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## David Clewett, Ph.D. Neuroscience

### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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- 2020-            **Assistant Professor of Psychology**  
 University of California, Los Angeles
- 2016-20        **Postdoctoral Fellow** (P.I. Lila Davachi)  
 New York University, New York

### EDUCATION

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- 2010-16        **Graduate Student** (P.I. Mara Mather)  
 University of Southern California, Los Angeles
- 2005-09        **B.S., Biopsychology with minor in English, magna cum laude**  
 University of California, Santa Barbara

### AWARDS AND HONORS

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- 2021            Rising Star Award, Association for Psychological Science (APS)
- 2018-19        Top Downloaded Paper in *Hippocampus* (Clewett et al., 2019)
- 2018            Society for Neuroscience Trainee Professional Development Award (TDPA)
- 2018            Memory Disorders Research Society (MDRS) Cermak-Corkin Award
- 2018-20        Fellow, Postdoctoral F32 NRSA award from National Institute of Mental Health  
 (Impact Score: 10; Percentile: 1%)
- 2018            Nominee, Charles H. Revson Senior Fellowship in Biomedical Science, Columbia University
- 2016-17        Fellow, National Institute on Mental Health T32 Grant, NYU
- 2015-16        Endowed Fellowship, USC
- 2015            Neuroscience Graduate Student of the Year, USC
- 2014-15        Russell Endowed Fellowship, USC
- 2014            Fellow, Kavli Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience, UC Santa Barbara
- 2014            Fellow, Social Neuroscience: Integrating Society, Mind and Brain, USC
- 2013            Fellow, Social Neuroscience: Integrating Society, Mind and Brain, USC
- 2013            1<sup>st</sup> Place Cog. Neuro. Poster: 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Neuroscience Graduate Symposium, USC
- 2012            Fellow, Social Neuroscience: Integrating Society, Mind, and Brain, USC
- 2012            Best Overall Poster (of ~90 students): 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Neuroscience Graduate Symposium, USC
- 2009            Philip Steven Rethis Memorial Award given to a graduating senior in psychology who  
 demonstrates character, determination, and scholarship, UC Santa Barbara
- 2009            Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Grant, UC Santa Barbara

### PUBLICATIONS

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- 1) **Clewett, D.**, Gasser, C., & Davachi, L. (2020). Pupil-linked arousal signals track the temporal organization of events in memory. *Nature Communications*, 11, 4007.
- 2) Thorp, J., **Clewett, D.**, & Riegel, M. (2020). Two routes to incidental memory under arousal: Dopamine and norepinephrine. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 40(9), 1790-1792.

- 3) Mather, M., Huang, R., **Clewett, D.**, Nielsen, S., Velasco, R., Tu, K., Han, S., & Kennedy, B. (2020) Isometric exercise facilitates attention to salient events in women via the noradrenergic system. *Neuroimage*, 210, 116560.
- 4) \***Clewett, D.**, & \*Murty, V. (2019). Echoes of emotions past: How neuromodulators determine what we recollect. *ENeuro*. \*equal contributions
- 5) **Clewett, D.**, Dubrow, S., & Davachi, L. (2019). Transcending time in the brain: How event memories are constructed from experience. *Hippocampus*, 29(3), 162-183.
- 6) Lee, T.H., Greening, S., Ueno, T., **Clewett, D.**, Ponzio, A., Sakaki, M., & Mather, M. (2018). Arousal increases neural gain via the locus coeruleus-norepinephrine system in younger adults but not in older adults. *Nature Human Behavior*, 2, 356-366.
- 7) **Clewett, D.**, Huang, R., Velasco, R., Lee, T.H., & Mather, M. (2018). Locus coeruleus activity strengthens prioritized memories under arousal. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 38(6), 1558-1574.
- 8) Durbin, K., **Clewett, D.**, Huang, R., & Mather, M. (2018). Age differences in selective memory of goal-relevant stimuli under threat. *Emotion*, 18(6), 906-911.
- 9) **Clewett, D.**, & Davachi, L. (2017). The ebb and flow of experience determines the temporal structure of memory. *Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences*, 17, 186-193.
- 10) **Clewett, D.**, Sakaki, M., Huang, R., Nielsen, S., & Mather, M. (2017). Arousal amplifies biased competition between high and low priority memories more in women than in men: the role of elevated noradrenergic activity. *Psychoneuroendocrinology*, 80, 80-91.
- 11) Mather, M., Yoo, H.-J., **Clewett, D.**, Lee, T.-H., Greening, S., Ponzio, A., Min, J., & Thayer, J.F. (2017). Higher locus coeruleus MRI contrast is associated with lower parasympathetic influence over heart rate variability. *Neuroimage*, 150, 329-335.
- 12) **Clewett, D.**, Sakaki, M., Nielsen, S., Petzinger, G., & Mather, M. (2017). Noradrenergic mechanisms of arousal's bidirectional effects on episodic memory. *Neurobiology of Learning and Memory*, 137, 1-14.
- 13) Mather, M., **Clewett, D.**, Sakaki, M., & Harley, C. W. (2016). GANEing traction: The broad applicability of NE hotspots to diverse cognitive and arousal phenomena. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 39.
- 14) **Clewett, D.**, Lee, T.H., Greening, S., Ponzio, A., Margalit, E., & Mather, M. (2016). Neuromelanin marks the spot: Identifying a locus coeruleus biomarker of cognitive reserve in healthy aging. *Neurobiology of Aging*, 37, 117-126.
- 15) Nielsen, S., Barber, S., Chai, A., **Clewett, D.**, & Mather, M. (2015). Sympathetic arousal increases a negative memory bias in young women with low sex hormone levels. *Psychoneuroendocrinology*, 62, 96-106.
- 16) Mather, M., **Clewett, D.**, Sakaki, M., & Harley, C. (2015). Norepinephrine ignites local hot spots of neuronal excitation: How arousal amplifies selectivity in perception and memory. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 1-100.
- 17) Aminoff, E. M., Freeman, S., **Clewett, D.**, Tipper, C., Frithsen, A., Johnson, A., Grafton, S. T., & Miller, M. B. (2015). Maintaining a cautious state of mind during a recognition test: a large-scale fMRI study. *Neuropsychologia*, 67, 132-47.
- 18) **Clewett, D. V.**, & Mather, M. (2014). Not all that glittered is gold: neural mechanisms that determine when reward will enhance or impair memory. *Frontiers in Neuroscience*, 8:194.

