
Curriculum Vitae

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- September 2025 – present: **Evelyn M. Davies Professor in Addiction and Recovery**
Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences
Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
- September 2025 – present: **Associate Professor**
Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences
Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
- September 2019 – 2025: **Assistant Professor**
Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences
Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

EDUCATION

- 2017-2019 Rutgers University** (New Brunswick, NJ, USA)
Postdoctoral Fellowship
Center for Gambling Studies
Mentor: Dr. Lia Nower
- 2013-2017 McGill University** (Montreal, QC, CANADA)
Ph.D., *Educational Psychology, Human Development*
Dissertation Title: *Problematic Gaming and the Role of Needs Frustration: An Application of the Self-Determination Theory*
Supervisor: Dr. Nancy L. Heath
- 2011-2013 Edgewood College** (Madison, WI, USA)
M.A., *Adult Learning*
- 2007-2011 Edgewood College** (Madison, WI, USA)
B.S., *Psychology*

RESEARCH

GRANTS AND AWARDS

As of June 2025, I have submitted 11 extramural grants (6 funded) and 7 intramural grants (3 funded; 1 under review). Except for two intramural grants, this work has all been conducted since starting at Texas Tech University (since 2019). Total combined funding across all grants since appointment in 2019 is \$662,433 (or \$270,936 based on effort).

EXTRAMURAL GRANTS

Funded

Total Funding: \$662,433
Total Funding by Effort: \$270,936

- 2025-2026 **Massachusetts Gaming Commission - Community Research Services**
Contract Renewed: *Gambling on Addiction Recovery: Community Perspectives on the Impact of Legalized Gambling in Massachusetts*
Awarded: \$99,990
Role: Principal Investigator
- 2024-2025 **Massachusetts Gaming Commission - Community Research Services**
Gambling on Addiction Recovery: Community Perspectives on the Impact of Legalized Gambling in Massachusetts
Awarded: \$99,337
Role: Principal Investigator
- 2023-2026 **International Center for Responsible Gaming - 2023 Center Excellence Grant**
Gambling and Emerging Adults: Understanding Risk Pathways
Awarded: \$391,497
Role: Consultant (Facilitating an online data collection as part of the grant)
(PI: Dr. Lia Nower, Rutgers University, School of Social Work)
- 2022-2024 **Oklahoma Association for Problem Gambling and Gaming and Kansas City Port Authority Problem Gambling Fund Advisory Committee - Prevalence of Problem Gambling in Oklahoma and Missouri**
Assessing the Prevalence of Gambling and Problem Gambling in Oklahoma and Missouri
Awarded: \$35,767
Role: Principal Investigator
- 2022-2024 **International Center for Responsible Gaming - 2022 Seed Research Grant**
Exploring Pathways to Gambling and Gambling Related Harms among Simulated Sport Video Gamer Players: A Multi-Wave Study
Awarded: \$34,494
Role: Principal Investigator

2019	Society for Personality and Social Psychology - 2019 Small Research Grant <i>Does Impulsivity Explain Crypto Trading Behaviors? A Two-Wave Prospective Study</i> Awarded: \$1,438 Role: Principal Investigator
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Unfunded Research Grant Applications (Five unfunded grants since 2019)

2022	International Center for Responsible Gaming - 2022 Emerging Adult Large Research Grant <i>Video Gaming-Related Gambling (VGRG) among Emerging Adults: Examining the Immediate and Long-term Consequences of VGRG</i> Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$171,927 Role: Principal Investigator (Co-I: Dr. Kristy Soloski, Texas Tech University, CFAS)
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2022 **International Center for Responsible Gaming - 2022 Large Research Grant**
Do Motivations Increase Players' Use of and Adherence to Safe Gambling Practices? An Application of Self-Determination Theory
 Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$172,355
 Role: Principal Investigator
 (Co-I: Dr. Antover Tuliao, Texas Tech University, CFAS)

2022 **Financial Regulatory Authority - 2022 Research Grant**
Do Motivations Increase Players' Use of and Adherence to Safe Gambling Practices? An Application of Self-Determination Theory
 Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$148,019
 Role: Co-Investigator
 (PI: Dr. Michael Guillemette, Texas Tech University, PFP)

2020 **Spencer Foundation - 2020 Small Grant on Education**
Effects of Interactive Technology Use for Entertainment on School Performance and Engagement: A Comparative Study between American and Chinese Children
 Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$49,300
 Role: Consultant
 (PI: Dr. Wen Li Anthony, Rutgers University, School of Social Work)

2019	International Center for Responsible Gaming - 2019 Small Grants for Research on Lotteries <i>Lottery Revenues in Texas: Exploring the Resources available to Lottery Players in High Revenue Communities</i> Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$29,988 Role: Principal Investigator
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INTRAMURAL GRANTS

Submitted Research Grant Applications (One currently under review)

Funded (Four funded grants)

Total Funding: \$19,250 + \$5,000 CAD
Total Funding by Effort: \$11,250

- 2025-2028 **Texas Tech University – Humanities Center**
But Why Didn't You Leave?: Media, Masculinity, and Intimate Partner Violence
 Awarded: \$7,500
 Role: Co-Investigator
 (PI: Dr. Jessica Smith, Texas Tech University, Department of English)
- 2025 **Texas Tech University – 2025 General Funding**
Critical Incidence and Outcomes Amongst Law Enforcement Officers
 Awarded: \$7,500
 Role: Principal Investigator
- 2022-2023 **Texas Tech University - 2019 Scholarship Catalyst Program**
Exploring Differences in the Prefrontal Cortex among Passionate Video Game, Poker, and Daily Fantasy Sports Players: A Pilot Study
 Awarded: \$3,750
 Role: Principal Investigator
- 2017-2020 **Rutgers University - 2017 Global Rutgers International Funding**
What Facilitates Video Gaming Disorder? An Exploration of Chinese University Students
 Awarded: \$8,000
 Role: Co-Investigator
 (PI: Dr. Wen Li Anthony, Rutgers University, School of Social Work)
- 2016-2017 **McGill University - 2016 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Development Grant**
Passionate Gaming and Gaming Disorder: An Application of Self-Determination Theory
 Awarded: \$5,000 (CAD)
 Role: Principal Investigator

Unfunded Research Grant Applications (Two unfunded grants since 2019)

- 2025 **Texas Tech University – Texas University Funding**
Building a Research Coalition to Address Gaming Expansion within Texas and Across the Nation
 Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$3,125,113
 Role: Principal Investigator
- 2024 **Texas Tech University – 2025 Quality Enhancement Program**
Raiders THRIVE: Tracking Health and Resilience through Innovation, Values, and Education
 Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$1,014,471
 Role: Principal Investigator
 (Co-PI: Dr. Melissa Munn-Chernoff)
- 2017 **Rutgers University - 2017 Global Rutgers International Funding**
What Facilitates Video Gaming Disorder? An Exploration of Chinese University Students
 Amount Requested (Direct & Indirect): \$52,400
 Role: Consultant
 (PI: Dr. Wen Li Anthony, Rutgers University, School of Social Work)

OTHER AWARDS

2025	Nominee – Kathryn Burleson Faculty Service Award Nominated by Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences No Cash Prize
2022	Nominee - Hemphill Wells New Professor Excellence in Teaching Award Nominated by Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences No Cash Prize
2022	Texas Tech University - Open Access Publishing Award \$1,000
2019	20th Annual Conference on Gambling and Addiction – Outstanding Poster Award No Cash Prize
2013-2015	McGill University - “Pass with Distinction” for Comprehensive Examination No Cash Prize
2013-2015	McGill University - Graduate Excellence Fellowship \$29,444 (CAD)

PUBLICATIONS

As of June 2025, my overall publication metrics on Google Scholar include the following:

