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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Department of Psychology

Honolulu, Hawaii

Associate Professor

2020–present

Assistant Professor

2018–2020

York University, Department of Psychology

Toronto, Ontario

Associate Professor

2017–2018

Assistant Professor

2012–2017

EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara

2006–2012

PhD in Social Psychology

Dissertation: *Religion is what individuals and societies make of it: Moderators of religion's effects at the level of person, situation, and culture*¹

¹Winner of 2013 Society for Experimental Social Psychology (SESP) Dissertation Award

Claremont McKenna College

2002–2006

Claremont, California

BA in Psychology (Honors), Magna Cum Laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

I use an integrated biological and socio-cultural approach to conduct basic psychological research on multiple forms of diversity—including ethnic, religious, and biological diversity—in the areas of social cognition and social behavior. Ongoing lines of research include individual, situational, and cultural moderators of religion's effects on social behavior; gene–environment interactions and social behavior; and culture and social cognition.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

National Science Foundation (NSF) award

2021–2025

“Breaking Barriers to Participation: A Cultural Approach to Increasing Native Hawaiian Representation in Engineering” (Co-PI), \$641,379

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa College of Social Sciences (CSS) Excellence in Teaching Award, \$1000	2021
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa SEED Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Access and Success (IDEAS) Award, \$1000	2021
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa SEED Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Access and Success (IDEAS) Award, \$1000	2019
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa CSS College Travel Funds for Professional Development in Research, \$1224	2019
Sir John Templeton Foundation, via Arizona State University Psychology of Religion Early-Career Seed Grant "Social Ecology of Gods' Values Project" (Co-PI) \$14,675	2017
York University Faculty Association Teaching-Learning Development Grant, \$2,460	2016
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada Insight Grant "The Double-edged Sword of the Model Minority Stereotype: Cognitive Components, Affective Responses, and Psychological Outcomes" (Co-PI) \$169,979	2015–2020
Sir John Templeton Foundation Grant "Biological and Cognitive Approaches to Explaining Religious Altruism" (PI) \$330,842 USD; approx. \$423,514 CAD	2014–2019
SSHRC Insight Development Grant "Consequences of Genetic Essentialism: A Cultural Psychological Approach" (PI) \$74,738	2014–2017
International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP) Triandis Dissertation Award Finalist	2014
York University Faculty Association Teaching-Learning Development Grant, \$3,000	2014
SSHRC Conference Travel Grant	2014
Society of Experimental Social Psychology (SESP) Dissertation Award	2013
York University Dean's Health Research Catalyst Award	2013–2014
York University Conference Travel Fund, \$1,000	2013
York University Junior Faculty Fund, \$2,000	2013
York University Faculty of Health Minor Research Grant, \$2,830	2012
York University Dean's Health Research Catalyst Award	2012–2013

PUBLICATIONS

†Denotes student or post-doc at the time research was conducted.

*Denotes shared first authorship.

45. †Pearson, H. I., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (in press). Integrating culture into the Cognitive Science of Religion. *Religion, Brain, and Behavior*.
44. †Lo, R. F., †Pearson, H. I., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & Chen, J. M. (in press). Colorism in East and Southeast Asia. In N. Mishra & Hall (Eds.) *Handbook of Colorism: Bigotry Beyond Borders*. Routledge International.