- 19) Freeman, S. M., **Clewett, D. V.**, Bennett, C. M., Kiehl, K. A., Gazzaniga, M. S., & Miller, M. B. (2014). The posteromedial region of the default mode network shows attenuated task-induced deactivation in psychopathic prisoners. *Neuropsychology*, 29(3), 493-500.
- 20) **Clewett, D.**, Schoeke, A., & Mather, M. (2014). Locus coeruleus neuromodulation of memories encoded during negative or unexpected action outcomes. *Neurobiology of learning and memory*, 111, 65-70.
- 21) **Clewett, D.**, Bachman, S., & Mather, M. (2014). Age-related reduced prefrontal-amygdala structural connectivity is associated with lower trait anxiety. *Neuropsychology*, 28(4): 631-42.
- 22) **Clewett, D.\***, Luo, S.\*, Hsu, E., Ainslie, G., Mather, M., & Monterosso, J. (2014). Increased functional coupling between the left fronto-parietal network and anterior insula predicts steeper delay discounting in smokers. *Human Brain Mapping*, 35(8): 3774-87. \*co-first authors
- 23) **Clewett, D.**, Schoeke, A., & Mather, M. (2013). Amygdala functional connectivity is reduced after the cold pressor task. *Cognitive, Affective, & Behavioral Neuroscience*, 3(3): 501-18.
- 24) Hermundstad, A. M., Bassett, D. S., Brown, K. S., Aminoff, E. M., **Clewett, D.**, Freeman, S., Frithsen, A., Johnson, A., Tipper, C. M., Miller, M. B., Grafton, S. T., & Carlson, J. M. (2013). Structural foundations of resting-state and task-based functional connectivity in the human brain. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 110(15): 6169-74.
- 25) Aminoff, E. M., **Clewett, D.**, Freeman, S., Tipper, C., Frithsen, A., Johnson, A., Grafton, S. T., & Miller, M. B. (2011). Individual differences in shifting decision criterion: A recognition memory study. *Memory and Cognition*, 40(7), 1016-30.

