

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

2004 Ph.D. Psychology
 Minor: Computational Neuroscience
 University of Minnesota
 Dissertation advisors: Drs Sheng He & Paul Schrater

1998 B.S. Psychology & Business Management,
 University of Minnesota
 Thesis advisor: Dr. Chad J. Marsolek

Academic Appointments

2016-present Associate Professor
 School of Psychology
 University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia

2013-2016 Senior Lecturer
 Department of Cognitive Sciences
 Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia

2008-2013 Assistant Professor
 Department of Psychology
 University of Maryland, College Park

2004-2008 Postdoctoral Fellow
 Vision Science Lab, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA USA/
 Helmholtz Research Institute, University Utrecht, The Netherlands

Research Interests

Object recognition, Visual Attention, fMRI and MEG decoding methods.

Publications

Journal Articles

1. Wardle, S., Kriegeskorte, N., Grootswagers, T., Khaligh-Razavi, S. **Carlson, T.A.** Perceptual similarity of visual patterns predicts dynamic neural activation patterns measured with MEG. *Neuroimage* (in press).
2. Goddard, E., **Carlson, T.A.**, Dermody, N., Woolgar, A. Representational dynamics of object recognition: feedforward and feedback information flows. *Neuroimage* (in press).

3. **Carlson, T.A.**, Wardle, S.G. (2015) Sensible Decoding. *Neuroimage* Apr 15;110:217-8.
4. Wardle, S.G., & **Carlson, T.A.** (2015). Zen mountains: An illusion of perceptual transparency. *i-Perception*, 6(2), 108-110. [BBC Press coverage "The mountain illusion: What's wrong with this picture"]
5. Ritchie, J.B., Tovar, D.A., & **Carlson, T.A.** (2015). Emerging object representations in the visual system predict reaction times for categorization. *PLoS Computational Biology*, 11(6), e1004316.
6. Redcay, E., **Carlson, T.A.** (2015). Rapid neural discrimination of communicative gestures. *Social Cognitive, Affective Neuroscience*. Apr;10(4):545-51.
7. **Carlson, T.A.** (2014). Orientation Decoding in Human Visual Cortex: New Insights from an Unbiased Perspective. *The Journal of Neuroscience* 34 (24), 8373-8383.
8. **Carlson, T.A.**, Ritchie, J.B., Kriegeskorte, N, Durvasula, S., & Ma, J., (2014). Reaction Time for Object Categorization is Predicted by Representational Distance. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*. 26(1):132-42.
9. **Carlson, T.A.**, Simmons, R.A., Kriegeskorte, N., & Slevc, L.R. (2014). The emergence of semantic meaning in the ventral temporal pathway. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*. 26(1):132-42.
10. Chakravarthi, R., **Carlson, T.A.**, Chaffin, J., Turret, J., VanRullen, R. (2014). The Temporal Evolution of Coarse Location Coding of Objects: Evidence for Feedback. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*. Oct;26(10):2370-84.
11. Plow, E.B., Cattaneo, Z., **Carlson, T.A.**, Alvarez, G.A., Pascual-Leone, A., Battelli, L. (2014). The compensatory dynamic of inter-hemispheric interactions in visuospatial attention revealed using rTMS and fMRI. *Frontiers in human neuroscience*. 8.
12. **Carlson, T.A.**, Tovar, D., Alink, A., & Kriegeskorte, N (2013). Representational dynamics of object vision: the first 1000 ms. *Journal of Vision*.
13. Ritchie, J.B., **Carlson, T.A.** (2013). Dynamic touch and tool integration. *Psychological Science*. 12 (6), 1066-1068.
14. **Carlson, T.A.**, Hogendoorn, H., Kanai, R., & Turret, J. (2011). High temporal resolution decoding of object position and category. *Journal of Vision*. 11 (10), 9.
15. **Carlson, T. A.**, Hogendoorn, H., Fonteijn, H., Verstraten, F.A.J. (2011). Spatial coding and invariance in object-selective cortex. *Cortex*. 47(1), 14-22.
16. Dakin, S.C., Greenwood, J.A., **Carlson, T.A.**, & Bex, P.J. (2011). Crowding is tuned for perceived (not physical) location. *Journal of Vision*. 11 (9), 2.
17. Hogendoorn, J.H.A., **Carlson, T. A.** & Verstraten, F. A. J. (2011). Mapping the route to visual awareness. *Journal of Vision*. 11 (13), 4.
18. Naber, M., **Carlson, T.A.**, Verstraten, F.A.J., & Einhäuser M. (2011). Perceptual benefits of objecthood. *Journal of Vision*. 11 (4), 8.
19. **Carlson, T. A.**, Alvarez, G., Wu, D., & Verstraten, F. A. J. (2010) Rapid assimilation of external objects into the body schema. *Psychological Science*, 21(7), 1000-1005.
20. Hogendoorn, J.H.A., **Carlson, T. A.**, VanRullen, R., & Verstraten, F. A. J. (2010) Timing Divided Attention. *Attention, Perception, & Psychophysics*, 72, 2059-2068.
21. Richie, J. B., & **Carlson, T. A.** (2010). Mirror, mirror, on the wall, is that even my hand at all? Changes in the afterimage of one's reflection in a mirror in response to bodily movement. *Neuropsychologia*, 48, pp. 1495-1500.