43. †Qina'au, J., †Spencer, S., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (in press). Trauma in Mixed vs. Monoracial Emerging Adults: Implications for Mindfulness, Distress, and Wellbeing. *International Journal for the Advancement of Counselling*.
42. †Lo, R. F., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2024). Lay misperceptions of culture as “biological” and suggestions for reducing them. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, *19*, 295–311.
41. †*Pearson, H. I., †*Lo, R. F., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2023). How do culture and religion interact worldwide? A cultural match approach to understanding religiosity and well-being in the Many Analysts Religion Project. *Religion, Brain, and Behavior*, *13*, 329–336, DOI: 10.1080/2153599X.2022.2070265
40. Hoogeveen, S., Sarafoglou, A., Aczel, B., Aditya, Y., Alayan, A. J., Allen, P. J., ... Wagenmakers, E. J. (2023). A many analysts approach to the relation between religiosity and well-being. *Religion, Brain & Behavior*, *13*, 237–283. DOI: 10.1080/2153599X.2022.2070255
39. †Lo, R. F., †Padgett, J. K., Cila, J., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & Lalonde, R. N. (2022). The re-emergence of Yellow Peril: Beliefs in the Asian health hazard stereotype predict lower psychological well-being. *Asian American Journal of Psychology*, *13*, 339–350.
38. †Clobert, M., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Hwang, K.-K., & Tsai, J. L. (2022). Valuing high arousal negative states increases negative responses toward outgroups across cultures. *Emotion*, *22*, 1450–1472.
37. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & †Pearson, H. I. (2022). The interplay of culture, religion, and biology. In A. M. García & A. Ibáñez (Eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Semiosis and the Brain*. UK: Routledge.
36. †Cila, J., Lalonde, R., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & Mar, R. (2021). Zahra or Zoe, Arjun or Andrew? Bicultural baby names predicted by identity and pragmatic concerns. *Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology*, *27*, 307–319.
35. †Lo, R. F., †Ng, A. H., Cohen, A. S., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2021). Does self-construal shape automatic social attention? *PLOS One*, *16*, e0246577.
34. †West, A. L., Muise, A., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2021). The cost of being “true to yourself” for mixed selves: Frame switching leads to perceived inauthenticity and downstream social consequences for biculturals. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, *12*, 829–838.
33. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & Kim, H. S. (2020). The ego dampening influence of religion: Evidence from the behavioral expression of genetic and psychological predispositions. *Current Opinion in Psychology*, *40*, 24–28.

32. †Padgett, J. K., Lou, E., Lalonde, R. N., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2020). Too Asian? The model minority stereotype in a Canadian context. *Asian American Journal of Psychology, 11*, 223–232.
31. Purzycki, B. G., Stagnaro, M. N., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2020). Breaches of trust change the content and structure of religious appeals. *Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature and Culture, 14.1*, 71–94.
30. †Ng, A. H., Steele, J. R., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & †George, M. (2020). How robust is the own-group face recognition bias? Evidence from first- and second-generation East Asian Canadians. *PLoS ONE, 15*, e0233758.
29. †Kwon, H., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2019). Gene–culture interactions: Toward an explanatory framework. In K. Keith (Ed.) *Cambridge Elements: Psychology and Culture*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.
28. †West, A. L., Zhang, R., Yampolsky, M. A., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2018). The potential cost of cultural fit: Frame switching undermines authenticity. *Frontiers in Psychology, 9*, 2622.
27. †Lo, R., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2018). How the study of religion and culture informs genetics and vice versa. In J. Causadias (Ed.) *Handbook of Culture and Biology*. Wiley.
26. Birkett, M., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2018). Why does it feel so good to care for others, but only sometimes for myself? In L. Stevens (Ed.) *The Neuroscience of Empathy, Compassion, and Self-Compassion*. Elsevier.
25. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & Cohen, A. S. (2017). Explaining agency detection within a domain-specific, culturally attuned model. *Religion, Brain, & Behavior, 9*, 94–96.
24. Struthers, C. W., †Guilfoyle, J., Khoury, C., †van Monsjou, E., **Sasaki, J.**, Phills, C., Young, R., & Marjanovic, Z. (2017). Effects of victims' post-transgression responses and form of communication on transgressors' apologies: What victims say and how they say it matters. In K. Norlock (Ed.) *The Moral Psychology of Forgiveness*. London: Rowman & Littlefield International.
23. †Kim, H., †Nasiri, K., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2017). Cultural and genetic influences on emotion: The role of motivational processes in gene–culture interactions. In A. Church (Ed.) *Personality Across Cultures*. Santa Barbara: Praeger.
22. †West, A. L., †Zhang, R., †Yampolsky, M., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2017). More than the sum of its parts: A transformative theory of biculturalism. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology, 48*, 963–990.
21. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & Kim, H. S. (2017). Nature, nurture, and their interplay: A review of cultural neuroscience. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology, 48*, 4–22.