### Manuscripts under revision

- 1) **Clewett, D.**, Yi, D., Bachman, S., Dunsmoor, J., Phelps, L., & Davachi, L. (under revision). Survival of the salient: Aversive learning rescues otherwise forgettable memories via neural reactivation and post-encoding hippocampal connectivity. *Neurobiology of Learning and Memory* (preprint available: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.07.07.192252>)

### Manuscripts under review

- 1) **Clewett, D.**, & Davachi, L. (under review). Emotional arousal ripples across time to bind subsequent episodes in memory (preprint available: <https://psyarxiv.com/ne5vs>)

### Manuscripts in preparation

- 1) ⊕McClay, M., & **Clewett, D.** (in prep). Bidirectional and selective effects of emotional stimuli on temporal order memory. ⊕graduate student
- 2) ⊕Huang, R., & **Clewett, D.** (in prep). The pupil as a window into locus coeruleus modulation of cognition. ⊕graduate student
- 3) Cowan, E., Chanales, A., **Clewett, D.**, & Davachi, L. (in prep). Event boundaries benefit memory for relevant information.
- 4) ⊕Huang, R., Durbin, K., **Clewett, D.**, Dahl, M. & Mather, M. (in prep). Arousal compensates for age-related deficits in early visual selectivity under high attentional load. ⊕graduate student

## CONFERENCE POSTERS

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- ⊕McClay, M. & Clewett, D. (2021, August). Bidirectional and selective effects of emotional stimuli on temporal order memory. *Context and Episodic Memory Symposium*, Philadelphia, PA. ⊕graduate student
- ⊕Huang, R., Durbin, K., Clewett, D., Dahl, M. & Mather, M. (2021, March). Arousal compensates for age-related deficits in early visual selectivity under high attentional load. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, online. ⊕graduate student
- Clewett, D., Gasser, C., & Davachi, L. (2019, March). Arousal modulates the temporal organization of events in episodic memory. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, San Francisco, CA.
- Clewett, D., Yi, D., Bachman, S., Dunsmoor, J., Phelps, E., & Davachi, L. (2018, April). Brain mechanisms by which emotional learning selectively and retroactively enhances memory for related information. *International Conference of Learning and Memory*, Huntington Beach, CA.
- Clewett, D., Yi, D., Dunsmoor, J., Phelps, E., & Davachi, L. (2018, March). Brain mechanisms by which emotional learning selectively and retroactively enhances memory for related information. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, Boston, MA.
- Clewett, D., Huang, R., Velasco, R., Lee, T. H., & Mather, M. (2016, April). Noradrenergic mechanisms of arousal-biased competition in memory. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, Chicago, IL.
- Clewett, D.\*, Sakaki, M.\*, Nielsen, S., Petzinger, G., & Mather, M. (2015, October). Noradrenergic mechanisms of arousal-biased competition in memory. *Society for Neuroscience*, Chicago, IL.
- Clewett, D., Sakaki, M., Joo, H. J., & Mather, M. (2014, April). Altered amygdala functional connectivity rather than structural decline predicts age differences in socioemotional wellbeing. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, Boston, MA.
- Clewett, D., Haldar, J., Damasio, H. & Mather, M. (2012, April). Subregions of the thalamus connected with temporal and parietal cortices show greater age-related variation than other subregions. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, Chicago, IL.
- Clewett, D., Haldar, J., Damasio, H. & Mather, M. (2012, January). Subregions of the thalamus connected with frontal and temporal cortex show greater age-related degeneration than other subregions. *Annual USC Neuroscience Graduate Symposium*, Los Angeles, CA.
- Aminoff, E., Clewett, D., Freeman, S., Grafton, S. & Miller, M.B. (2011, November). Contextualizing words. *Society for Neuroscience*, Washington D.C.
- Hsu, E., Clewett, D., Luo, S., Ainslie, G., & Monterosso, J. (2011, September). Neural Correlates of “Relative Farsightedness” during intertemporal choice. *Society for Neuroeconomics*, Chicago, IL.
- Clewett, D., Schoeke, A., Abrams, Z. & Mather, M. (2011, April). Acute stress enhances activity in pain modulatory regions 15-25 minutes later. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, San Francisco, CA.
- Clewett, D., Schoeke, A., Abrams, Z. & Mather, M. (2011, January). Acute stress enhances activity in the default mode network 15-25 minutes later. *Annual USC Neuroscience Graduate Symposium*, Los Angeles, CA.
- Aminoff, E., Freeman, S., Clewett, D., Tipper, C., Frithsen, A., Johnson, A., Grafton, S., & Miller, M. (2011, April). Neural correlates of criterion shifting in recognition memory. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, San Francisco, CA.
- Clewett, Schoeke, Abrams, & Mather (2011, January). Stress enhances activity in the default mode network 15-25 minutes later. *Annual USC Neuroscience Graduate Symposium*, Los Angeles, CA.