22. Kanai, R., **Carlson, T. A.**, Verstraten, F. A. J., & Walsh, V. (2009). Perceived timing of new objects and feature changes. *Journal of Vision*, 9 (7), 1-13.
23. Hogendoorn, H., Kammers, M. P., **Carlson, T. A.**, Verstraten, F. A. J. (2009). Being in the dark about your hand: resolution of visuo-proprioceptive conflict by disowning visible limbs. *Neuropsychologia*, 47, 2698-2703.
24. Battelli, L., Alvarez, G., **Carlson, T.**, & Pascual-Leone, A. (2009). The role of MT and the parietal lobe in visual tracking studied with transcranial magnetic stimulation. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 21 (10), 1946-1955.
25. Hogendoorn, H., **Carlson, T. A.**, & Verstraten, F. A. (2008). Interpolation and extrapolation on the path of apparent motion. *Vision Research*, 48(7), 872-881.
26. **Carlson, T. A.**, Alvarez, G. A., & Cavanagh, P. (2007). Quadrantic deficit reveals anatomical constraints on selection. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*, 104(33), 13496-13500.
27. **Carlson, T. A.**, Rauschenberger, R., & Verstraten, F. A. (2007). No representation without awareness in the lateral occipital cortex. *Psychological Science*, 18(4), 298-302.
28. VanRullen, R., **Carlson, T. A.** & Cavanagh, P. (2007). The blinking spotlight of attention. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA* 104 (49), 19204-19209.
29. **Carlson, T. A.**, Grol, M. J., & Verstraten, F. A. (2006). Dynamics of visual recognition revealed by fMRI. *Neuroimage*, 32(2), 892-905.
30. **Carlson, T. A.**, Hogendoorn, H., & Verstraten, F. A. (2006). The speed of visual attention: What time is it? *Journal of Vision*, 6(12), 1406-1411.
31. **Carlson, T. A.**, Schrater, P., & He, S. (2006). Floating square illusion: Perceptual uncoupling of static and dynamic objects in motion. *Journal of Vision*, 6(2), 132-144.
32. Kim, M., Ducros, M., **Carlson, T. A.**, Ronen, I., He, S., Ugurbil, K., et al. (2006). Anatomical correlates of the functional organization in the human occipitotemporal cortex. *Magnetic Resonance Imaging*, 24(5), 583-590.
33. **Carlson, T. A.**, & He, S. (2004). Competing global representations fail to initiate binocular rivalry. *Neuron*, 43(6), 907-914.
34. **Carlson, T. A.**, Schrater, P., & He, S. (2003). Patterns of activity in the categorical representations of objects. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 15(5), 704-717.
35. **Carlson, T. A.**, & He, S. (2000). Visible binocular beats from invisible monocular stimuli during binocular rivalry. *Current Biology*, 10(17), 1055-1058.

Book Chapters

He, S., Carlson, T. A., & Chen, X. (2004). Parallel pathways and temporal dynamics in binocular rivalry. In D. Alais & R. Blake (Eds.), *Binocular rivalry and perceptual ambiguity*. Boston, MA: MIT Press.

Grants, Fellowships and Awards

- *Australian Research Council (ARC) Discovery Project (2016-2019) " Predicting Behaviour from Brain Representations."* Carlson, T. (\$535,000)