- 1,874 citations across 51 publications
- ***h-index* of 19**, indicating that I have at least 19 publications with at least 19 citations each
- ***i10 index* of 25**, indicating that I have 25 publications with at least 10 citations each
- According to internal department journal rankings:
 - **39 publications** are in *highly* (4; $n = 22$) or *very highly* ($n = 16$) ranked journals
 - **7 publications** are in *Premier Journals*

Authorship Notes:

† Mentored ADRS students; ^ Mentored non-ADRS graduate student

Impact Factor = Scopus CiteScore (as of March 2025)

Rating = Departmental ranking of journal (1 = *low*; 5 = *very high*; P = Premier Journal)

Citation = From Google Scholar (as of June 2025)

Peer-Reviewed Articles (Accepted, Published and Online First) Total = 51

Metrics	Num.	Year/Status
		<i>In Press</i>
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 5.6 Citation: 0	51	Botor, N. J. B., Tuliao, A. P., Mills, D. J. , & Brown, C. C. (2025). The role of alcohol use severity in the link between attitude and microaggression perpetration toward sexually- and gender-diverse individuals. <i>Journal of Homosexuality</i> , 1–22. https://doi.org/10.1080/00918369.2025.2511008

Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 6.1 Citation: 0	50	Richardson, L., Marvin, C., Mitchell, S. M., Petrovic, J., Victor, S. E., & Mills, D. J. (2025). Hazardous Drinking Amplifies the Association Between Emotion-Based Impulsivity and Negative Thoughts Related to Suicide Ideation Among Adults. <i>Archives of Suicide Research</i> . Advance online publication. https://doi.org/10.1080/13811118.2025.2513020
Rating: 3 Impact Factor: 5.1 Citation: 0	49	Marvin, C., LeDuc, M., Mitchell, S., & Mills, D. (2025). The indirect association between alcohol use and suicide ideation through perceived burdensomeness and thwarted belonging in a high-risk USA sample. <i>Crisis: The Journal of Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention</i> . Advance online publication. https://doi.org/10.1027/0227-5910/a001013
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 5.4 Citation: 0	48	Boye, C. M., Webb, J. R., Mills, D. J. , & Comiskey, G. (<i>in press</i>). Examining the impact of forgiveness on suicidality among college student problematic drinkers: The mediating role of depression, hopelessness, and psychache. <i>Journal of American College Health</i> . https://doi.org/10.1080/07448481.2025.2475303
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 17.1 Citation: 0	47	Gotlieb, M., McLaughlin, B., Mills, D. J. , & Kim, J. (<i>in press</i>). Characterizing Political News Consumers and Their Civic Potential: Comparing Engaged and Problematic Political News Consumers. <i>Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media</i> . https://doi.org/10.1080/08838151.2024.2438623
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 17.1 Citation: 0	46	McLaughlin, B., Gotlieb, M., Mills, D. J. , Serra, M., & Cloudy, J. (<i>in press</i>). Living in a (mediated) political world: Mindfulness, problematic news consumption, and political hostility. <i>Communication Research</i> . https://doi.org/10.1080/10410236.2024.2434955
		2025
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 4.9 Citation: 0	45	Gotlieb, M. R., McLaughlin, B., Mills, D. J. , & Kim, J. (2025). Characterizing political news consumers and their civic potential: Comparing engaged and problematic political news consumers. <i>Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media</i> , 69(1–2), 24–43. https://doi.org/10.1080/08838151.2024.2282292
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 4.8 Citation: 0	44	†Lewis, L. E., Mills, D. J. , Bergman, B. G., Kimball, T. G., & Gerber, W. (2025). Examining the dualistic model of passion in addiction recovery. <i>Frontiers in Public Health</i> , 13. https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2025.1519430
		2024
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 7.4 Citation: 0	43	Mettler, J., Mills, D. J. , & Heath, N. L. (2024). The role of mindfulness and flow in predicting problematic video game use. <i>Journal of Happiness Studies</i> , 25(1), 109–125. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10902-024-00813-z
Rating: 5 (P) Impact Factor: 5.6 Citation: 0	42	†Lee, U., & Mills, D. J. (2024). Assessing the link between general causality orientations and problem gambling, and the mediational role of nonattachment, greed, and anhedonia. <i>Journal of Gambling Studies</i> ,

		40(3), 1349–1365. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10899-024-10290-x .
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 6.4 Citation: 2	41	Mills, D. J. (2024). On the Potential Benefits of Blockchain Technology in Gambling: A Perspective on Harm Reduction. <i>Current Addiction Reports</i> , 11(3), 425–436. https://doi.org/10.1007/s40429-024-00561-3
Rating: 5 (P) Impact Factor: 4.5 Citation: 0	40	^Petrovic, J., Mills, D. J. , & Heath, N. L. (2024). A self-determination theory perspective on the relationship between emotion regulation styles, mindfulness facets, and well-being in adults with self-injury. <i>Journal of Clinical Psychology</i> , 80(9), 2029–2044. https://doi.org/10.1002/jclp.23708
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 9.9 Citation: 1	39	Chouvalova, A., Navlekar, A. S., Mills, D. J. , Adams, M., Daye, S., De Anda, F., & Limeri, L. B. (2024). Undergraduates' reactions to errors mediates the association between growth mindset and study strategies. <i>International Journal of STEM Education</i> , 11(1), 26. https://doi.org/10.1186/s40594-024-00485-4
		2023
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 5.6 Citation: 1	38	Tuliao, A. P., Tuliao, M. D., †Lewis, L. E., Mullet, N. D., North-Olague, J., Mills, D. J. , Kimball, T., & Shumway, S. (2023). Perceptions of addiction medications within collegiate recovery communities. <i>Journal of Addiction Medicine</i> , 17(6), 732. https://doi.org/10.1097/ADM.0000000000001224
Rating: 3 Impact Factor: 3.6 Citation: 3	37	†Lee, U., †Lewis, L., & Mills, D. J. (2023). Association between gambling and financial trading: A systemic review. [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]. <i>F1000Research</i> , 12:111 https://doi.org/10.12688/f1000research.129754.1
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 4.4 Citation: 1	36	Anthony, W. L., Mills, D. J. , ^Stanmyre, J. F., & Nower, L. (2023). Facets of mindfulness among video game players: A latent profile analysis. <i>Psychology of Addictive Behaviors</i> , 37(7), 894–905. https://doi.org/10.1037/adb0000904
Rating: 3 Impact Factor: 1.6 Citation: 0	35	Nichols, Z., †Lee, U., Mills, D. J. , & Comiskey, G. E., (2023). Problem drinking, perceived burden, depression, and suicide ideation: A conceptual model. <i>Alcoholism Treatment Quarterly</i> , 41(1), 15–30. https://doi.org/10.1080/07347324.2022.2149373
Rating: 3 Impact Factor: 1.7 Citation: 1	34	Mills, D. J. , †Lee, U., Li Anthony, W., & Nower, L. (2023). Implications of the increasing convergence of video gaming and gambling: A narrative review. <i>The Canadian Journal of Addiction</i> , 14(3), 33–42. https://doi.org/10.1097/CXA.0000000000000182
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 5.4 Citation: 0	33	^Petrovic, J., Mills, D. J. , & Mitchell, S. M. (2023). Integrating the Interpersonal Theory of Suicide and the Dualistic Model of Passion among Adults at Risk for Suicide. <i>Motivation and Emotion</i> , 47, 193–207. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11031-022-09990-x

