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Research Interests

Primary: Psycholinguistics, Cognitive Neuroscience of Language, Language and Spatial Cognition, Linguistic Reference Processing, Language and Discourse

Secondary: Psycholinguistics of Bilingualism; Language Expertise: French

EDUCATION

University of South Carolina Expected Spring 2029

Ph.D. in Psychology

Concentration: Cognitive and Neural Sciences

Dissertation Title: TBD

Doctoral Advisor: Amit Almor, Ph.D.

University of South Carolina Fall 2024

Master of Arts in Linguistics

Concentration: Psycholinguistics

University of South Carolina Spring 2022

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, *Magna Cum Laude*

Minor: Linguistics

S.C. Governor's School for Science and Mathematics Spring 2020

Concentration in Humanities, *With Honors*

HONORS AND GRANTS

Presidential Doctoral Fellowship, University of South Carolina 2024 - 2028

"Thank a Teacher" Certificate of Appreciation, University of South Carolina Fall 2023

Dr. Yung-Fa Chang Grant, University of South Carolina 2022 – 2023

Corey Claytor Scholarship, S.C. Governor's School for Science and Mathematics 2020

PUBLICATIONS

1. Wilson, S. C., Langley, S., **Warren, K.**, den Ouden, D. B., Almor, A. (in-prep). Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation of the Superior Parietal Cortex Modulates Reference Processing during Reading Comprehension.
2. **Warren, K.**, & Almor, A. (in-prep). Hearing Where They Were: Spatial Indexing as a Modality-General Discourse Mechanism.
3. **Warren, K.**, Newman-Norlund, R., Ahmadi, S., Salman, N., Yang, Y., Willis, R., Guan, X., and Fridriksson, J. (in-prep). Error Profiles as Behavioral Biomarkers of Lesion Location: Cross-Task Stability and Anatomical Predictability of Naming Error Types in Chronic Aphasia.
4. Visikamalla, H., Riccardi, N., Rangus, I., **Warren, K.**, Nichols, C., Horacek, K., Newman-Norlund, S., Fridriksson, J., and Bonilha, L. (Submitted – 3/23/26). Tip-of-the-Tongue Word-Finding Phenomenon: The Significance of the White Matter Language Network. *Neurobiology of Language*.
5. **Warren, K.** (Submitted – 3/19/26). *StatTeacher Toolkit: A Browser-Based Application for Generating and Practicing Psychological Statistics Problems*. *The Journal of Open Source Education*.
6. Fridriksson, J., Newman-Norlund, R. D., Ahmadi, S., Willis, R., Salman, N., **Warren, K.**, ... & Rorden, C. (2026). Stroke Lesions as a Rosetta Stone for Language Model Interpretability. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2602.04074*.

7. **Warren, K.**, Nichols, C., Petersen, D., Shalin, V. L., & Almor, A. (2025). Stylistic language drives perceived moral superiority of LLMs. *Scientific Reports*, 15(1), 39168.

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2. Wilson, S. C. (2022). Lexical and syntactic priming in dialogue. (Order No. 28769220, University of South Carolina). ProQuest Dissertations and Theses, 74. Retrieved from <https://www.proquest.com/dissertations-theses/lexical-syntactic-priming-dialogue/docview/2694405808/se-2>

PRESENTATIONS

1. **Warren, K.** and Almor, A. (2025, March 27). Spatial Memory of Auditory Sources in Language Comprehension [Poster Presentation]. Human Sentence Processing 2026 (HSP), Cambridge, Massachusetts, United States.
2. **Warren, K.** and Almor, A. (2025, November 22). Spatial Memory of Auditory Sources in Language Comprehension [Poster Presentation]. Psychonomics, Denver, Colorado, United States.
3. **Warren, K.** and Almor, A. (2025, November 15). Spatial Memory of Auditory Sources in Language Comprehension [Presentation]. Graduate Students in Linguistics Student Research Symposium, Columbia, South Carolina, United States.
4. Wilson, S. C., Langley S., **Warren, K.**, den Ouden, D., Almor, A. (2023, October 25). Reference Processing Modulation During HD-transcranial Direct Current Stimulation [Poster presentation]. Society for the Neurobiology of Language, Marseille, France.
5. Wilson, S. C., Langley S., **Warren, K.**, den Ouden, D., Almor, A. (2023, April 21). Reference Processing Modulation During HD-transcranial Direct Current Stimulation [Poster presentation]. Discover USC, Columbia, South Carolina, United States.
6. **Warren, K.**, Bury, H., Weist, M. D. (2022). *Comparing Clinicians' and Graduate Students' Multicultural Knowledge and Awareness in School Psychology and Clinical Community Program at the University of South Carolina* [Poster presentation]. Southeastern School Behavioral Health Conference, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, United States.
7. Che, B. and **Warren, K.** (2020). *Air Cleaning Drone Feasibility: Designing a Mobile Filtration Unit to Reduce Indoor Particulate Matter* [Poster presentation]. South Carolina Junior Academy of Science. 140. <https://scholarexchange.furman.edu/scjas/2020/all/140>

TEACHING

Instructor of Record

2026	Fall	PSYC 101: Introduction to Psychology (1 Section)	USC-Columbia
2026	Summer	PSYC 400: Survey of Learning & Memory (1 Section)	USC-Columbia
2026	Spring	PSYC 220: Psychological Statistics (1 Section)	USC-Columbia
2025	Fall	PSYC 220: Psychological Statistics (1 Section)	USC-Columbia
2024	Spring	ENGL 102: Rhetoric and Composition (2 Sections)	USC-Columbia
2023	Fall	ENGL 101: Critical Reading and Composition (1 Section)	USC-Columbia

Guest Lectures

2025	Spring	PSYC 405: Cognitive Psychology	USC-Columbia
2024	Fall	LING 301: The English Language	USC-Columbia
2024	Fall	PSYC 405: Cognitive Psychology	USC-Columbia

Teaching Assistant

2025	Spring	PSYC 572: Cognitive Psychology Lab (1 Section)	USC-Columbia
2025	Spring	PSYC 405: Cognitive Psychology (1 Section)	USC-Columbia
2024	Fall	PSYC 405: Cognitive Psychology (2 Sections)	USC-Columbia

3/31/2026

2024	Spring	PSYC 405: Cognitive Psychology (1 Section)	USC-Columbia
2023	Fall	PSYC 506: Psychology of Language (1 section)	USC-Columbia

OTHER SKILLS

Fluent in English and French. Research methodologies: EEG, HD-tDCS, basic psychology research, and fMRI/MRI. Familiar with R, SAS, Redcap, HTML5, JavaScript, Java, Python, E-Prime, SPSS, Qualtrics, and CSS.