- Aminoff, E., Freeman, S., Clewett, D., Tipper, C., Frithsen, A., Johnson, A., Grafton, S., & Miller, M. (2010, October). Behavioral and neural factors that account for individual differences of criterion shifting during recognition memory. *Society for Neuroscience*, San Diego, CA.
- Aminoff, E., Tipper, C., Frithsen, A., Johnson, A., Freeman, S., Clewett, D., Grafton, S., & Miller, M. (2010, June). Individual variability in whole brain maps of task-related activity: what are the important factors? *Organization of Human Brain Mapping*, Barcelona, Spain.
- Aminoff, E., Tipper, C., Frithsen, A., Johnson, A., Freeman, S., Clewett, D., Grafton, S., & Miller, M. (2010, March). Individual differences in adaptive decision-making: a cognitive neuroscience analysis of 95 officers and non-officers. *ICB Army-Industry Collaborative Conf.*, Santa Barbara, CA

## SELECTED TALKS

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- Clewett, D. (2021, To be presented in December). Catecholamines facilitate temporal pattern separation in episodic memory. *Columbia University Psychology Seminar Series*, online.
- Clewett, D. (2021, June). Arousal mechanisms shape the selectivity and structure of memory. *Joint Seminar in Neuroscience series at the UCLA Brain Research Institute (BRI)*, online.
- Clewett, D. (2021, June). Catecholamines facilitate temporal pattern separation in episodic memory. To be presented at the annual meeting of the *Organization of Human Brain Mapping (OHBM)*, online.
- Clewett, D. (2020, November). Survival of the salient: How aversive learning rescues otherwise forgettable memories in the brain. *Neuroimaging Affinity Group*, UCLA, CA.
- Clewett, D. (2020, September). The ebb and flow of emotion shapes memory of time and events. *CogFog Meeting*, UCLA, CA.
- Clewett, D. (2020, June). Emotional arousal shapes memory of time and events. *Context and Affective Memory Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA
- Clewett, D. (2019, June). Emotion's carryover effects on novel associative learning. *Spring Hippocampal Research Conference*, Taormina, Sicily.
- Clewett, D. (2019, May). Arousal modulates the temporal organization of events in episodic memory. *Context and Episodic Memory Society*, Philadelphia, PA.
- Clewett, D. (2019, March). Arousal modulates the temporal organization of events in episodic memory. Data Blitz at *Cognitive Neuroscience Society*, San Francisco, CA.
- Clewett, D. (2018, November). Brain mechanisms by which emotional learning selectively and retroactively enhances memory for related information. *Society for Neuroscience*, San Diego, CA.
- Clewett, D. (2018, October). Brain mechanisms by which emotional learning selectively and retroactively enhances memory for related information. *Memory Disorders Research Society Meeting*, Toronto.
- Clewett, D. (2018, May). Brain mechanisms by which emotional learning selectively and retroactively enhances memory for related information. *Manhattan Area Memory Meeting*, NY.
- Clewett, D. (2014, January). Survival of the salient: noradrenergic mechanisms of arousal-biased competition. *9<sup>th</sup> Annual USC Neuroscience Graduate Program Symposium*, Los Angeles, CA.
- Clewett, D. (2013, August). Norepinephrine as an emotional marker for loss aversion and memory. *USC Social Neuroscience Conference*, Catalina, CA.

Clewett, D. (2012, August). Stress-induced changes in a brain salience network predicts effective decision making in younger and older adults. *USC Social Neuroscience Conference, Catalina, CA.*

Clewett, D. (2011, October). Age-related thalamic degeneration revealed by diffusion tensor imaging. *USC Neuroscience Neurolunch Seminar, Los Angeles, CA.*

Clewett, D. (2011, March). Imaging the effects of acute stress on subsequent resting-state network activity. *USC Neuroscience Neurolunch Seminar, Los Angeles, CA.*

## **TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP**

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### **Graduate Students**

2020- **Mason McClay**, UCLA Psychology Graduate Program

\*\*National Science Foundation GRFP (2021)

\*\*Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program (2021)

2020- **Ringo Huang**, UCLA Psychology Graduate Program

\*\*Cognitive Neuroscience Society Graduate Student Award (2021)

\*\*National Science Foundation GRFP: Honorable Mention (2021)

\*\*National Science Foundation GRFP: Honorable Mention (2020)

\*\*Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program (2021)

2021- **Cody Cushing**, UCLA Psychology Graduate Program (secondary; primary PI: Hakwan Lau)

### **Dissertation Committee Member**

2021 **Christina Sandman** (PI: Michelle Craske)

2021 **Mouslim Cherkaoui** (PIs: Hakwan Lau and Jesse Rissman)

2021 **Cody Cushing** (PI: Hakwan Lau and Michelle Craske)

2021 **Joshua Cain** (PI: Martin Monti)