20. †Kim, H., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2017). Intercultural similarities and differences in personality development. In J. Specht (Ed.) *Personality Development Across the Lifespan* (pp. 419–434). Amsterdam: Elsevier.
19. *Cohen, A. S., ***Sasaki, J. Y.**, Kim, H. S., & German, T. C. (2017). Automatic mechanisms for social attention are culturally penetrable. *Cognitive Science*, *41*, 242–258.
18. LeClair, J., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Ishii, K., Shinada, M., Kim, H. S. (2016). Gene–culture interaction: Influence of culture and oxytocin receptor gene (OXTR) polymorphism on loneliness. *Culture and Brain*, *4*, 21–37.
17. †Ng, A. H., Steele, J. R., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2016). Will you remember me? Culture moderates face recognition biases. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, *64*, 21–26.
16. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, LeClair, J., †West, A., & Kim, H. S. (2016). The gene–culture interaction framework and implications for health. In J. Chiao, S.-C. Li, R. Seligman, & R. Turner (Eds.) *The Oxford Handbook of Cultural Neuroscience*. New York: Oxford University Press.
15. †Ng, A. H., Steele, J. R., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Sakamoto, Y., & Williams, A. (2015). Culture moderates the relationship between interdependence and face recognition. *Frontiers in Psychology*, *6*, 1620.
14. Cohen, A. S., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & German, T. C. (2015). Specialized mechanisms for theory of mind: Are mental representations special because they are mental or because they are representations? *Cognition*, *136*, 49–63.
13. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Mojaverian, T., & Kim, H. S. (2015). Religion priming and an oxytocin receptor gene (OXTR) polymorphism interact to affect self-control in a social context. *Development and Psychopathology*, *27*, 97–109.
12. Ishii, K., Kim, H. S., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Shinada, M., & Kusumi, I. (2014). Culture modulates sensitivity to the disappearance of facial expressions associated with serotonin transporter polymorphism (5-HTTLPR). *Culture and Brain*, *2*, 72–88.
11. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Ko, D., & Kim, H. S. (2014). Culture and self-worth: Implications for social comparison processes and coping with threats to self-worth. In Krizan, Z. & Gibbons, F. X. (Eds.) *Communal Functions of Social Comparison*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
10. Kim, H. S., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2014). Cultural neuroscience: Biology of the mind in cultural contexts. *Annual Review of Psychology*, *65*, 24.1–24.28.
9. Kogan, A., **Sasaki, J.**, Zou, C., Kim, H. S., & Cheng, C. (2013). Uncertainty avoidance moderates the link between faith and subjective well-being around the world. *Journal of Positive Psychology*, *8*, 242–248.

8. **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2013). Promise and challenges surrounding culture–gene coevolution and gene–culture interactions. *Psychological Inquiry*, 24, 64–70.
7. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Kim, H. S., Mojaverian, T., Kelley, L. D., Park, I., & Janušonis, S. (2013). Religion priming differentially increases prosocial behavior among variants of dopamine D4 receptor (DRD4) gene. *Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience*, 8, 209–215.
6. Kim, H. S., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** (2012). Emotion regulation: The interplay of culture and genes. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, 6, 865–877.
5. Kim, H. S., Sherman, D. K., Mojaverian, T., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Park, J., Suh, E. M., et al. (2011). Gene-culture interaction: Oxytocin receptor polymorphism (OXTR) and emotion regulation. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, 2, 665–672.
4. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Kim, H. S., & Xu, J. (2011). Religion and well-being: The moderating role of culture and the oxytocin receptor (OXTR) gene. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, 42, 1394–1405.
3. **Sasaki, J. Y.**, & Kim, H. S. (2011). At the intersection of culture and religion: A cultural analysis of religion’s implications for secondary control and social affiliation. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 101, 401–414.
2. Kim, H. S., Sherman, D. K., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Xu, J., Chu, T. Q., Ryu, C., Suh, E. M., Graham, K., & Taylor, S. E. (2010). Culture, distress, and oxytocin receptor polymorphism (OXTR) interact to influence emotional support seeking. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 107, 15717–15721.
1. Kim, H. S., Sherman, D. K., Taylor, S. E., **Sasaki, J. Y.**, Chu, T. Q., Ryu, C., et al. (2010). Culture, the serotonin receptor polymorphism (5-HTT1A) and locus of attention. *Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience*, 5, 212–218.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW OR IN PREPARATION