- Rating: 5
Impact Factor: 5.7
Citation: 7
- 32 Li Anthony, W., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2023). Evaluation of the psychometric properties of DSM-5 internet gaming disorder measures: A COSMIN systematic review and meta-analysis. *Clinical Psychology: Science and Practice*, 30(2), 170–185. <https://doi.org/10.1037/cps0000123>
- Rating: 5
Impact Factor: 8.2
Citation: 25
- 31 McLaughlin, B., Gotlieb, M. R., & **Mills, D. J.** (2023). Caught in a dangerous world: Problematic news consumption and its relationship to mental and physical ill-being. *Health Communication*, 38(12), 2687–2697. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10410236.2022.2106086>
- Rating: 3
Impact Factor: 1.9
Citation: 7
- 30 ^Milman, D., & **Mills, D. J.** (2023). The relationship between parasocial friendship quality with non-playable video game characters, gaming motivations, and obsessive vs harmonious passion. *Telematics and Informatics Reports*, 10, 100057 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.teler.2023.100057>
- 2022
- Rating: 4
Impact Factor: 6.2
Citation: 3
- 29 **Mills, D. J.**, ^Petrovic, J., Mettler, J., Hamza, C. A., & Heath, N. L. (2022). The good, the bad, and the mixed: Experiences during COVID-19 among an online sample of adults. *PLoS ONE*, 17(6), e0269382. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0269382>
- Rating: 5 (P)
Impact Factor: 6.1
Citation: 14
- 28 ^Stanmyre, J. F., **Mills, D. J.**, Anthony, W. L., & Nower, L. (2022). Mindfulness profiles among gamblers: Exploring differences in gambling behaviors, motivations, cognitions, and mental health. *Mindfulness*, 13(2), 339–350. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12671-021-01791-6>
- Rating: 4
Impact Factor: 6.1
Citation: 7
- 27 Argento, A., Simundic, A., Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Heath, N. L. (2022). Evaluating the effectiveness of a brief mindfulness activity in university students with non-suicidal self-injury engagement. *Archives of Suicide Research*, 26(2), 871–885. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13811118.2020.1841052>
- 2021
- Rating: 5 (P)
Impact Factor: 12.3
Citation: 25
- 26 Marchica, L., Richard, J., **Mills, D.**, Ivoska, W., & Derevensky, J. (2021). Between two worlds: Exploring esports betting in relation to problem gambling, gaming, and mental health problems. *Journal of Behavioral Addictions*, 10(3), 447–455. <https://doi.org/10.1556/2006.2021.00045>
- Rating: 4
Impact Factor: 5.2
Citation: 10
- 25 Biskin, R., Paris, J., Zerkowitz, P., **Mills, D. J.**, Laporte, L., & Heath, N. L. (2021). Non-suicidal self-injury in early adolescence as a predictor of borderline personality disorder features in early adulthood. *Journal of Personality Disorders*, 35(6), 764–775. https://doi.org/10.1521/pedi_2020_34_500

Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 5.4 Citation: 41	24	Mills, D. J., Li Anthony, W., & Nower, L. (2021). General motivations, basic psychological needs, and problem gambling: Applying the framework of Self-Determination Theory. <i>Addiction Research & Theory</i> , 29(2), 175–182. https://doi.org/10.1080/16066359.2020.1787389 2020
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 5.0 Citation: 12	23	Li, W., Mills, D., & Nower, L. (2020). Validation of the problematic social casino gaming scale. <i>International Gambling Studies</i> , 20(3), 436–451. https://doi.org/10.1080/14459795.2020.1777577
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 5.0 Citation: 10	22	Mills, D. J., Marchica, L., Keough, M. T., & Derevensky, J. L. (2020). Exploring differences in substance use among emerging adults at-risk for problem gambling, and/or problem video gaming. <i>International Gambling Studies</i> , 20(3), 539–555. https://doi.org/10.1080/14459795.2020.1752768
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 9.6 Citation: 19	21	Marchica, L. A., Mills, D. J., Keough, M. T., & Derevensky, J. L. (2020). Exploring differences among video gamers with and without depression: Contrasting emotion regulation and mindfulness. <i>Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking</i> , 23(2), 119–125. https://doi.org/10.1089/cyber.2019.0451
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 19.1 Citation: 192	20	Mills, D. J. & Allen, J. J. (2020). Self-determination theory, Internet Gaming Disorder, and the mediating role of self-control. <i>Computers in Human Behavior</i> , 105. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2019.106209
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 15.9 Citation: 29	19	Mettler, J., Mills, D. J., & Heath, N. L. (2020). Problematic gaming and subjective well-being: How does mindfulness play a role? <i>International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction</i> , 18(3), 720–736. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11469-018-9978-5 2019
Rating: 3 Impact Factor: 1.7 Citation: 59	18	Marchica, L. A., Mills, D. J., Derevensky, J. L., & Montreuil, T. C. (2019). The role of emotion regulation in video gaming and gambling disorder: A systematic review. <i>Canadian Journal of Addiction</i> , 10(4), 19–29. https://doi.org/10.1097/CXA.0000000000000070
Rating: 5 (P) Impact Factor: 10.9 Citation: 29	17	Marchica, L. A., Mills, D. J., Keough, M. T., Montreuil, T. C., & Derevensky, J. L. (2019). Emotion regulation in emerging adult gamblers and its mediating role with depressive symptomology. <i>Journal of Affective Disorders</i> , 258(1), 74-82. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jad.2019.07.078
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 4.9 Citation: 7	16	Mills, D. J. (2019). Does dispositional mindfulness moderate how individuals engage in their passions? An investigation into video games. <i>Leisure Studies</i> , 38(5), 651-665. https://doi.org/10.1080/02614367.2019.1633682

Rating: 5 (P) Impact Factor: 8.4 Citation: 274	15	Li, W., Mills, D. J. , & Nower, L. (2019). The relationship of loot box purchases to problem video gaming and problem gambling. <i>Addictive Behaviors</i> , 97, 27–34. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addbeh.2019.05.016
Rating: 5 (P) Impact Factor: 8.4 Citation: 161	14	Mills, D. J. , & Nower, L. (2019). Preliminary findings on cryptocurrency trading among regular gamblers: A new risk for problem gambling?. <i>Addictive Behaviors</i> , 92, 136–140. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addbeh.2019.01.005
Rating: 1 Impact Factor: n/a Citation: 8	13	Mills, D. J. , & Marchica, L., & Li Anthony, W. (2019). Negative affect, life satisfaction, and internet gaming disorder: Exploring the mediating effect of coping and the moderating effect of passion. <i>World Journal of Social Science Research</i> , 6, 45-66. https://doi.org/10.22158/wjssr.v6n1p45
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 2.9 Citation: 116	12	Boke, B. N., Mills, D. J. , Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2019) Stress and coping patterns in university. <i>Journal of College Student Development</i> . https://muse.jhu.edu/article/715312/pdf 2018
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 8.5 Citation: 84	11	Mills, D. J. , Milyavskaya, M., Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2018) Exploring the pull and push underlying problem video game use: A Self-Determination Theory approach. <i>Personality and Individual Differences</i> , 135, 176–181. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.paid.2018.07.007
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 9.5 Citation: 46	10	Mills, D. J. , Milyavskaya, M., Mettler, J., Heath, N. L., & Derevensky, J. L. (2018). How do passion for video games and needs frustration explain time spent gaming? <i>British Journal of Social Psychology</i> , 57, 461–481. https://doi.org/10.1111/bjso.12239
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 6.1 Citation: 90	9	Mills, D. J. , Milyavskaya, M., Derevensky, J., & Heath, N. L. (2018). Gaming motivation and problematic video gaming: The role of needs frustration. <i>European Journal of Social Psychology</i> 48, 551-559. https://doi.org/10.1002/ejsp.2343 2017
Rating: 3 Impact Factor: 1.8 Citation: 4	8	Conway, L. G., Boyd, R. L., Dennehy, T. C., Mills, D. J. , & Repke, M. A. (2017). Political behavior inside and outside the lab: Bringing political research to the real world. <i>Translational Issues in Psychological Science</i> , 3(3), 227-230. https://doi.org/10.1037/tps0000129
Rating: 2 Impact Factor: 0.5 Citation: 5	7	Carsley, D., Mettler, J., Shapiro, A. J., Mills, D. J. , Bloom, E. L., & Heath, N. L. (2017). Evaluation of an educator-delivered school-based stress management program for adolescents. <i>LEARNing Landscapes</i> , 10(2), 73-89. https://doi.org/10.36510/learnland.v10i2.802

Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 6.1 Citation: 20	6	Emery, A. A., Heath, N. L., & Mills, D. J. (2017). The role of basic need satisfaction in the onset, maintenance, and cessation of NSSI: An application of Self-Determination Theory. <i>Archives of Suicide Research</i> , 21, 413-424. https://doi.org/10.1080/13811118.2016.1211043
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 4.3 Citation: 33	5	Carsley, D., Heath, N. L., Gomez-Garibello, C., & Mills, D. J. (2017). The importance of mindfulness in explaining the relationship between adolescents' anxiety and dropout intentions. <i>School Mental Health</i> , 9(1), 78-86. https://doi.org/10.1007/s12310-016-9196-x
Rating: 1 Impact Factor: n/a Citation: 3	4	Argento, A. V., Mills, D. J. , Carmichael, V., Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2017). Gamers and video game users: What's the difference?. <i>Journal of Interpersonal Relations, Intergroup Relations and Identity</i> , 10, 58-68. Available at: https://escholarship.mcgill.ca/concern/articles/r781wn01w
		2016
Rating: 2 Impact Factor: 1.1 Citation: 6	3	Mills, D. J. , Mettler, J., Sornberger, M. J., & Heath, N. L. (2016). Adolescent problematic gaming and domain-specific perceptions of self. <i>International Journal of Cyber Behavior, Psychology and Learning</i> , 6(4), 44–56. https://doi.org/10.4018/IJCBPL.2016100104
Rating: 5 Impact Factor: 8.2 Citation: 120	2	Emery, A. A., Heath, N. L., & Mills, D. J. (2016). Basic psychological need satisfaction, emotion dysregulation, and non-suicidal self-injury engagement in young adults: An application of Self-Determination Theory. <i>Journal of Youth and Adolescence</i> , 45(3), 612–623. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10964-015-0405-y
Rating: 4 Impact Factor: 6.1 Citation: 83	1	Heath, N. L., Carsley, D., DeRiggi, M., Mills, D. J. , & Mettler, J. (2016). The relationship between mindfulness, depressive symptoms and non-suicidal self-injury amongst adolescents. <i>Archives of Suicide Research</i> , 20(4) 635-649. https://doi.org/10.1080/13811118.2016.1162243

Manuscripts Under Review or In Final Preparation (i.e., < 3 months to submission) Total = 10.

Authorship Notes:

† Mentored ADRS students

^ Mentored non-ADRS graduate student

Under review

1. †Lee, U., & **Mills, D. J.** (*under review*). Going Beyond the Dark Traits: Exploring the Association Between Dispositional Greed and Gambling Behaviors

In final preparation

1. †Risco, S., †Spencer, T., Brown, C., & **Mills, D. J.** (*in final prep*). The dual faces of passion: How obsessive and harmonious passions relate to depression through problematic pornography use.
2. †Lewis, L., & **Mills, D. J.** (*in final prep*). How Do Drinking Motives Explain the Relationship Between the Dualistic Model of Passion and Alcohol Use?.

3. †Risco, S., & **Mills, D. J.** (*in final prep*). From Gacha to Loot Boxes: A comparative analysis of their impact on depression mediated by problem video gaming.
4. †Lewis, L., **Mills, D. J.**, †Lee, U. (*in final prep*). Exploring the Role of the Dualistic Model of Passion on the Relationship Between Craving and Problem Drinking.
5. **Mills, D. J.**, †Lee, U., †Botor, N., Kuehl, H., DiAnello, C., (*in final prep*). Exploring the various mindfulness profiles of adults and university students who drink: A latent profile analysis.
6. †Lee, U., Tuliao, A., & **Mills, D. J.** (*in final prep*). Exploring the association between dispositional greed and problem financial trading: The interplay of greed, craving, and self-control.
7. †Risco, S., †Lee, U., & **Mills, D. J.** (*in final prep*). Gambling behaviors in sports enthusiasts: Distinguishing sports gamers from non-sports gamers.

Edited Book Chapter & Encyclopedia Entries Total = 2

1. Nower, L, **Mills, D. J.**, & Li Anthony, W. (2020). Gambling Disorder: The first behavioral addiction. *Handbook on Social Work and Addiction*.
2. Li Anthony, W., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2020). Addiction to Internet gaming and other interactive media: A new public health concern. *Handbook on Social Work and Addiction*.

Peer Review Reports Total = 1

1. ^ Spencer, T.J., †Strong, M.K., & **Mills, D.J.** (2025). *The Impact of Legalized Gambling on Recovery Communities: A Community-Based Participatory Research Study*. Lubbock, TX: Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences, Texas Tech University.
**Report submitted to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission as part of the 2024-25 grant.

Non-Peer Review Reports Total = 2

1. Spare, K. E., Harwell, W., **Mills, D.J.**, †Lee, U., & †Lewis, L. (2023). 2022 Missouri Gambling Prevalence Study. Report to the Gaming and Kansas City Port Authority Problem Gambling Fund Advisory Committee. Kansas City, MO: Authors
2. Harwell, W., Spare, K. E., **Mills, D.J.**, †Lee, U., & †Lewis, L. (2023). 2022 Oklahoma Gambling Prevalence Study. Report to the Oklahoma Association for Problem Gambling and Gaming. Norman, OK: Authors

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Authorship Notes:

- * Mentored Undergraduate student
- † Mentored ADRS students
- ^ Mentored non-ADRS graduate student

Conference Paper Presentations Total = 32

2025

1. ^Spencer, T.J, +Strong, M.K., **Mills, D.J.** (2025). *Leveraging Recovery Community Voices to Identify Systemic Gambling Recovery Challenges*. Paper accepted for presentation at the National Conference on Gambling Addiction and Responsible Gambling 2025, Columbus, OH.
2. **Mills, D.J.**, +Risco, S., Lee, U. (2025). *Blurred lines: Gambling risks in sports-themed video games*. Paper accepted for presentation at the National Conference on Gambling Addiction and Responsible Gambling 2025, Columbus, OH.

2024

3. **Mills, D. J.**, Marvin, C., Mitchell, S. M., & Victor, S. E. (2024). *Gambling behaviors and non-suicidal self-injury: Uncovering shared and unique psychological links and motivations*. Paper accepted for presentation at the 19th annual conference of the International Society for the Study of Self-Injury, Toronto, Canada.
4. **Mills, D. J.**, & +Risco, S. (2024). *Sports-themed video game players: A vulnerable population for problem gambling*. Paper presented to the Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction 2024. Denver, CO.

2023

5. **Mills, D. J.**, +Lewis, L., +Lee, U. (2023). *Weakening the link between craving and addiction: The role of passionate engagement*. Paper presented to the 2023 Self-Determination Theory Conference, Orlando, FL.
6. **Mills, D. J.**, +Lewis, L., +Lee, U. (2023). *Disrupting the relation between gambling cravings and problem gambling: The role of non-gambling passions*. Paper presented to the 18th International Conference on Gambling & Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.
7. Li Anthony, W., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2023). *Evaluation of the DSM-5 Internet Gaming Disorder Measures: A COSMIN Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis*. Paper presented to the 18th International Conference on Gambling & Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.
8. Li Anthony, W., ^Stanmyre, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2023). *The Nuance of Mindfulness among Gamblers and Video Game Players: Empirical Findings from Latent Profile Analysis and Links to Intervention for Problem Gambling and Problem Video Gaming*. Paper presented to the 18th International Conference on Gambling & Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.
9. Van der Maas, M., **Mills, D. J.**, Cho, R.S., & Kim, A.H. (2023). *Weekly, monthly, yearly: Short and long term patterns of participation on a online community of lottery players*. Paper presented to the 18th International Conference on Gambling & Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.

