traditional student, in that I returned to college in my late twenties. Upon receiving my Ph.D. in Social Psychology with a specialization in Health Psychology, I taught in Michigan at Albion College, I then moved on to Brookings SD where I taught at South Dakota State University. I then moved to Dover, DE to teach at Wesley College, this is my first year at DSU. I have one child, who lives in the Denver, CO area with his family and teaches math at a community college. I also have two grandchildren.

One of my main areas of research interest is common sense or lay representation of illness and how that affects health behaviors and adherence to health care recommendations. I tend to focus on how gender, ethnicity and even age affects common sense view of illness, coping, and adherence to medical recommendations. I also am interested in studying underrepresented individuals in the history of psychology.

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Social and Health Psychology May, 2005: University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.

B.A., Psychology, 1996: University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN.

A.A., Liberal Arts, 1992: Normandale Community College, MN.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Health promotion

Lay-representations of health and illness in underserved populations

Aging stereotypes and Health

Culturally appropriate research and health assessment tools

Health disparities

Social perception and social judgments

## **PUBLICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

(Note: bolded names are undergraduates.)

### Peer Reviewed Publications

Jenson, M.E, Suls, J., & Lemos, K. (2003). A comparison of physical activity of male and female cardiac patients: Are women at greater risk during recovery? *Women & Health, 37*, (1) 31-48.

Lemos, K., Jenson, M.E., Suls, J., Lounsbury, P., & Gordon, E. (1999). Significance of attending cardiac rehabilitation: Reporting in high risk patients. *Journal of Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation 01/1999; 19 (5)*.

Lemos, K., Suls, J., Jenson, M.E., Gordon, E., & Lounsbury, P. (2003). How do female and male cardiac patients and their spouses share responsibilities after discharge from the hospital? *Annals of Behavioral Medicine, 25*, (1), 8-15.

Rose, J. P., Windschitl, P. D., & Jenson, M. E. (2011). The influence of consensus and mechanism information on trait inferences for targets and populations *Social Cognition*.

Windschitl, P. D., Young, M. E., & Jenson, M. E. (2002). Likelihood judgment based on previously observed outcomes: The alternative outcomes effect in a learning paradigm. *Memory and Cognition, 30*, 469-477.

### Professional Presentations

Jenson, M. E. (2020, 2019, & 2018). Finding Fit: A Strategic Approach to Applying to Graduate Programs in Psychology. Chair & Discussant for The Eastern Psychological Association Psi Chi educational programs for undergraduate students.

**Conti S, Thomas, S & Jenson, M E.** (2020). Overcoming Eugenics Two Men who helped Lead the Way for Psychology, Poster presented at the 91<sup>st</sup> session of the Eastern Psychological Association Annual Meeting. (This was a live online session).

**Meledez-Veuilla, M, Jackson, J, Crowley, A, Jenson, M.** (2020). Women in Psychology who changed the course of Education for Minority Children. Poster presented at the 91<sup>st</sup> session of the Eastern Psychological Association Annual Meeting. (This was a live online session).

**Roberts, D, Kuforiji, A, & Jenson, M. E.** (2019, May). The History of Psychology and the Law: Segregation and Psychology. Poster presented at the 90<sup>th</sup> Eastern Psychological Association Annual Meeting.

**Gross, S, King, K, Harrison, L, Allen, Y, & Jenson, M.E.** (2019). Under Represented Women in Developmental Psychology Poster presented at the 90<sup>th</sup> Eastern Psychological Association Annual Meeting.

Jenson, M.E. (2018, May). Hidden Figures: Highlighting the struggles of Early Female Psychologists and How their legacies were often lost to time and the editing of Textbooks. Session presented at the 89<sup>th</sup> Eastern Psychological Association Annual Meeting Philadelphia, P.A.

**Roberts, D., Showell, K., Arteaga, L., Kefroriji, A.** & Jenson, M.E. (2018, May). Influential Women in the History of Psychology. Poster presented at the 89<sup>th</sup> Eastern Psychological Association Annual Meeting Philadelphia, P.A.

Jenson, M.E. & Purcell, G.R. (2018, January). Round table presentation session at the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, St. Petersburg, FL.

Jenson, M.E. & **Wiess, H., Dilla, S.,** (2013, May). The Influence of Aging Stereotypes on Recovery Projections. Paper presented at the 15th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, DC.

