Andrea L. Tracy

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Education

PhD, 2005	Purdue University, Graduate Program in Neuroscience/Dept. of Psychological Sciences
MS, 2002	Purdue University, Dept. of Psychological Sciences
BA, 1999	Grinnell College, Major: Psychology

Positions Held

2015-present	Associate Professor Department of Psychology (Neuroscience), Grinnell College
2009-2015	Assistant Professor Department of Psychology (Neuroscience), Grinnell College
2008-2009	Adjunct Assistant Professor Department of Psychology, University of Cincinnati
2005-2009	Post-Doctoral Fellow Department of Psychiatry, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
1999-2005	Graduate Research Assistant/Teaching Assistant Graduate Program in Neuroscience/Department of Psychological Sciences, Purdue University

Teaching Experience

2009-present	Assistant/Associate	Professor
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Department of Psychology/Neuroscience Concentration, Grinnell College

Undergraduate courses taught: Physiological Psychology, Psychology of Motivation (topic: ingestive behavior, with lab), Psychopharmacology (with lab), Neuroscience: Foundations, Fallacies, & Future (with lab), Behavior Analysis (with lab), Introduction to Psychology (with lab), Neuroscience Seminar (topics: memory, sleep), Tutorial (first-year

seminar, topic: War on Drugs)

Adjunct Assistant Professor 2008-2009

Department of Psychology, University of Cincinnati

Undergraduate Courses taught: The Psychology of Food & Eating, Physiological

Psychology, Cognitive Neuropsychology

Graduate Courses taught: Biological Bases of Behavior

2001-2005 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Department of Psychological Sciences, Purdue University

(Introduction to Learning, Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology – laboratory

sections)

Selected Meeting Abstracts/Presentations (italics indicate undergraduate co-author)

- Riegsecker MJ, Jaime Garcia D, & **Tracy AL.** (2015). The effect of obesity on hippocampal leptin and spatial memory in the radial arm maze. Society for the Study of Ingestive Behavior Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- Tyree IJ, & **Tracy AL.** (2015). Effects of monotonous versus varied ("junk food") high-fat diets on obesity and food motivation. Society for the Study of Ingestive Behavior Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- **Tracy AL, &** Wiese CW. (2014). Reduced sensitivity to devaluation of food reinforcers in obese rats. Society for the Study of Ingestive Behavior Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA.

Tracy AL, Salgado Ferrer M,

- *Tracy, AL, Benoit, SC, Seeley, RJ, & Davidson, TL. (2002). Central infusion of the melanocortin receptor antagonist agouti-related peptide (AgRP) suppresses conditioned responding to a carbohydrate-associated cue. Annual Tri-State Conference on Animal Learning and Behavior, Lexington, KY.
- *Tracy, AL, & Davidson, TL. (2001). Responding based on interoceptive signals produced by 2-DG depends on sucrose anticipation. Society for the Study of Ingestive Behavior Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Research Support

Principal Investigator (PI)/Co-Investigator

Internal

2012-2013 Harris Faculty Fellowship, Grinnell College

Project: Role of hippocampal leptin and mammalian target of rapamycin complex 1 (mTORC1) signaling in cognitive function and high-fat-diet-induced cognitive impairments

2010-present Committee on Support of Faculty Scholarship, Grinnell College

Project: Neural and behavioral mechanisms of cognitive and motivational deficits in diet-

induced obesity

External

2014 Major Research Instrumentation Grant, National Science Foundation (Co-Investigator)

Project: MRI: Acquisition of an Infrared (IR) Fluorescence Imager

Institutional Service

2015-present Grinnell Science Project, Faculty Director

2015-present