- †Cila, J., Lalonde, R., Schuller, R., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** Cultural and religious identification as predictors of well-being in religious minorities. Manuscript under review.
- †Gorelik, D., Mar, R., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** Does power distance stifle laughter?: The effect of power distance on disparaging humor. Manuscript under review.
- †Kim, H., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** Cultural differences in genetic essentialism. Manuscript in preparation.
- †Lo, R. F., & **Sasaki, J. Y.** Are cultural differences in attention explained by capacity or motivation? A test of perceptual load. Manuscript in preparation.
- Sasaki, J. Y.**, & †Kim, H. Traces of happiness and anger: Effects of religious salience on emotional expressivity in Muslims and Catholics. Manuscript in preparation.

Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. Is God a conservative? The moderating role of power in the religion–politics link. Manuscript in preparation.

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa 2018–present

Graduate courses:

- Social Psychology
- Culture and Social Cognition
- Multiculturalism and Diversity
- Preparing for the Academic Job Market
- Research in Social Psychology

Undergraduate courses:

- Social Psychology
- Advanced Topics in Social Psychology: Culture and Social Cognition
- Advanced Topics in Experimental Psychology: Culture and Cognition
- Directed Research

York University 2012–2017

Graduate courses:

- Cultural Psychology Graduate course
- Proseminar Graduate course (co-taught annually with area faculty)

Undergraduate courses:

- Advanced Seminar in Social Psychology
- Cultural Psychology

University of California, Santa Barbara 2009–2010

Undergraduate courses:

- Psychology of Self
- Social Psychology

MENTOR

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Graduate students:

- Elizabeth Weitz 2021–present
- Hannah Pearson 2020–present
- Heewon Kwon 2018–2023

Post-bac independent studies student:

- Jonathan Ahuna 2018–2020

York University*Post-doctoral fellows:*

Jorida Cila	2018–2019
Hyunji Kim	2015–2019

Graduate students:

Heewon Kwon	2017–2018
Ronda Lo	2015–2023
Alexandria West	2013–2020
Andy Ng (research practicum)	2012–2013

Undergraduate honors thesis students:

Zeynep Acar	2016–2017
Khalidha Nasiri	2015–2016
Khadija Dairywala	2015–2016
Aida Meras	2014–2015
Kaitlyn Chappelle	2013–2014

Undergraduate independent study students:

Dana Gorelik	2016–2017
Alexandria West	2012–2013

University of California, Santa Barbara*Undergraduate honors thesis students:*

Elana Kobernick	2009–2010
Cecilia Ma	2008–2009

Summer Research Mentorship Program's accelerated high school students:

Emma Weitzner, BS (Duke University)	2010
Rosalinda Cortez, BS (Stanford University)	2009

INVITED COLLOQUIA AND LECTURES

Kapi'olani Community College Psychology Club Seminar	Oct 2022
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering Seminar Series	Oct 2020
University of Western Ontario Psychology Department Colloquium	Jan 2017
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Psychology Department Colloquium	Jan 2017
City University of New York, Hunter College Psychology Department Colloquium	Nov 2016
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Carolina Consortium for Human Development at the Center for Developmental Science Colloquium	Sept 2016
University of Western Ontario Biology Department Colloquium	Oct 2015
University of Toronto Social Psychology Brownbag	Feb 2015
University of Toronto Interdisciplinary Symposium of the Mind	Oct 2014
York University Cognitive Science Colloquium	Sept 2014

University of Waterloo Social Psychology Brownbag	Nov 2013
University of Western Ontario Social Psychology Brownbag	Mar 2013
York University Social–Personality Psychology Brownbag	Nov 2012
York University Social–Personality Psychology Brownbag	Oct 2012
York University Psychology Department Colloquium	Jan 2012
INSEAD Business School Micro Group Brownbag	Aug 2011
University of Auckland Psychology Department Colloquium	June 2011

