

# Laura L. Johnsen

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## Curriculum Vitae

### Current Affiliation:

MA/PhD. Student in Anthropology, 2012-present

Binghamton University, SUNY

Advisor: Joshua Reno

### Education:

M. A. Anthropology, 2014

Binghamton University, SUNY

Advisor: Chris Reiber

B.A. Psychology, 2012

State University of New York at New Paltz, NY

Advisor: Glenn Geher

B.A. Theatre Arts, 2012

Concentration: Technical Design

State University of New York at New Paltz, NY

Advisor: Andrea Varga

### Research Interests:

- Human Sexuality
- Virtual Reality
- Intimacy
- Pornography
- Human Evolution
- Darwinian Literary Analysis

## Fellowships

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John Money Fellowship, \$3,000	2018
	Kinsey Institute at Indiana University Bloomington, Indiana

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## Teaching Experience:

### Teaching Awards

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Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching Award	2018
	Binghamton University, SUNY

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### Instructor of Record

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<i>Darwinian Medicine (ANTH) 248</i>	Spring 2018
	Binghamton University, SUNY
<i>Medical Anthropology for Pre-Health Students (ANTH 240)</i>	Summer 2015-2018
	Winter 2016-2018
	Binghamton University, SUNY
<i>The Body (ANTH 465/ WGSS 484C)</i>	Spring 2017
	Binghamton University, SUNY
<i>Sex and Evolution (ANTH 246)</i>	Fall 2015
	Binghamton University, SUNY

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### Teaching Assistant

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<i>Introduction to Biological Anthropology (ANTH 168)</i>	Spring 2013 and 2014
Instructor: Dr. Andrew Merriwether	Binghamton University, SUNY
<i>Language Culture and Communication (ANTH 114)</i>	Fall 2013
Instructor: Dr. Douglas Glick	Binghamton University, SUNY
<i>Introduction to Anthropology (ANTH 111)</i>	Fall 2012
Instructor: Dr. Siobhan Hart	Binghamton University, SUNY

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## Publications:

### Journal Articles

**Johnsen, L.**, Kruger, D.J., Geher, G., Newmark, R.L., Garcia, J., Wiegand, A. (2017).

Childhood Injuries as a Function of Sex, Life History, and Neighborhood Safety: An Ecological Perspective. *Human Ethology Bulletin*, 32(3): 85-108.

**Johnsen, L. L.**, Guitar, A. E., Geher, G. (2015). Divorce Patterns and the Male-to-Female Mortality Ratio: Is Midlife Crisis the Death of Men? *EvoS Journal: The Journal of the Evolutionary Studies Consortium*, 6(2): 33-41.

Carmen, R. A., Geher, G., Glass, D.J., Guitar, A.E., Grandis, T., **Johnsen, L.**, Philip, M., Newmark, R. L., Trouton, G.R., and Trauber, B. R. (2013). Evolution Integrated Across All Islands of the Human Behavioral Archipelago: All Psychology as Evolutionary

Psychology. *EvoS Journal: The Journal of the Evolutionary Studies Consortium* 5(1): 108-126.

Garcia, J. R., Geher, G., Crosier, B., Saad, G., Gambacorta, D., **Johnsen, L.**, & Prancikitas, E. (2011). The interdisciplinarity of evolutionary approaches to human behavior: A key to survival in the ivory archipelago. *Futures*, 43(8), 749-761.  
doi:10.1016/j.futures.2011.05.018

### ***Books***

**Johnsen, L.** & Reno, J. (under contract). *Pornography: The manufacture of intimacy*. Anthropology of Stuff Series. NY: Routledge Press.

### ***Book Chapters***

**Johnsen, L.** & Geher, G. (2017) Fashion as a Medium of Intrasexual Competition. In Oxford Handbook of Women and Competition. M. L. Fisher (Ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Women and Competition*. NY: Oxford University Press.