- *Australian Research Council (ARC) Future Fellowship* (2013-2017) "Decoding the neural representation of the objects." Carlson, T. (\$704,000)
- *Macquarie University New Staff Grant* (2013-2015) "Decoding the neural representation of the objects." Carlson, T. (\$100,000)
- *Macquarie University Strategic Infrastructure Scheme Grant* (2013) "Magnetic resonance-compatible integrated audio-visual stimulus delivery system." Seymour, K., Woolgar, A., Rich, A.N., Williams, M.A., McMahon, C., Demuth, K., Magnussen, J., Carlson, T., Curby, K., & Zopf, R. (\$40,621)
- *Macquarie University Faculty of Human Sciences Research Centre Scheme* (2014 - 2017) "Perception in Action Research Centre (PARC)" Rich, A., Finkbeiner, M., Williams, M., Carlson, T., Sowman, P., Brooks, K., Coltheart, V., Curby, K., & Stevenson, R.J. (\$30,000)
- *National Science Foundation (NSF) Center Grant* (2011-2013) "A Center for Cognitive, Social, Computational & Mathematical Neuroscience" (\$1,500,000) Wallsten, Dougherty, Gelfand, and Carlson
- *University of Maryland Dean's Research Initiative Grant* (2011) "Top down processing effects on the categorization of object representations." Carlson, T (\$50,000)
- *University of Maryland teaching facilities renovation grant* (2009) "Revitalizing Psychology Computer Teaching Labs" Carlson, T., Dougherty, M. (\$9,075)
- *National Institute of Mental Health Graduate Student Research Fellowship* (2000-2004). (\$120,000)
- *University of Minnesota Center for Cognitive Sciences Turtle Award (Best Student)* (2004) (\$1,000)
- *University of Minnesota Center for Cognitive Sciences J.J. Jenkins Award (Outstanding Service)* (2003) (\$500)
- *University of Minnesota student dissertation grant* (2003) "Action in the absence of visual awareness" (\$1,000)
- *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Graduate Student Presentation Award* (2001) " Eureka! A functional imaging study of visual problem solving." (\$9,075)
- *University of Minnesota Cognitive Neuroscience Brain Imaging Program Research Assistantship* (2000) (\$16,000)

Teaching

2015	Lecturer	Advanced Principles of Cognitive Science: Sensation and Perception (COGS 700) <i>Macquarie University</i>
2009-2013	Instructor	Speaking to the brain (PSYC488H/PSYC798P) <i>Honors College, University of Maryland</i>
2009-2013	Instructor	Sensation and Perception (PSYC 310) <i>University of Maryland</i>
2009	Instructor	Cognitive Neuroscience (NACS 642) <i>University of Maryland</i>
2008	Instructor	Sensory Processes Lab (PSYC 410)

2007	Teaching Fellow	<i>University of Maryland</i> Multivariate Statistics
2005	Instructor	<i>Harvard University</i> Neurobiology of visual attention <i>Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) Cognition Summer School</i>
2000-2003	Teaching Assistant	Sensation and Perception <i>University of Minnesota</i>
1999-2002	Teaching Assistant	Cognitive Neuropsychology <i>University of Minnesota</i>

Invited Talks

2015	<i>University of Queensland; University of Melbourne</i>
2014	<i>University of Sydney; University of Newcastle; University of New South Wales</i>
2013	<i>Dartmouth College</i>
2012	<i>Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Toulouse, France.</i>
2011	<i>Oxford Centre for Functional MRI of the Brain (fMRIB), Oxford, UK</i>
2010	<i>Medical Research Council, Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit, Cambridge, UK</i>
2009	<i>Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA; University College London, London, U.K; University of Maryland, College Park, MD</i>
2007	<i>Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Toulouse, France.</i>
2006	<i>Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.</i>
2005	<i>New England College of Optometry, Boston, MA.</i>
2004	<i>Boston University, Boston, MA; Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.</i>
2001	<i>Graduate Student Presentation Award at Cognitive Neuroscience Society Meeting, New York, USA; Advanced Telecommunications Research Institute, Kyoto, Japan.</i>

Service

2016- present	Organization for Human Brain Mapping (OHBM) Communication Committee
2013- present	Deputy Chair, Magnetoencephalography (MEG) Executive Committee, Macquarie University
2013- present	Research Committee, Department of Cognitive Sciences, Macquarie University
2009-2013	Cognitive Science Colloquium Committee, University of Maryland
2011-2013	Brain and Behavioral Science lab Facilities Committee, University of Maryland
2011	Cognitive Neuroscience Faculty Search Committee, University of Maryland
2009-2010	Neuroscience and Cognitive Science (NACS) Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Maryland

2003-2004	Student Representative, Center for Magnetic Resonance Imaging Research (CMRR) and Department of Psychology cognitive neuroscience faculty search committee, University of Minnesota
2002-2003	Student Representative, Center for Cognitive Sciences director search committee, University of Minnesota
2002-2003	Student Representative, Center for Cognitive Sciences Governing Council, University of Minnesota
2002-2003	Chair, Facilities Committee, Center for Cognitive Sciences, University of Minnesota
2002-2003	Member, Center for Cognitive Sciences Steering Committee, University of Minnesota
2002	Member, Organizing committee for Symposium on Natural Image Processing, University of Minnesota
2001-2002	Chair, Retreat Committee, Center for Cognitive Sciences, University of Minnesota