INVITED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Sasaki, J. Y. The Cultural and Biological Shaping of Religious Coping. Research presented at the *Hospital for Sick Children's Conquering the Hurt, Pain Connections: Body, Mind, and Spirit Conference*. November 2016. Toronto, Ontario.
- Sasaki, J. Y. A Bio-Cultural Approach to Studying Religion. Research presented at the *Early-Career Psychology of Religion Workshop*. October 2016. San Diego, California.
- Sasaki, J. Y. The Cultural and Biological Shaping of Religion's Effects. Research presented at the *International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology Congress*. July 2016. Nagoya, Japan.
- Sasaki, J. Y. Is God a Conservative? The Moderating Role of Power in the Link Between Religion and Politics. Research presented at the *Public Perceptions of Science and Religion Conference*. May 2016. San Diego, California.
- Sasaki, J. Y. Using Gene–Environment Interactions to Study Religion. Research presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Religion and Spirituality Pre-Conference*. January 2016. San Diego, California.
- Sasaki, J. Y. A Cultural and Biological Approach to Studying Religion. Research presented at the *Science and Religion: Exploring the Spectrum Workshop*. May 2015. Toronto, Ontario.
- Sasaki, J. Y. Culture Acquisition and Cultural Transmission. Discussant for symposium at the *International Cultural Neuroscience Consortium Conference*. May 2014. Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Sasaki, J. Y. The Cultural and Biological Shaping of Religion's Effects. Research presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Culture Pre-Conference*. February 2014. Austin, Texas.
- Sasaki, J. Y. Religion Is What Individuals and Societies Make of It: Moderators of Religion's Effects at the Level of Person, Situation, and Culture. Research presented at the *Society of Experimental Social Psychology Conference* in acceptance of the SESP Dissertation Award. September 3013. Berkeley, California.
- Sasaki, J. Y. A Social and Biological Approach to Studying Religion. Research presented at the *Canadian Psychological Association Social and Personality Psychology Pre-Conference*. June 2013. Quebec City, Quebec.

Sasaki, J. Y. The Cultural and Biological Shaping of Religion's Effects. Research presented at the *International Cultural Neuroscience Consortium Conference*. May 2013. Evanston, Illinois.

Sasaki, J. Y. Is God a Conservative? The Moderating Role of Power in the Religion–Politics Link. Research presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Religion and Spirituality Pre-Conference*. January 2012. San Diego, California.

Sasaki, J. Y. Cultural Differences in Daily Effects of Religious Coping. Research presented at the *Kokoro Research Center's Culture and Emotion Workshop*. March 2008. Kyoto, Japan.

CHAired CONFERENCE SYMPOSIA

†Kim, H., & Sasaki, J. Y. Advances in Self-enhancement: How to Measure It, When It Occurs, and What It Predicts. Symposium co-chaired with Dr. Hyunji Kim at the *Society of Experimental Social Psychology Conference*. September 2016. Santa Monica, CA.

Sasaki, J. Y., Cohen, A. S., German, T. C., & Kim, H. S. Automatic Mechanisms for Social Attention Are Culturally Penetrable. Research presented at the *Society of Experimental Social Psychology Conference* in co-chaired symposium with Dr. Heejung S. Kim on "Culture and Sensitivity to Social Contexts: From Basic Social Cognition to Complex Social Experiences." September 2013. Berkeley, California.

Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. Religion Encourages Prosocial Behavior Differently Depending on Genes. Research presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference* in co-chaired symposium with Dr. Heejung Kim on "Pro-/Antisocial Behavior Is Swayed by Beliefs in God and Expression of Genes: A New Take on a Classic Topic." January 2012. San Diego, California.

Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. At the Intersection of Culture and Religion: A Cultural Analysis of Religion's Implications for Secondary Control and Social Affiliation. Research presented at the *Society of Experimental Social Psychology Conference* in co-chaired symposium with Dr. Heejung Kim on "Implications of Religion for the Self: From Emotion and Cognition to Behavior." October 2010. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. At the Intersection of Culture and Religion: A Cultural Analysis of Religion's Implications for Control and Social Affiliation. Research presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference* in co-chaired symposium with Dr. Heejung Kim on "The Origins, Predictors, and Moderators of Religious Beliefs and Involvement." January 2010. Las Vegas, Nevada.