### **Psychology 251 Project Co-Mentor**

2020-21 **Mary Vitello** (Cognitive Program)

### **Psychology Paper C Reader**

2021 **Catherine Walsh** (Cognitive Program)

### **Honors Thesis Second Reader (198B)**

2021 **Chenyang Lin** (PI: Ladan Shams)

### **Research Assistants**

2021- **Maryan Miremadi**, UCLA

2021- **Camille Laksman**, UCLA

- Psych 196B (Spring 2021)

- UCLA Psychology Honors Program

2021- **Ziyuan Chen**, UCLA

- UCLA Psychology Honors Program
- 2019-20     **Zala Reppman**, Columbia University
- Disciplinary Honors Program, Radboud University
- 2019        **Elizabeth Stettenbauer**, NYU
- 2018-19    **Elizabeth Xu**, NYU
- Co-author on successful DURF grant
  - Honors thesis co-mentor
- 2018        **Joseph Bell**, Columbia University
- 2016-17    **Alexander Ren**, NYU
- Co-author on successful DURF grant
- 2013-16    **Ringo Huang**, USC
- Co-author on two successful SURF grants
  - Co-author on successful SOAR grant
  - Co-author on two successful Provost Fellowships
  - Co-author on successful Rose Hills Foundation grant
- 2013-14    **Eshed Margalit**, USC
- Recipient of the 2014 Brian Phillip Rakusin Neuroscience Scholarship Award, given to the best junior-year student in the neuroscience major
  - NEUR-490 (neuroscience major) honors project
  - Co-author on two successful Provost Fellowships, USC
- 2013        **Jolie Cooperman**, USC
- BISC-490 (biology major) honors project
  - Co-author on successful Provost Fellowship, USC
- 2013        **Paul Choi**, California State University: Northridge
- 2013        **Joyce Kim**, USC
- 2010-12    **Shelby Bachman**, USC
- Senior Honors Thesis mentor

### UCLA Courses

- 2020-        **Organizer**, Cognitive Forum, UCLA
- 2021        **Lecturer**, Cognitive Psychology (PSYCH 120A), Department of Psychology, UCLA.
- +Median Instructor Rating: 9 out of 9
  - +Median Course Rating: 9 out of 9
- 2020        **Lecturer**, Human Memory (PSYCH 124C), Department of Psychology, UCLA.
- +Median Instructor Rating: 9 out of 9
  - +Median Course Rating: 9 out of 9





## AD HOC REVIEWER

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Nature Human Behavior  
 Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences  
 Psychological Science  
 Journal of Neuroscience  
 Psychoneuroendocrinology  
 Human Brain Mapping  
 Neuroimage  
 Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience  
 Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences  
 Neuropsychologia  
 Memory & Cognition  
 Psychonomic Bulletin & Review  
 Behaviour Research and Therapy  
 Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience  
 Cognition  
 Frontiers in Human Neuroscience  
 Mind, Brain, and Education  
 Journal of the Royal Society Interface  
 Brain and Cognition  
 Brain Imaging and Behavior  
 PLOS One

## EDITORIAL POSITIONS

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2021- **Abstract Reviewer Board**, *Society for Affective Science Conference*  
 2020- **Review Editor**, *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience: Brain Imaging and Stimulation*  
 2019 **Abstract Reviewer**, *Conference on Cognitive Computational Neuroscience*

## GRANT REVIEWS

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2020 **Reviewer**, *Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)*

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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Memory Disorders Research Society  
 Brain and Research Institute, UCLA  
 Integrative Center for Learning and Memory, UCLA  
 Association for Psychological Science  
 American Psychological Association  
 Cognitive Neuroscience Society  
 Society for Neuroscience  
 Social and Affective Neuroscience Society

## MEDIA

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- 1) UCLA Lab Website: <https://clewettlab.psych.ucla.edu/>
- 2) *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* article press release: <https://dornsife.usc.edu/news/stories/2233/why-we-remember-or-forget-details-of-alarming-moments/>
- 3) *Journal of Neuroscience* (2018) article press release: <https://pressroom.usc.edu/tiny-brain-region-sorts-out-stressful-memories/>
- 4) *Npj Science of Learning* blog: <https://npjscilearncommunity.nature.com/posts/august-2020-research-round-up>

- 5) Social Neuroscience Fellowship work featured on USC Dornsife website and newsletter:  
<http://dornsife.usc.edu/news/stories/1490/brainwaves-by-the-sea/>
- 6) Lecture and slides from USC Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuroimaging Methods Workshop:  
<https://ngp.usc.edu/journals/cognitive-neuroscience-neuroimaging-methods/>