

How Our Bodies Do - and Don't - Shape Our Minds

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Individuals' bodies and their abilities to act within their environments shape their perceptions of their surroundings, says psychological scientist **Jessica Witt**, Colorado State University. For example, hills appear steeper and distances appear farther to people who are overweight or tired. Witt discussed the psychophysics experiments she's conducted to demonstrate this action-specific account of perception during one of four presentations in the Presidential Symposium titled *Sense and Sensibility: How Our Bodies Do – and Don't – Shape Our Minds*. See the complete symposium, chaired by APS Immediate Past-President **Susan Goldin-Meadow**.

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