CONFERENCE SYMPOSIA

Sasaki, J. Y. The Cultural and Biological Shaping of Religion's Effects on Emotion and Prosocial Behavior. Talk presented at the *Association for Psychological Science*. May 2023. Washington, DC.

- †Lo, R. F., Padgett, J. K., Cila, J., Sasaki, J. Y., & Lalonde, R. N. The Asian COVID-19 Experience Across Generations, Ethnic Groups, Contexts, and Nations. Talk presented at the *Canadian Psychological Association Conference*. June 2022. Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- †Lo, R. F., Padgett, J. K., Cila, J., Sasaki, J. Y., & Lalonde, R. N. The re-emergence of Yellow Peril: “Exotic Threat” beliefs predict psychological outcomes of East and Southeast Asian Americans and Canadians during COVID-19. Talk presented at the *Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference*. July 2021. Virtual conference.
- †Lo, R. F., Ng, A. H., Cohen, A. S., & Sasaki, J. Y. Does self-construal shape automatic social attention? Talk presented at the *Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science Conference*. June 2021. Virtual conference.
- †West, A. L., Muise, A., & Sasaki, J. Y. Bicultural individuals’ frame switching undermines their perceived authenticity, general impressions and dating prospects with White Americans. Research presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Self and Identity Pre-Conference*. February 2021. Virtual event.
- †West, A. L., Muise, A., & Sasaki, J. Y. Frame switching undermines bicultural individuals’ authenticity in the eyes of White Americans with downstream social and romantic consequences. Research presented at the *Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists Conference*. October 2020. Virtual event.
- †West, A. L., & Sasaki, J. Y. An obstacle to intercultural understanding: North American majority members react negatively to biculturals’ frame switching. Research presented at the *11th International Academy for Intercultural Research Biennial Conference*. July 2019. Shanghai, P. R. China.
- †West, A. L., & Sasaki, J. Y. Biculturals’ Frame Switching has Consequences in North American Contexts. Research presented at the *International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology Congress*. July 2018. Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
- †West, A., & Sasaki, J. Y. The social consequences of switching between cultures. Research presented at the *19th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology*. March 2018. Atlanta, Georgia.
- †West, A. L., & Sasaki, J. Y. Bicultural experiences and causal reasoning: Frame switching increases situational attributions. Research presented at the *78th Annual Canadian Psychological Association Convention*. June 2017. Toronto, Ontario.
- Sasaki, J. Y. Using Gene–Environment Interactions to Study Religion. Research presented at the *American Psychological Association Convention*. August 2015. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

- †West, A. L., & Sasaki, J. Context Sensitivity in Biculturals: Consequences for Cultural Identities and Well-being. Research presented at the *Canadian Psychological Association Convention*. June 2015. Ottawa, Ontario.
- †West, A. L., & Sasaki, J. Context Sensitivity in East Asian Canadian biculturals: Implications for Cultural Identification and Well-being. Research presented at the *York Center for Asian Research Third International Graduate Student Conference*. May 2015. Toronto, Ontario.
- Sasaki, J. Y. How Prosocial Behavior is Swayed by Religion and Genes. Research presented at the *International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology Congress*. July 2014. Reims, France.
- Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. Is God a Conservative? The Moderating Role of Power in the Religion–Politics Link. Research presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. January 2013. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. At the Intersection of Culture and Religion: A Cultural Analysis of Religion’s Implications for Control and Social Affiliation. Research presented at the *8th East West Center International Graduate Student Conference on the Asia-Pacific Region*. February 2010. Honolulu, Hawaii.
- Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. Cultural Differences in the Effects of Religion on Control and Social Affiliation. Research presented at the *2nd World Congress of Cultural Psychiatry*. September 2009. Norcia, Italy.
- Sasaki, J. Y., & Kim, H. S. Cultural Differences in Effects of Religious Coping on Social Affiliation and Control. Research presented at the *American Psychological Association Convention*. August 2009. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- Tan, S., & Sasaki, J. Y. How Maternal Employment and Family Income Influence Children's Social Competence. Research presented at the *86th Annual Western Psychological Association Conference*. April 2006. Palm Springs, California.