2022

10. McLaughlin, B., Gotlieb, M., & **Mills, D. J.** (2022, May). *News Addiction and its Role in Fueling Political Conflict*. Paper presented at the 72nd Annual International Communication Conference, Paris, France.
11. ^Stanmyre, J. F., **Mills, D. J.**, Anthony, W. L., & Nower, L. (2022). *Mindfulness profiles among gamblers: Exploring differences in gambling behaviors, motivations, cognitions, and mental health*. Paper presented at the 2022 National Conference on Gambling Addiction and Responsible Gambling, Boston, MA.
12. **Mills, D. J.**, (2022). *Facets of mindfulness partially mediate the association between integrative emotion regulation and hazardous drinking and mental wellbeing*. Paper presented at 2022 Society for the Study of Motivation Conference, Chicago, IL.

2021

13. ^Petrovic, J., Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, Hamza, C., & Heath, N. L. (2021). *The mixed COVID-19 experiences of adults with a history of nonsuicidal self-injury*. Paper presented at the 2021 International Society for the Study of Self-Injury (ISSS) virtual conference.
14. ^Petrovic, J., Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, Hamza, C., & Heath, N. L. (2021). *Is there a silver lining? An exploration beyond negative COVID-19 experiences*. Paper presented at the 33rd annual Association for Psychological Science (APS) conference.

2020

15. **Mills, D. J.**, & Allen, J. J. (2020). *Need Frustration, Self-Control, and Internet Gaming Disorder: A Self-Determination Theory*. Paper presented for presentation at the 7th International Conference on Behavioral Addictions, Nottingham, UK. (Postponed due to COVID-19).
16. Nower, L. & **Mills, D. J.** (2020). *The Bitter and the Sweet: Nostalgia's Forgotten Dimension and Behavioral Addictions*. Paper presented for presentation at the 7th International Conference on Behavioral Addictions, Nottingham, UK. (Postponed due to COVID-19).
17. Li, W., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2020). *Anhedonia and Internet Gaming Disorder*. Paper presented for presentation at the 7th International Conference on Behavioral Addictions, Nottingham, UK. (Postponed due to COVID-19).
18. Marchica, L., **Mills, D. J.**, Keough, M. T., Derevensky, J. (2020). *Exploring differences among video gamers with and without depression*. Paper accepted to the 2020 Canadian Psychological Convention, Montreal, Canada. (Cancelled due to COVID-19).
19. Li, W., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2020). *Murky Nexus of Gambling and Video Gaming: Assessing Problematic Social Casino Gaming*. Paper accepted for presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 2020 Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

2019

20. Marchica, L., **Mills, D. J.**, Derevensky, J. L., & Montreuil, T. (2019). *The relationship between emotion regulation and risk taking behaviors*. Paper presented for presentation at the Canadian Psychological Association Convention, Halifax, NS.
21. **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2019). *Cryptocurrency Trading Among Regular Gamblers: A New Risk for Problem Gambling?*. Paper presented for presentation at the 17th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.
22. Marchica, L., **Mills, D. J.**, Derevensky, J. L., & Montreuil, T. (2019). *The Impact and Role of Emotion Regulation on Problem Gambling among Emerging Adults*. Paper presented for presentation at the 17th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.

2018

23. **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2018). *Daily fantasy sports, social casino games, and ethnic differences in gambling behaviors: Results from a statewide prevalence study*. Paper presented at the 12th European Conference on Gambling Studies and Policy Issues, Excelsior, Valletta, Malta.
24. Nower, L., & **Mills, D. J.** (2018). *Time-of-day and online gambling: Results from an empirical study*. Paper presented at the 12th European Conference on Gambling Studies and Policy Issues, Excelsior, Valletta, Malta.

25. Marchica, L., **Mills, D. J.**, Derevensky, J. L., & Montreuil, T. (2018). *Investigating emotion regulation, anxiety, and dispositional mindfulness as moderators of gambling to cope*. Paper presented at the 32nd National Council on Problem Gambling, Cleveland, OH.
26. **Mills, D. J.**, Li Anthony, W., & Nower, L. (2018). *Should we be concerned about social casino game use? Results from a statewide prevalence study*. Paper presented at the 32nd National Council on Problem Gambling, Cleveland, OH.

2017

27. **Mills, D. J.**, Milyavskaya, M, Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2017). *Pattern of gaming engagement in university students: exploring the role of needs frustration and obsessive passion*. Paper presented at the 2017 Canadian Psychological Convention, Toronto, Canada.
28. **Mills, D. J.**, Milyavskaya, M., Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2017). *Needs frustration, time gaming and the role of passion and gender*. Paper presented at the 2017 Human Development Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

2016

29. **Mills, D. J.**, Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Gaming disorder in passionate and non-passionate gamers: The role of needs frustration*. Paper presented at the 2016 American Psychological Convention, Denver, Colorado.
30. **Mills, D. J.**, Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Reports of needs satisfaction in non-gaming activity by passionate gamers*. Paper presented at the 2016 Human Development Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

2015

31. Heath, N. L., **Mills, D. J.**, Mettler, J. & Gomez-Garibello (2015). Trajectory of non-suicidal self-injury in adolescence: A 3-year longitudinal study. In *Nonsuicidal Self-Injury in School Settings*. A symposium conducted for the 28th World Congress of the International Association for Suicide Prevention, IASP, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

2014

32. **Mills, D. J.**, Heath, N. L., Sornberger, M. J., & Shapiro, A. J. (2014). *Measures of video game use and self-perception: Differences in gender*. Paper presented for presentation at the Education Graduate Student Society 13th Annual Conference at McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Poster Presentations Total = 54

Authorship Notes:

- * Mentored Undergraduate student
- † Mentored ADRS student
- ^ Mentored non-ADRS graduate student

2025

1. †Strong, M.K., Lewis, L.E., **Mills, D.J.** (2025). *Basic psychological needs and their connection to recovery capital: A pathway to well-being*. Poster accepted to the Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction Annual Meeting: APA Division 50, Providence, Rhode Island.
2. †Strong, M.K., Lewis, L.E., **Mills, D.J.** (2025). *Basic psychological needs and their connection to*

recovery capital: A pathway to well-being. Poster accepted to the Texas Tech University Graduate School Research Conference, Lubbock, Texas.

3. Lewis, L.E., †Strong, M.K., **Mills, D.J.** (2025). *Mental health over time: Depression and anxiety in recovery.* Poster accepted to the National Conference on Addiction Recovery Science, Virtual.
4. †Strong, M.K. **Mills, D.J.** (2025). *Applying Schlossberg's Transition Theory: Navigating College-to-Work Transitions for Students in Collegiate Recovery Programs.* Poster accepted to the Association of Recovery in Higher Education Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.
5. Bhakta, M., Martinez, S., Prager, S., & **Mills, D.J.** (2025) *More Connected, Yet More Alone: The Psychological Consequences of Social Media Disorder.* Poster submitted to the 2025 TTU Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
6. Hernandez, C. M.; Prager, S. E.; Risco, S. G.; **Mills, D. J.** (2025) *Crafting a Better Buzz: How Hobbies Help College Students Drink Smarter.* Poster submitted to 2025 TTU TrUE Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
7. Hernandez, C. M.; Prager, S. E.; Risco, S. G.; **Mills, D. J.** (2025) *Crafting a Better Buzz: How Hobbies Help College Students Drink Smarter.* Poster submitted to 2025 National Collegiate Honors Council Conference, San Diego, CA.

