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EDUCATION

- 2008 Ph.D. Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida
Area of Specialization: Evolutionary Psychology
Dissertation: Risk of Female Infidelity and Male Sexual Coercion in Intimate Relationships: An Evolutionary Psychological Perspective
- 2006 M.A. Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida
Area of Specialization: Evolutionary Psychology
Advisor: Todd K. Shackelford, PhD
Secondary Concentration: Neuropsychology
Thesis: Men's Partner-Directed Insults and Sexual Coercion in Intimate Relationships
- 2003 B.S. University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida
Major: Psychology

EMPLOYMENT

- 2014-Present Associate Professor, College of Psychology
Nova Southeastern University, Davie, FL
- 2010-2014 Assistant Professor, Farquhar College of Arts & Sciences
Nova Southeastern University, Davie, FL
- 2008 – 2010 Visiting Professor, Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
Nova Southeastern University, Davie, FL
- 2005-2008 Graduate Instructor, Evolutionary Psychology Research Assistant
Department of Psychology, Florida Atlantic University, Davie, FL
- 2003-2005 Graduate Instructor, Neuropsychology Research Lab Coordinator
Department of Psychology, Florida Atlantic University, Davie, FL
- 2003 Developmental Specialist, Early Intervention Program
Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center, Fort Lauderdale, FL

PUBLICATIONS

* Student co-author

Journal articles

Starratt, V. G., Weekes-Shackelford, V., & Shackelford, T. K. (2017). Mate Value Both Positively and Negatively Predicts Intentions to Commit an Infidelity. *Personality and Individual Differences, 104*, 18-22.

Holden, C.J., Shackelford, T.K., Zeigler-Hill, V., **Starratt, V.G.**, Miner, E.J., Kaighobadi, F., Jeffrey, A.J., & Buss, D. M. (2014). Husband's esteem predicts their mate retention tactics. *Evolutionary Psychology, 12*, 655-672.

Starratt, V. G., McKibbin, W. F., & Shackelford, T. K. (2013). Experimental Activation of Anti-Cuckoldry Mechanisms Responsive to Female Sexual Infidelity. *Personality and Individual Differences, 55*, 59-62.

Starratt, V. G. & Shackelford, T. K. (2012). He Said, She Said: Men's Reports of Mate Value and Mate Retention Behaviors in Intimate Relationships. *Personality and Individual Differences, 53*, 459-462.

Miner, E. J., Shackelford, T.K., Block, C.R., **Starratt, V.G.**, & Weekes-Shackelford, V. A. (2012). Risk of death or life-threatening injury for women with children not sired by the abuser. *Human Nature, 23*, 89-97. DOI: 10.1007/s12110-012-9129-9

McKibbin, W. F., **Starratt, V. G.**, Shackelford, T. K., & Goetz, A. T. (2011). Perceived Risk of Female Infidelity Moderates the Relationship between Objective Risk of Female Infidelity and Sexual Coercion in Humans (*Homo sapiens*). *Journal of Comparative Psychology, 125*, 370-373.

McKibbin, W. F., Shackelford, T. K., Goetz, A. T., Bates, V., **Starratt, V. G.**, & Miner, E. J. (2009). Development and initial psychometric assessment of the Rape Avoidance Inventory. *Personality and Individual Differences, 46*, 336-340.

Miner, E. J., Shackelford, T. K., & **Starratt, V. G.** (2009). Mate value of romantic partners predicts men's partner-directed verbal insults. *Personality and Individual Differences, 46*, 135-139.

Miner, E. J., **Starratt, V. G.**, & Shackelford, T. K. (2009). It's not all about her: Men's mate value and mate retention. *Personality and Individual Differences, 47*, 214-218.

Kaighobadi, F., **Starratt, V. G.**, Shackelford, T. K., & Popp, D. (2008). Male mate retention mediates the relationship between female sexual infidelity and female-directed violence. *Personality and Individual Differences, 44*, 1422-1431.