CONFERENCE POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- †Pearson, H. I., & Sasaki, J. Y. Lay Perceptions of Animal Cognition and Culture. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2023. Atlanta, GA.
- †Kwon, H., & Sasaki, J. Y. The Role of Actor Characteristics in the Perception of Cultural Appropriation. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2023. Atlanta, GA.
- †Lo, R., Cohen, A., & Sasaki, J. How does culture shape gaze-cueing across multiple gazes? An investigation across Euro-Americans, Middle Easterners, South Asians, and East Asians. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2023. Atlanta, GA.

- †Kwon, H., & Sasaki, J. Y. Age of Move and Pattern Perception. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2022. Virtual/hybrid event.
- †Huynh, A., †Kwon, H., & Sasaki, J. Perceptions of Cultural Appropriation: The Role of Social Status and Social Media Influence. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2022. Virtual/hybrid event.
- †Lo, R., Cohen, A., & Sasaki, J. How Do Culture and Race Shape Social Attention? Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2022. Virtual/hybrid event.
- †Pearson, H. & Sasaki, J. Y. (2022). Religiosity and COVID-19. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Convention*. San Francisco, CA.
- †Kwon, H., & Sasaki, J. Y. Lay Perceptions of Cultural Appropriation. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2021. Virtual event.
- †Lo, R., Padgett, J., Cila, J., Sasaki, J., & Lalonde, R. The Re-emergence of Yellow Peril: “Exotic Threat” Beliefs Predict Psychological Outcomes of East Asian Americans and Canadians during COVID-19. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2021. Virtual event.
- †Kwon, H., & Sasaki, J. Y. Does Residential Mobility Influence Pattern Perception? Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2020. New Orleans, LA.
- †Lo, R. F., Ng, A. H., Cohen, A. S., & Sasaki, J. Y. Do self-construals shape social attention mechanisms? Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2020. New Orleans, LA.
- †West, A. L., Muise, A., & Sasaki, J. Y. Don’t Pull the Ol’ Switcheroo on Me: Frame Switching Undermines the Majority of Americans’ Impressions of and Willingness to Date Biculturals. Poster presented at the *Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference*. February 2020. New Orleans, LA.
- †Cila, J., Lalonde, R., Sasaki, J. Y., & Mar, R. Identity and Pragmatic Motivations Predict Choices and Preferences of Baby Names Among Bicultural Individuals. Poster presented at the *Association for Psychological Science Convention*. May 2019. Washington, DC.
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AFFILIATIONS

American Psychological Association	2009–present
Society for Experimental Social Psychology	2013–present
Society for Personality and Social Psychology	2005–present

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Biological Psychology
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Emotion
Frontiers in Human Neuroscience
Frontiers in Psychology, Cultural Psychology section
Frontiers in Psychology, Human-Media Interaction section
International Journal of Psychology
International Journal for the Psychology of Religion
Japanese Psychological Research
Journal of Applied Social Psychology
Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology
Journal of Family Psychology
Journal of Experimental Social Psychology
Journal of Personality and Social Psychology
Journal of Pragmatics
Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion
Mind, Brain, and Education
Nature Human Behaviour
Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin
Personality and Social Psychology Review
PLOS ONE
Psychologia
Psychological Science
Psychopharmacology
Religion, Brain, and Behavior
Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience
Social Neuroscience
Social Psychological and Personality Science

Book publishers:

Oxford University Press
W. W. Norton: textbook, test bank, and instructor resources review and production

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Dissertation Award Selection Committee	2019
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Ethics Focus Board	Spring 2019– Spring 2020

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Social Concentration Head (interim)	2019
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Graduate Student Merit Award Committee	2018, 2019

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York University*Faculty and departmental service:*

Departmental Executive Committee	2016
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Departmental Human Participation and Research Committee	2012–2017
Faculty of Graduate Studies Thesis and Dissertation Prize Committee	2012–2013

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