****Poster was selected by the Honors College to be presented at the National Collegiate Honors Council.

2024

5. †Risco, S., †Lee, U., **Mills, D. J.** (2024). *Sports-Themed Video Game Players: A Vulnerable Population for Problem Gambling.* Poster presented to the 25th International Center for Responsible Gaming Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
6. *Avila, C, †Risco, S., †Lee, U., & **Mills, D. J.** (2024). *Pixels to Pain: How Thwarted Belongingness and Perceived Burdensomeness Mediate the Link Between Problematic Video Gaming and Depression.* Poster presented at the Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
7. *Faires, A., †Risco, S., †Lee, U., & **Mills, D. J.** (2024). *Mindfulness on Tap: A Sobering Insight into the Various Facets of Mindfulness.* Poster presented at the Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
8. *Peoples, T., †Lewis, L. E., †Risco, S., & **Mills, D. J.** (2024). *Pouring Over Personality: The Intricate Relationship Between Dark Traits and Problematic Drinking.* Poster presented at the Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
9. *Hernandez, C., †Risco, S., †Lewis, L. E., & **Mills, D. J.** (2024). *Raise a Glass, Mind the Motives: Unveiling Drinking Profiles in US Adults.* Poster presented at the Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
10. *Hernandez, C., †Risco, S., †Lewis, L. E., & **Mills, D. J.** (2024). *Raise a Glass, Mind the Motives: Unveiling Drinking Profiles in US Adults.* Poster presented at the 2024 National Collegiate Honors Council Conference, Kansas City, MO.

****Poster was selected by the Honors College to be presented at the National Collegiate Honors Council.

2023

11. †Lee, U., †Risco, S., **Mills, D. J.** (2023). *From Stocks to Stakes: Unraveling Risky Investment Behaviors and Their Psychological Underpinnings in Frequent Gamblers.* Poster presented to the 24th International Center for Responsible Gaming Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
12. **Mills, D. J.**, †Lee, U., †Risco, S. (2023). *From Playing to Betting: The Dual Risks of Sport-Simulated Video Game Players.* Poster presented at the 24th International Center for Responsible Gaming Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

13. *Faires, A., †Lewis, L., & **Mills, D. J.** (2023) *Association between adverse childhood experiences, autonomous functioning and dispositional mindfulness: A conceptual study*. Poster presented at the 2023 TTU Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
14. *Mendoza, S., †Lewis, L., **Mills, D. J.** (2023). *Exploring the effect internal and external self-control and emotion regulation process onto mental health: An application of self-determination theory*. Poster presented at the 2023 TTU Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
15. *Hernandez, C., †Lewis, L., & **Mills, D. J.** (2023). *The intersection of the Dualistic Model of Passion, emotion regulation, and alcohol use disorder*. Poster presented at the 2023 TTU Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
16. *Griffin, P., †Lee, U., & **Mills, D. J.** (2023). *Exploring the effect of need frustration on problem drinking, and the mediational role of self-control*. Poster presented at the 2023 TTU Undergraduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
17. ^Petrovic, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Heath, N. L. (2023, June). *Beyond emotion regulation difficulties: A Self-Determination Theory perspective on emotion regulation, mindfulness, and nonsuicidal self-injury*. Poster presented at the 84th annual Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) conference, Toronto, ON.
18. **Mills, D. J.**, †Botor, N., †Lee, U., Koehl, H., & D’Aniello, C. (2023). *Examining the facets of mindfulness in relation to problem drinking: a latent profile analysis*. Poster presented at the Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction, Albuquerque, NM.
19. ^Petrovic, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Heath, N. L. (2023). *Beyond emotion regulation difficulties: A Self-Determination Theory perspective on emotion regulation, mindfulness, and nonsuicidal self-injury*. Poster presented at the 84th annual Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) conference, Toronto, ON.
20. †Lee, U., **Mills, D. J.**, & †Lewis, L. (2023). *Self-control partially mediates the relation between need frustration and problem drinking: A path model*. Poster presented at the 2023 Self-Determination Theory Conference, Orlando, FL.
21. †Lewis, L., & **Mills, D. J.**, (2023). *Expanding the dualistic model of passion to better understand problem drinking: A mediation model*. Poster presented at the 2023 Self-Determination Theory Conference, Orlando, FL
22. †Lewis, L., **Mills, D. J.**, & †Lee, U. (2023). *Dispositional mindfulness, alcohol use, and the mediating role of basic psychological needs*. Poster presented at the 2023 Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction, Albuquerque, NM.
23. ^Egbe, P., †Lee, U., & **Mills, D. J.**, (2023). *Exploring Problem Gambling: The effects of Dispositional greed above and beyond The Dark traits*. Poster presented at the 18th International Conference on Gambling & Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.
24. †Lee, U., **Mills, D. J.**, & †Lewis, L. (2023). *Exploring psychological characteristic of problem financial trading: The effect of self-control and dispositional greed*. Poster presented at the 18th International Conference on Gambling & Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.

2022

25. †Lee, U., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nichols, Z. (2022). *Drinking Motivations Mediate the Effect of Thwarted Belongingness and Perceived Burdensomeness onto Problem Drinking*. Poster presented at the 45th Annual Research Society on Alcoholism Scientific Meeting, Orlando, FL.

26. Chroback, K. M., †Lee, U. & **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *General Causality Orientations, Problem Alcohol Use, and the Mediating Role of Integrative Emotion Regulation: A Self-Determination Theory Perspective*. Poster presented at the 45th Annual Research Society on Alcoholism Scientific Meeting, San Orlando, FL.
27. †Lee, U., & **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *Greed in Relation to Problem Gambling: A Self-Determination Theory Perspective*. Poster presented at the 36th National Council on Problem Gambling, Boston, MA.
28. ^Petrovic, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Mitchell, S. M. (2021, August). *Establishing the potential benefits of passion among adults at-risk for suicide*. Poster presented at the 34th annual Association for Psychological Science (APS) conference, Chicago, IL, United States.
29. *Mumma, J., Chroback, K. M., †Lee, U. & **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *Are Emotion Regulation Processes and Non-Gambling Related Passions Protective or Risk Factors for Problem Gambling?*. Poster presented at the 2022 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
30. **Mills, D. J.**, Tóth-Király, I., Mettler, J. & Persram, R. J. (2022). *On the Validity of the Interpersonal Behaviors Questionnaire within Video Gaming*. Poster presented at the 2022 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
31. Chroback, K. M., & **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *Psychometric Properties of a Risky Gun Ownership Measure among University Students*. Poster presented at the 2022 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.

2021

32. ^Petrovic, J., Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Heath, N. L. (2021). *The interaction effect of gender and non-suicidal self-injury on positive COVID-19 experiences*. Poster presented at the 2021 American Psychological Association virtual conference.
33. ^Richardson, L., **Mills, D. J.**, Mitchell, S., & Victor, S. (2021). *Risk for addiction moderates the association between emotion-based impulsivity and suicidal ideation among adults*. Poster presented to the American Association of Suicidology, Washington, DC.

2020

34. **Mills, D. J.**, Li Anthony, W., & Nower, L. (2020). *The emergence of problem cryptocurrency trading: A rising concern for mental health professionals*. Poster presented to the 34th National Council on Problem Gambling, Washington, DC. (Cancelled due to COVID-19).
35. Chroback, K. M., & **Mills, D. J.** (2020). *Interpersonal Need Satisfaction and Frustration Explains the Association between the Dark Triad and Passion for Video Gaming*. Poster presented to the 32nd Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention, Chicago, IL. (Cancelled due to COVID-19).