- McKibbin, W. F., Shackelford, T. K., Goetz, A. T., & **Starratt, V. G.** (2008). Why do men rape? An evolutionary psychological perspective. *Review of General Psychology*, 12, 86-97.
- Starratt, V. G.**, Goetz, A. T., Shackelford, T. K., Stewart-Williams, S. (2008). Men's partner-directed insults and sexual coercion in intimate relationships. *Journal of Family Violence*, 23, 315-323.
- Starratt, V. G.**, Popp, D., & Shackelford, T. K. (2008). Not all men are sexually coercive: A preliminary investigation of the moderating effect of mate desirability on the relationship between female infidelity and male sexual coercion. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 45, 10-14.
- Goetz, A. T., Shackelford, T. K., Platek, S. M., **Starratt, V. G.**, & McKibbin, W. F. (2007). Sperm competition in humans: Implications for male sexual psychology, physiology, anatomy, and behavior. *Annual Review of Sex Research*, 18, 1-22.
- McKibbin, W. F., Goetz, A. T., Shackelford, T. K., Schipper, L. D., **Starratt, V.G.**, & Stewart-Williams, S. (2007). Why do men insult their intimate partners? *Personality and Individual Differences*, 43, 231-241.
- Shackelford, T. K., Goetz, A. T., McKibbin, W. F., & **Starratt, V. G.** (2007). Absence makes the adaptations grow fonder: Proportion of time apart from partner, male sexual psychology, and sperm competition in humans (*Homo sapiens*). *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, 121, 214-220.
- Starratt, V.G.**, Shackelford, T.K., Goetz, A.T., & McKibbin, W.F. (2007). Male mate retention behaviors vary with risk of partner infidelity and sperm competition. *Acta Psychologica Sinica*, 39, 523-527.

Books and book chapters

- Starratt, V. G.** (2016). *Evolutionary Psychology: How Our Biology Affects What We Think and Do*. Santa Barbara, CA: Greenwood Publishing Group.
- Starratt, V. G.**, & Shackelford, T. K. (2015). Intersexual Competition. In P. Whelehan & A. Bolin (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Human Sexuality*. Wiley-Blackwell.
- Starratt, V. G.**, & Shackelford, T. K. (2015). Mating Effort. In P. Whelehan & A. Bolin (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Human Sexuality*. Wiley-Blackwell.
- Starratt, V. G.** & Alesia, M. N.* (2014). Male adaptations to retain a mate. In V. Weekes-Shackelford & T. K. Shackelford (Eds.), *The Evolutionary Perspectives on Human Sexual Psychology and Behavior*. Springer.
- Starratt, V. G.**, & Shackelford, T. K. (2010). The basic components of the human mind were solidified during the Pleistocene epoch. In F. J. Ayala & R. Arp (Eds.),

Contemporary debates in philosophy of biology. (pp. 231-242). Chichester, UK: Wiley-Blackwell.

Starratt, V. G., & Shackelford, T. K. (2010). Mate guarding and poaching. In H. Reis & S. Sprecher (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of human relationships* (pp. 1067-1070). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Goetz, A. T., & Shackelford, T. K., **Starratt, V. G.,** & McKibbin, W. F. (2008). Intimate partner violence. In J. D. Duntley & T. K. Shackelford (Eds.), *Evolutionary forensic psychology* (pp. 65-78). New York: Oxford University Press.

McKibbin, W. F., Shackelford, T. K., Goetz, A. T., & **Starratt, V. G.** (2008). Evolutionary psychological perspectives on rape. In J. D. Duntley & T. K. Shackelford (Eds.), *Evolutionary forensic psychology* (pp. 101-120). New York: Oxford University Press.

PRESENTATIONS

Starratt, V.G., Tartar, J. L., & Scheyd, G. (2013). The neurophysiology of perceived attractiveness. *25th Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society.* Miami Beach, FL.

Alesia, M. N.* & **Starratt, V.G.** (2013). When competition turns costly: Exploring mating strategies among female friends. *25th Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society.* Miami Beach, FL.

Starratt, V.G. (2011). Collaboration in Research. *Invited speech to the doctoral students in the Graduate School of Education.* Barry University, Miami, FL.

Starratt, V.G. (2010). Unfaithful by proxy: Sex differences in response to a stranger's infidelity. *16th Annual Department of Psychology Student Research Forum.* Barry University, Miami, FL.

Bates, V. M., McKibbin, W. F., LaMunyon, C. W., Goetz, A. T., **Starratt, V. G.,** & Shackelford, T. K. (2009). Does risk of sperm competition predict men's interest in their partner's copulatory orgasm? *21st Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society.* California State University, Fullerton.

Bates, V. M., McKibbin, W. F., LaMunyon, C. W., Goetz, A. T., **Starratt, V. G.,** & Shackelford, T. K. (2009). Risk of sperm competition predicts men's interest in their partner's copulatory orgasm. *Evolutionary Psychology Preconference, Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Conference.* Tampa, FL.