Newmark, R., and **Johnsen, L.** (2017) Intrasexual Competition Among Beauty Pageant Contestants. M. L. Fisher (Ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Women and Competition*. NY: Oxford University Press.

### ***Book Reviews***

**Johnsen, L.** (2014). The 'animal' within: A review of the Rational Animal. [Review of the book: *The rational animal: How evolution made us smarter than we think*, by D. Kenrick and V. Griskevicius.] *Human Ethology Bulletin*, (4) 31-33.

### **Presentations:**

#### ***Conference Awards***

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<b>Best Student Talk</b>	2018
Feminist Evolutionary Perspectives Society	North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference SUNY New Paltz

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#### ***Conference Papers***

**Johnsen, L.** & Burch, R. (2018). Good or bad, they're bombshells: creating supernormal female stimuli in comics and film. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Society Conference at SUNY New Paltz, New Paltz NY.

Burch, R. & **Johnsen, L.** (2018). Captain Dorito: Creating supernormal male stimuli in comics and film. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Society Conference at SUNY New Paltz, New Paltz NY.

**Johnsen, L.** (2017). Hooking In then Hooking Up: Explorations in Virtual Reality Sex and Its Implications for the Future of Human Sexuality. Presented at the Conference on the Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences at Binghamton University, Vestal NY.

- Johnsen, L.** (2016). When Plug Meets Socket: Making Love in Digital Landscapes. Presented at the University of Rhode Island Graduate Student Conference at the University of Rhode Island, Kingston RI.
- Johnsen, L.** & Newmark, R. (2015). Catching the crown: An evolutionary analysis of female competitiveness in beauty pageants. Presented at the Evolutionary Psychology Independent Conference at SUNY New Paltz (video starts at: 2:11:40)
- Johnsen, L.**, Fisher, M. L., Newmark, R. L., Geher, G. (2014). Wicked and Wild: Men and Women's Perception of Personality Traits in Harlequin Blaze Romance Novels. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at SUNY New Paltz.
- Johnsen, L.**, Kruger, D. Geher, G. (2011) Childhood Injuries as a Result of Intra-sexual Competition. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at Binghamton University, Vestal, NY.
- Geher, G., **Johnsen, L.**, Kurtz, A., Williams, S. (2011) Mating Psychology based Health Education. Presented at Darwin Day at SUNY New Paltz
- Johnsen, L.** (2010) The Impact of Marriage and Divorce on the Male to Female Mortality Ratio. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at SUNY New Paltz and International Society of Human Ethology Conference at the University of Wisconsin

### *Conference Posters*

- Johnsen, L.**(2016). Making Wired Love: Evolutionary Implications of Virtual Sex. Presented at the Conference on the Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences at St, Mary's University, Halifax, Canada.
- Newmark, R. & **Johnsen, L.** (Presenter) (2015). Catching the crown: An evolutionary analysis of female competitiveness in beauty pageants. Presented at the Conference on the Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences at Suffolk University in Boston, MA.
- Guitar, A., Carmen, R., & **Johnsen, L.** (2015). M.O.M.S. and P.O.M.S.: A new terminology for sexual strategies among women. Presented at the Conference on the Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences at Suffolk University in Boston, MA.
- Johnsen, L.** (2014) Lady in Red: The Role of Women's Clothing in Intrasexual Competition. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at SUNY New Paltz.
- Johnsen, L.**, Fisher, M. L., Newmark, R. L., Geher, G. (2013). Back Off My [Wo]Man: An Analysis of Personality Traits in Harlequin Romance Novels. Presented at the International Society of Human Ethology at the University of Michigan.
- Johnsen, L.**, Varga, A., Geher, G. (2012): Evolved to Cabaret: Exploring Human Behavioral Evolution through Costume Design. Presented at Human Evolution and Behavior Society conference at University of New Mexico.
- Johnsen, L.**, Fisher, M., Geher, G. (2012): Light my fire: Mating Strategies and Preferences in Blaze Romance Novels. Presented at North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at Plymouth State University