2019

36. **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2019). *Cryptocurrency Trading Among Regular Gamblers: A New Risk for Problem Gambling?*. Poster presented for presentation at the 17th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking, Las Vegas, NV.
37. **Mills, D. J.**, Li, W. & Nower, L. (2019). *Global motivations, basic psychological needs, and problem gambling: Applying the framework of self-determination theory*. Poster presented at the 2019 National Center for Responsible Gaming Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

*** Awarded 2019 Outstanding Poster.

2018

38. Li Anthony, W., **Mills, D. J.**, & Nower, L. (2019). *Assessing internet gaming disorder: A systematic review of diagnostic criteria and measurement instruments*. Poster presented for presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 2019 Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.
39. **Mills, D. J.** (2019). *Does Mindfulness Moderate Passion Engagement? An Investigation into Video Games*. Poster presented for presentation at the 20th Annual Convention of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.
40. Argento, A., **Mills, D. J.**, Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2018). *Identifying gamers and video game users*. Poster presented at the annual convention of the Canadian Psychological Association's (CPA) International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP), Montreal, QC.

2017

41. **Mills, D. J.**, Milyavskaya, M., Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2017). *Exploring the associations among problematic gaming, needs frustration, and subjective well-being*. Poster presented at the 2017 American Psychological Association Convention, Washington, DC.
42. Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Heath, N. L. (2017). *The role of mindfulness and flow in predicting problematic gaming*. Poster presented for presentation at the Canadian Psychological Association, Toronto, ON.

2016

43. Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, Sadowski, I., & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Symptoms of problematic video game use, subjective well-being, and the mediating role of mindfulness*. Poster presented at the 2016 American Psychological Convention, Denver, Colorado.
44. **Mills, D. J.**, Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L., (2016). *Needs satisfaction in non-gaming activity: Differences between harmoniously and obsessively passionate gamers*. Poster presented at the 6th International Conference of Self-Determination Theory, Victoria, British Columbia.
45. Mettler, J., De Riggi, M. E., **Mills, D. J.**, & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Factors of resilience as predictors of engagement in non-suicidal self-injury in adolescence*. Poster presented at the International Society for the Study of Self-Injury (ISSS), Eau-Claire, Wisconsin.
46. Böke, B. N., Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, Sadowski, I., & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Student reports of stress and coping behaviours in university*. Poster presented at the 2016 Human Development Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
47. Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, Sadowski, I., & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Trait mindfulness in gamers: Implications for well-being*. Poster presented at the 2016 Human Development Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
48. Mettler, J., **Mills, D. J.**, & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Differences in reports of mindfulness and flow in problematic gaming*. Poster presented at the 2016 Human Development Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
49. Argento, A., Torrie, A., **Mills, D. J.**, Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2016). *Gamers and video game users: What's the difference?* Poster presented at the 2016 Human Development Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

2015

50. Carsley, D., **Mills, D. J.**, Shapiro, A., Bloom, E., Roberts, E., & Heath, N. L. (2015). *Evaluating an educator delivered mindfulness-based stress management program for adolescents*. Poster presented for presentation at the Third International Conference on Youth Mental Health, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
51. **Mills, D. J.**, Carsley, D., Mettler, J., De Riggi, M., & Heath, N. L. (2015). *On the role of mindfulness in predicting non-suicidal self-injury in adolescents*. Poster presented at the Third International Conference on Youth Mental Health, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
52. **Mills, D. J.**, Carsley, D., Heath, N. L., & Gomez-Garibello (2015). *Differences in anxiety, depression, and mindfulness across problematic gaming groups*. Poster presented at the 2015 American Psychological Association Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
53. Carsley, D., **Mills, D. J.**, Heath, N. L., & Gomez-Garibello (2015). *The importance of mindfulness in risk for high school dropout*. Poster presented at the 2015 American Psychological Association Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

2014

54. **Mills, D. J.**, Joly, M., Shapiro, A. J., Mettler, J., & Heath, N. L. (2014). *Early adolescent attachment and pathological video game use*. Poster presented at the Development 2014: A Canadian Conference on Developmental Psychology, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
55. **Mills, D. J.**, Heath, N. L., Sornberger, M. J., & Shapiro, A. J. (2014). *Gender differences in the relationship between measures of video game use and self-perception*. Poster session accepted for presentation at the 2014 Canadian Psychological Association Convention, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.
56. **Mills, D. J.**, Shapiro, A. J., Sornberger, M. J., & Heath, N. L. (2014). *Differences in self-perception associated with alternative measures of video game use*. Poster presented at the 2014 American Psychological Association Convention, Washington, DC
57. De Riggi, M. E., Gholamrezaei, M., **Mills, D. J.**, Shapiro, A. J., & Heath, N. L. (2014). *Changes in adolescent negative coping strategies: Do you have to get worse before you get better?* Poster presented at the 2014 American Psychological Association Convention, Washington, DC.

2012

58. Estes, P., **Mills, D. J.**, & Williams, K. (2012). *Investigating the student perception within the general education curriculum*. Poster presented at the Association for 2012 Institutional Research in the Upper Midwest, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

2011

59. **Mills, D.J.** (2011). *Effects of a multicultural course to preservice education students*. Poster presented at the 2011 Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago.

INVITED TALKS AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

2023

1. **Mills, D. J.** (2023). *Current State of Gambling and Gambling Disorder in Texas and the U.S.* Invited Presentation for the 2023 Panhandle Addiction Symposium. Amarillo, Texas.

2. **Mills, D. J.** (2023). *Prevalence of Gambling and Problem Gambling in Oklahoma*. Invited Presentation for the 2023 Oklahoma Gambling Conference. Norman, OK.
3. **Mills, D. J.** (2023). *Prevalence of Gambling and Problem Gambling in Oklahoma and Missouri*. Invited Presentation for the 2023 Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling & Substance Abuse. Kansas City, MO.

2022

4. **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *Gambling Disorder and Beyond*. Invited Presentation for the 2022 International Consortium of Universities for Drug Demand Reduction. Online Presentation.
5. **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *Demystifying the link between problem gambling, cryptocurrencies, and other financial assets*. Invited Presentation for the Center for Addiction and Mental Health; Toronto, Canada. Online Presentation.
6. **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *Behavioral Addictions and Passion: An Exploration into the Emerging Research and Clinical Implications*. Invited Presentation for the 2022 McKenzie Lectureship Series. Lubbock, Texas.
7. **Mills, D. J.** (2022). *Discussion on Problem Gambling*. Invited panelist on responsible gaming conducted by the Texas Lottery Commission. Austin, Texas.

2021

8. **Mills, D. J.** (2021). *A Disentangling Addiction from Passion: An Exploration into the Emerging Research on Behavioral Addictions*. Invited Presentation for the 2021 Source to Solution Symposium. Lubbock, Texas.

2020

9. **Mills, D. J., & Kim, H. S.** (2020). *Are you gaming or “gambling”? What exactly are Social Casino Games?*. Invited Presentation for the Technology, Risk and Gambling Seminar Series, University of Sydney. Online Presentation.

TEACHING

INSTRUCTION

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY: Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences

Texas Tech - Instructor of Record

** Indicates new course preparation

ADRS 2310 - Understanding Alcohol, Drugs, and Addictive Behaviors

Fall 2019**, Spring 2020, Summer 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Summer 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Summer 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Summer 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Summer 2024, Fall 2024, Spring 2025

(Note: Served as Coordinating Instructor since Spring 2020)

ADRS 3325 - Family Dynamics of Addiction

Summer 2020**

ADRS 3329 - Addiction, Recovery, and Relationships

Spring 2021**

ADRS 6330 – Process (Behavioral) Addictions
Spring 2022**, Spring 2024

ADRS 6342 - Structural Equation Modelling
Fall 2022**, Fall 2023

ADRS 6395 - Research Practicum
Summer 2022**, Summer 2024

Rutgers University - Instructor of Record

** Indicates new course preparation

HBSE 19:910:514 - Addictive Behaviors across the Life Span
Spring 2019**, Summer 2019

McGill University - Instructor of Record

** Indicates new course preparation

EDPE 377 - Adolescence and Education
Spring 2017**

McGill University - Teaching Assistant

EDPE 300 - Educational Psychology
Spring 2016, Fall 2015

EDTL 500 - Applications of Educational Psychology Across Classrooms
Spring 2015, Fall 2014

Edgewood College - Teaching Assistant

PSY 349 - Social Psychology
Spring 2013

Guest Lectures

Rutgers University - Overview of Item Response Theory and Exploratory Structural Equation Modelling
Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020, Fall 2019

Texas Tech University - Current State of Gambling and Video Gaming Disorders
Fall 2019

GRADUATE RESEARCH MENTORSHIP & ADVISING

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY: Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences

Dissertation Chair – In Progress

1. *Risco, Sebastian*
2. *Prager, Sharon*
3. *Strong, Michelle*

Expected graduation date: August 2026
Expected graduation date: August 2026
Expected graduation date: August 2027

Dissertation Chair – Completed

1. *Lee, Uibin* Date of Graduation: August 2024
***Current Position:** Assistant Professor at University of Alabama – Tuscaloosa
2. *Lewis, Lauren* Date of Graduation: August 2024
***Current Position:** Postdoctoral Fellow at University of Connecticut

Dissertation Committee Member – In Progress

** Non-ADRS Student

1. *Ohene, Lilian* Expected graduation date: August 2025
2. *Adeyemo, Queen* Expected graduation date: August 2025
3. *Maxton, Ashnita* Expected graduation date: August 2025
4. *Felipe, Veronica* Expected graduation date: August 2025
5. ***Petrovic, Julia* Expected graduation date: May 2025
(Educational Psychology – Human Development – McGill University)
6. ***Stanmyre, Jackie* Expected graduation date: December 2024
(Social Work – Rutgers University)

Dissertation Committee Member – Completed

** Non-ADRS Student

1. *Awua, Joshua* Date of Graduation: August 2024
2. *Botor, Nephtaly* Date of Graduation: August 2024
3. *Boye, Comfort* Date of Graduation: August 2024
4. ***Hoss, Lara* Date of Graduation: August 2024
(Couples, Marriage, and Family Therapy – Texas Tech University)
5. ***Milman, Daisy* Date of Graduation: May 2023
(Media and Communications – Texas Tech University)
6. *Gerber, William* Date of Graduation: May 2022

Doctoral Candidacy (Comprehensive Exam) Chair

** Non-ADRS Student

1. *Lee, Uibin* Date of Graduation: August 2024
2. *Lewis, Lauren* Date of Graduation: August 2024
3. *Kelly Chrobak* Date of Graduation: August 2022

Doctoral Candidacy (Comprehensive Exam) Member

** Non-ADRS Student

1. *Awua, Joshua* Date of Graduation: August 2024
2. *Botor, Nephtaly* Date of Graduation: August 2024
3. *Boye, Comfort* Date of Graduation: August 2024
4. ***Milman, Daisy* Date of Graduation: May 2023
(Media and Communications – Texas Tech University)
5. *Gerber, William* Date of Graduation: May 2022

Master's Thesis Chair – Completed

** Non-ADRS Student

1. ***Gonzales, Sara* Date of Graduation: May 2022
(MA in Interdisciplinary Studies – Texas Tech University)

Master's Thesis Committee Member – Completed

** Non-ADRS Student

1. ***Egbe, Peter* Date of Graduation: May 2023
(MA in Interdisciplinary Studies – Texas Tech University)

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH MENTORSHIP

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY: Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences

Undergraduate Lab Research Assistants

2024-2025 Muniz, Zalanda; Jones, Emily; Peoples, Taylin; Hamilton, Allison; Avila, Cristian; Haney, Katelyn; Luna, Hallie; Bhakta, Malli; Hernandez, Camille

2023-2024 Faires, Ashlee; Peoples, Taylin; Avila, Cristian; Luna, Hallie; Hernandez, Camille; Mendoza, Sydney

Notes:

- (1) Hernandez, Camille was a finalist for the undergraduate 3-minute thesis competition
- (2) Faires, Ashlee won 3rd place for her presentation at the 2024 Undergraduate Research Conference
- (3) Mendoza, Sydney attending Texas Women's College for graduate school

2022-2023 Faires, Ashlee; Hernandez, Camille; Mendoza, Sydney; Griffin, Preston

Notes:

- (1) Hernandez, Camille won 1st place for her presentation at the 2023 Undergraduate Research Conference
- (2) Griffin, Preston won 3rd place for her presentation at the 2024 Undergraduate Research Conference

SERVICE

COLLEGE SERVICE – TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Member, College of Human Sciences Search Committee for Founding Chair, Department of Interdisciplinary Human Sciences (2024-2025)

Member, College of Human Sciences Faculty Council (2021-2023)

Member, College of Human Sciences Student Services Committee (2021-2023)

Member, College of Human Sciences Grade Appeals Committee (2019-2021)

Dissertation Committee – Graduate Dean’s Representative

Michael McClay (5/8/2022)

Joshua Cloudy (6/18/2024)

DEPARTMENT SERVICE – TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Chair, Search Committee for Tenured/Tenure-Track Position (2024-2025)

Chair, CFAS Research Colloquium (2022-present)

Chair, Search Committee for Tenured/Tenure-Track Endowed Position in Eating Disorders (2022-2023)

Chair, Personnel Committee (2022-2023)

Member, Curriculum Committee (2023-present)

Member, Personnel Committee (2021-2022)

Member, Search Committee for Professor of Practice in Addictive Disorders and Recovery Studies (2019-2020)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Texas Coalition on Problem Gambling, President of the Board (2023-2024)

Non-profit in Texas with the aim of reducing harms associated with problematic gambling, increasing safer gambling practices, and advocating for greater access to treatment to address problematic gambling and co-occurring conditions.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

National Council on Problem Gambling, Science Committee, Member (2020-present)

EDITORIAL & PEER-REVIEW POSITIONS

Associate Editor

Current Psychology: May 2023 – May 2025

Ad-Hoc Peer Reviewer

Times Reviewed in Parentheses (from Publons on June 2024)

Addictive Behaviors (7); International Gambling Studies (7); Computers in Human Behavior (6); Addiction Research & Theory (4); Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking (4); Addiction (3); European Journal of Pediatrics (3); Frontiers in Psychiatry (2); International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction (2); Journal of Behavioral Addictions (2)

Ad-Hoc Grant Reviewer

APA Division 50, Society of Addiction Psychology Student Grant Program

National Council on Problem Gambling, Durand Jacobs Award Program

National Council on Problem Gambling, Agility Grants Program

OUTREACH AND ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP

Prevalence of Gambling and Problematic Gambling in Oklahoma and Missouri (2022-2024)

- Project sponsored by the Oklahoma Association for Problem Gambling and Gaming and the Kansas City Port Authority Problem Gambling Fund Advisory Committee.
- Funded a PhD Research Assistant for 12-months.
- Resulted in two professional reports to each organization on the prevalence of gambling and problematic gambling within their respective states as well as several invited presentations.
- Further analyses are ongoing with a strong likelihood for at least one scholarly publication.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Professional Organization Memberships

Member	National Council on Problem Gambling Division 50: Society of Addiction Psychology
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QUANTITATIVE METHODS AND OTHER TECHNICAL SKILLS

Quantitative Methods Training:

Fundamental Statistical Models (e.g., ANOVA and Multiple Regression), General and Generalized Linear Models, Multilevel Models for Longitudinal and Repeated Measures Data, Missing Data Analysis, Exploratory/Confirmatory Factor Analyses, Latent Trait Measurement and Structural Equation Models (e.g., Latent Growth Curve Models and Latent Class Analysis).

Statistical Packages: SPSS and Mplus