Bates, V. M., McKibbin, W. F., LaMunyon, C. W., Goetz, A. T., **Starratt, V. G.,** & Shackelford, T. K. (2009). Risk of sperm competition predicts men's interest in their partner's copulatory orgasm, *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Conference.* Tampa, FL.

Kaighobadi, F., **Starratt, V. G.**, Shackelford, T. K., & Popp, D. (2009). Male mate retention mediates the relationship between female sexual infidelity and female-directed violence. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Conference*. Tampa, FL.

Miner, E. J., **Starratt, V. G.**, & Shackelford, T. K. (2009). It's not all about her: Men's relative mate value and mate retention. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Conference*. Tampa, FL.

Starratt, V. G., Popp, D., & Shackelford, T. K. (2009). Just how sure are you? A preliminary investigation of the accuracy of perceptions of partner infidelity. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Conference*. Tampa, FL.

Kaighobadi, F., **Starratt, V. G.**, Shackelford, T. K., & Popp, D. (2008). Male mate retention mediates the relationship between female sexual infidelity and female-directed violence. *2nd Annual Northeastern Evolutionary Psychology Society Conference*. Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH.

Goetz, A. T., Shackelford, T. K., **Starratt, V. G.**, & McKibbin, W. F. (2007). Activating sperm competition psychology: An experimental study. Presented in symposium: "Sexual conflict in humans" (A. T. Goetz & T. K. Shackelford, Co-Chairs), *19th Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society*. College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA.

McKibbin, W. F., Shackelford, T. K., Goetz, A. T., & **Starratt, V. G.** (2007). Female adaptations for rape avoidance. Presented in symposium: "Sexual conflict in humans" (A. T. Goetz & T. K. Shackelford, Co-Chairs), *19th Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society*. College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA.

McKibbin, W. F., Goetz, A. T., Shackelford, T. K., Schipper, L. D., **Starratt, V.G.**, & Stewart-Williams, S. (2006) Why do men insult their intimate partners? *18th Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society*. University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

GRADUATE THESES MENTORED TO COMPLETION

2014-2016 Member: Master's Thesis Committee: Matthew Welhaf
Department of Psychology & Neuroscience

2014-2015 Chair: Master's Thesis Committee: Jackie McDowell
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences

2012-2014 Member: Master's Thesis Committee: Alexandra Srouf
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences

2011-2013 Chair: Master's Thesis Committee: Michele Alesia
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences

2011-2013 Member: Master's Thesis Committee: Benita Benny
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

Ad hoc referee for: *Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences*; *Personality and Individual Differences*; *Psychoneuroendocrinology*; *Evolutionary Psychology*; *Journal of Family Violence*; *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*; *Human Nature*; *Personal Relationships*; *Peace and Conflict Studies*; Sage Publishing; and Oxford University Press

TEACHING

Undergraduate

Evolutionary Psychology, Introduction to Quantitative Psychology, Introduction to Psychology, Intermediate Statistics Lab, History and Theories of Psychology, Practicum in Psychological Research, Psychological Research Methods, Human Sexuality, Psychology of Gender

Graduate

Psychological Quantitative Methods I, Grant Writing and Publishing, Evolutionary Psychology

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2016-present Co-chair: Faculty Initiated Enrollment Committee
Department of Psychology & Neuroscience

2016-present Member: Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Department of Psychology & Neuroscience

2015-2016 Member: Committee for Collaborative Research
College of Psychology

2014-2015 Member: Curriculum Committee
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences

2011-2015 Member: Academic Integrity Committee
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences

2009-2015 Member: Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences

- 2014 Member: College Committee on Academic Program Metrics
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
- 2013 Member: Enhancing Extramural Research Funding Committee
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
- 2013 Member: HHMI Grant Task Force
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
- 2013 Member: Faculty Authored Texts Task Force
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
- 2013 Faculty Advisor: 2013 Undergraduate Student Symposium
- 2011-2012 Member: General Studies Curriculum Committee
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
- 2011 Member: Search Committee for the position of Assistant Professor of
Psychology in the area of Clinical/Substance Abuse Psychology
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 2010 Member: Diversity Studies Program Proposal Review
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 2009-2010 Member: MS Prep Committee
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 2009-2010 Member: Writing Across the Curriculum Committee
Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
- 2009 Faculty Advisor: 2009 Undergraduate Student Symposium
- 2008-2009 Member: Subcommittee for the proposal and development of an
undergraduate participant pool
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences