Clementine Zimnicki

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Behavioral graduate researcher studying visual communication. My research aims to discover people's expectations about the meaning of colors in data visualizations, with an ultimate goal of understanding how to make visualizations that are accessible and easy to interpret.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

Ph.D., Psychology | May 2025 M.A., Psychology | May 2022

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

B.S., Psychology | 2020

SKILLS

RESEARCH METHODS

Mixed methods A/B testing

Human factors

Electroencephalography (EEG)

EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAMMING

iavascript

HTML

isPsych

GitHub

LaTeX

MATLAB

DESIGN SKILLS

Adobe CC

Sketching

COMMUNICATION

Quantitative data visualization Scientific writing Teaching & mentoring writing Research talks

CONFERENCE TALKS

VISION SCIENCES SOCIETY | 2023

Clementine Zimnicki, Danielle A. Szafir, & Karen B. Schloss. Hue variation masks effects of lightness on interpretations of colormap data visualizations.

VISION SCIENCES SOCIETY | 2022

Clementine Zimnicki & Karen B. Schloss. Squares vs. Maps: effects of configuration on the dark-is-more bias? **PSYCHONOMIC SOCIETY | 2020**

PSTCHONOMIC SOCIETY 202

Clementine Zimnicki, Emily

Cunningham, & Diane M. Beck. Spontaneous pre-stimulus alpha activity predicts visual, but not auditory, attention.

EXPERIENCE

GRADUATE RESEARCH SCIENTIST

University of Wisconsin-Madison | August 2020 - Present

- Lead 4+ studies on cognition and data visualization
- Collect data from 1300+ participants at a time leveraging large-scale crowdsourcing (mTurk)
- Perform statistical analyses (mixed-effects models, GLM) and generate data visualizations (ggplot, Adobe Illustrator) for talks and publications
- Communicate findings through posters, writing, and talks
- Teach classes of 500+ undergraduate students covering research methods, introductory psychology, child development

HEAD OF DONOR RELATIONS

University of Wisconsin-Madison Psychology Colloquium Committee | August 2022 - Present

- Communicate directly and maintain relationships with donors
- Lead fundraising efforts by applying for and receiving \$2000+ yearly

VISXVISION WORKSHOP ORGANIZER

CONFERENCE LOCATIONS VARY | NOVEMBER 2022 - PRESENT

- Collaborate with other researchers to host conference workshops that connect vision scientists with visualization scientists, and highlight current projects in each field
- Manage logistics of event planning: manage budget, organize invited speaker talks, publicize the event, and day-of event coordination

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign | September 2018 - May 2020

- Assisted with collecting EEG data from 50+ participants
- Led an EEG study investigating visual perception and attention
- Presented at Society for Psychophysiological Research meeting (2020)

HONORS & AWARDS

STUDENT RESEARCH GRANTS COMPETITION FUNDS

University of Wisconsin-Madison | 2023

VISION SCIENCES SOCIETY TRAVEL AWARD

Vision Sciences Society | 2023

KENZI VALENTYN VISION RESEARCH GRANT

University of Wisconsin-Madison | 2021

MICHAEL COLES AWARD FOR COGNITIVE NEUROSCIENCE RESEARCH

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign | 2019

CARLE NEUROSCIENCE INSTITUTE UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign | 2019