- Newmark, R.L., Geher, G., Philip, M.M., & **Johnsen, L.** (2012). Perceptions of Romantic Partners. EvoS Summit, New Paltz, NY.
- Newmark, R.L., Geher, G., Philip, M.M., & **Johnsen, L.** (2012). Perceptions of Romantic Partners. Conference of the NorthEastern Evolutionary Psychology Society, Plymouth, NH.
- Johnsen, L.**, Kruger, D. Geher, G. (2011) Childhood Neighborhood Safety as a Predictor of Childhood Injury, Life History Strategy, and Sexuality. Presented at the Human Evolution and Behavior Society conference in Montpellier, France
- Johnsen L.**, Fisher, M. Williams, M., Geher, G (2011) Women’s Sexuality and Mate Preferences as Revealed by “Blaze” Romances. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at Binghamton University
- Johnsen, L.**, Kruger, D. Geher, G. (2010) Childhood Injuries as a Result of Intra-sexual Competition. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at SUNY New Paltz and at the International Society of Human Ethology Conference at the University of Wisconsin

***Invited Speaking Events***

- Johnsen, L.** (2017). From Gutenberg to Good-Vibrations. Presented at the American Women’s Medical Association Meeting. Binghamton University, NY.

***Course Guest Lectures***

- Johnsen, L.** (2017). Sex and Gender. Presented in Introduction to Anthropology (ANTH-111) and Introduction to Anthropological Thought (ANTH-501), Instructor for both courses: Josh Reno. Binghamton University, NY.
- Johnsen, L.** (2016, 2017). Orgasms and Evolution Parts 1&2. Presented in Sex and Evolution (ANTH 246), and Darwinian Medicine (ANTH 248). Instructor for both courses: Amanda Guitar.
- Johnsen, L.**, Varga, A., Geher, G. (2012): Evolved to Cabaret: Exploring Human Behavioral Evolution through Costume Design. Presented at the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Conference at Plymouth State University and SUNY New Paltz Evolutionary Studies Lecture Series ([video](#)).

**Conference Organization**

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<b>Co-Host/Co-Organizer</b>	June 15 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Conference on the Evolutionary Behavioral Sciences for the North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Society	Binghamton University, SUNY
Co-Host/Co-Organizer: Amanda E. Guitar	

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**Administrative Experience**

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<b>Graduate Assistant</b>	Spring 2018
Human Rights Institute	Binghamton University, SUNY

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<b>Graduate Assistant</b> Biomedical Anthropology Program	2014-2015 Binghamton University, SUNY
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**Leadership Positions**

<b>Business Agent</b> Graduate Student Employees Union Communication Workers of America-1104	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Served as a resource for graduate student employees concerning the GSEU contract and policies</li> <li>• Managed graduate student employee workplace issues</li> <li>• Negotiated the 2016-2019 GSEU contract with New York State</li> </ul>	2015-2017 Binghamton, New York
<b>Steering Committee</b> Feminist Evolutionary Perspectives Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organize FEPS Meetings at NEEPS</li> <li>• Record and report meeting minutes</li> </ul>	2014-present Binghamton University, SUNY
<b>Student Representative</b> North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organized student-keynote networking luncheon</li> <li>• Represented student interests on NEEPS e-board</li> </ul>	2013-2015 Binghamton University, SUNY
<b>Undergraduate Liaison</b> Anthropology Graduate Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinated with Undergraduate Anthropology Organization to organize Graduate Student Presentations for UAO members</li> <li>• Brought UAO concerns to AGO meetings</li> </ul>	2014-2015 Binghamton University, SUNY
<b>Steering Committee</b> Anthropology Graduate Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organized and Lead AGO meetings</li> </ul>	2013-2014 Binghamton University, SUNY

**Professional Affiliations**

North Eastern Evolutionary Psychology Society  
 Feminist Evolutionary Perspectives Society  
 American Anthropological Association  
 Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality