

American Academy of Arts & Sciences Elects 9 Psychological Scientists as Fellows

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The American Academy of Arts & Sciences has elected APS Treasurer Roberta L. Klatzky, APS James McKeen Cattell Fellow J. Frank Yates, APS Fellow Mary C. “Molly” Potter, and several other psychological scientists as fellows, including them in a prestigious cadre of scholars and practitioners from academia, business, and government. These new fellows include:

Klatzky, a professor at Carnegie Mellon University in the psychology department, the Human-Computer Interaction Institute, and the Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition, is renowned for her research in cognition and perception. Using both real and virtual environments, Klatzky has examined how we think about and perceive our spatial environments. Her findings have contributed to the development of programs in image-guided surgery, telemanipulation, navigation aids for the blind, and neural rehabilitation.

Yates, a professor of psychology and marketing at the University of Michigan, researches judgment and decision-making, focusing specifically on cross-cultural variation, affective forecasting, and applications of cognitive psychology to improve judgement accuracy and decision-making.

APS Fellow Russell H. Fazio, the Harold E. Burt Professor of Psychology at The Ohio State University, studies attitude formation, attitude change, and social cognition, specifically targeting the relationship between attitudes and behavior. Fazio applies his research to the study of emotional disorders, political psychology, racial prejudice, and much more.

APS Fellow Edmund W. Gordon, professor emeritus at Yale University and Columbia University as well as director emeritus of the Institute for Urban and Minority Education at Teachers College, Columbia University, is known for his many contributions to clinical and counseling psychology.

APS Fellow Megan R. Gunnar, Distinguished McKnight University Professor and Director of the Institute of Child Development at the University of Minnesota, specializes in developmental processes, investigating how children and adolescents regulate stress and emotions.

Potter, professor emerita at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is an expert in the rapid processes involved in perceiving, comprehending, and remembering meaningful information in words, sentences, and pictures.

APS Fellow Eldar Shafir, a professor in behavioral science, public policy, psychology, and public affairs at Princeton University, researches decision-making, cognitive science, and behavioral economics. He was a member of President Barack Obama's Advisory Council on Financial Capability and is currently Vice-Chair of the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Neuroscience & Behaviour.

APS Fellow Michael Tomasello, a professor of psychology and neuroscience at Duke University, studies social cognition, social learning, cooperation, and communication from developmental, comparative, and cultural perspectives.

Robert T. Knight, a professor of psychology and neuroscience at the University of California, Berkeley, studies attention, memory, neuropsychology, neurophysiology, and cognitive neuroscience. His lab uses fMRI and behavioral techniques to study patients with frontal-lobe damage, seeking to understand mechanisms of cognitive processing.