Heerdt, S. & Jenson, M.E. (2012, May). *Influence of Task Importance and Sex of Eyewitness and Perpetrator on Eyewitness Memory.* Paper presented at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago.

**Unzen, B.** & Jenson, M.E. (2012, May). *Procedural Justice and Its Relation to Commitment and Identification to one's University.* Paper presented at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago.

Jenson, M.E. (2011, May). African Americans' and Caucasian Americans' Lay-Representations of Coronary Heart Disease and Diabetes. Paper presented at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington DC.

Jenson, M.E. (2010, May). The Influence of Aging Stereotypes on Recovery Projections. Presented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, DC.

Jenson, M.E., **Dexter, C., & Boehm, R.** (2009, May). A comparison of lay-representations of coronary heart disease and diabetes across African Americans and Caucasian Americans. Paper presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco CA.

Jenson, M.E., **Sparschu, K; & Williams, B.** (2009, May). Gender differences in lay-representations of coronary artery disease and diabetes in a healthy population. Paper presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco CA.

Jenson, M.E. (2009, January). Getting Students Beyond, "Stereotypes Are Bad". Poster presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, St. Petersburg, FL.

- Carlson, J., & Jenson, M.E. (2009, January). Integrating Race, Ethnicity, and Multiculturalism into Undergraduate Psychology Courses. Session presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, St. Petersburg, FL.
- Jenson, M.E. & **Ham, S.B.** (2008, May). Lay-Representations of Cancer in a Healthy Population. Presented at the 20th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL.
- Jenson, M.E. (2008, January). A Sweet Introduction to Sampling Distributions and the Central Limit Theorem. Poster presented at the 30th Annual National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, St. Petersburg, FL.
- Jenson, M.E. & **Swanson, E.**, (2007, May). The Influence of Aging Stereotypes on Recovery Projections. Presented at the 19th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, DC.
- Jenson, M.E. (2006, June). Ethical issues in human research. An invited talk for the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards at the XVII annual conference for Improving Outcomes, Finance & Quality through Integrated Information. Crystal Mountain Resort, Thompsonville, MI.
- Downham, L.**, & Jenson, M.E. (2006, May). Perceptions of aging and recovery from an acute event. Presented at the 18th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, New York, NY.
- Peake, A.L., Early, K.J.**, & Jenson, M.E, (2006, March). Perceived differences in energy expenditure for stereotypical male and female activities of daily living. Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA.
- Jenson, M.E. & Windschitl, P.D., (2001, February). Interdependent/Independent self-construals, trait inferences, & causal attribution. Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.
- Jenson, M. E., Lemos, K., Suls, J, Lounsbury, P., & Gordon, E., (2000, April). A comparison of physical activity in men and women following hospitalization for CHD. Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, Nashville, TN.
- Lemos, K., Jenson, M. E., Suls, J., Lounsbury, P., & Gordon, E., (2000, April). Dyads adapting to cardiac disease: Temporal patterns of recovery and social support in married couples. Paper presented at the meeting of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, Nashville, TN.
- Windschitl, P. D. & Jenson, M. E., (2000, February). Processes mediating the utilization of consensus information in attributions. Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Nashville, TN.

Windschitl, P.D., Young, M.E., & Jenson, M.E., (2000, November). The alternative-outcomes effect in a learning paradigm. Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Los Angeles, CA.

Jenson, M. E., & Windschitl, P. D. (1999, May). How does consensus information influence attributions? Poster presented at the meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

Lemos, K., Jenson, M. E., Suls, J., Lounsbury, P., & Gordon, E., (1999, September). Significance of attending cardiac rehabilitation: Symptom reporting in high risk MI patients. Paper presented at the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICE**

### Consulting Editor

2010 to 2013 Teaching of Psychology (APA Journal)

2015 to 2021 Cogent Psychology.

### Ad-hoc Reviewer

Teaching of Psychology

Psi Chi's National undergraduate and graduate research awards

Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association Division Two

Annual Meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine

Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin

### Service to the College and the Discipline

Eastern Psychological Association Member of the Psi Chi Steering Committee, 2017 to 2020.

Internal Review Board Committee Chair for Wesley College 2017 to 2019.

Advisor for Psi Chi from 2010 to 2021.

Albion College Research Internal Review Board Committee, 2004 to 2009.

### Professional Affiliations

Association for Psychological Science

Society for Personality and Social Psychology

Association for Teaching of Psychology

Eastern Psychological Association