

Brett King, Ph.D.
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EDUCATION

Ph.D. | General-Experimental Psychology

1990

Department of Psychology | Colorado State University
Dissertation: Methods of enhancing juror memory: Do transcription and questioning facilitate recall of testimony?
Advisor: Wayne Viney, Ph.D.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

1990-1994

Department of Psychology | University of Colorado Boulder
Advisor: Michael Wertheimer, Ph.D.

TEACHING ACTIVITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

Department of Psychology and Neuroscience

PSYC 1001 General Psychology	1992-present
PSYC 2606 Social Psychology (formerly PSYC 4406)	1991-present
PSYC 3456 Psychology of Personality (formerly PSYC 4456)	1992-1995
PSYC 3511 History of Psychology (formerly PSYC 4511)	1990-present
PSYC 4911 Teaching of Psychology	1992-2012

Online and Distance Education, Division of Continuing Education

PSYC 1001 General Psychology (print and online)	1999-present
PSYC 2606 Social Psychology (formerly PSYC 4406; print and online)	1997-present
PSYC 3303 Abnormal Psychology (formerly PSYC 4303; print and online)	1994-present
PSYC 3511 History of Psychology (formerly PSYC 4511; print and online)	2008-present

Residential Academic Program (Farrand RAP)

PSYC 1001 General Psychology	2016-2020
PSYC 2606 Social Psychology	2017-2021

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

Viney, W., King, D. B., & Berndt, J. (1990). Comparative psychology: Declining or thriving? *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, 104 (4), 322-325.

King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1992). Review of *The legacy of Solomon Asch: Essays in cognition and social psychology*, edited by Irvin Rock. *American Journal of Psychology*, 105, 123-130.

King, D. B., & Viney, W. (1992). Modern history of pragmatic and sentimental attitudes toward animals and the selling of comparative psychology. *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, 106 (2), 190-195.

Wertheimer, M., & King, D. B. (1992). A fresh look at what psychologists do. Review of *A science of mind: The quest for psychological reality* by Peter du Preez. *Contemporary Psychology*, 37(5), 411-412.

Wertheimer, M., King, D. B., Peckler, M. A., Raney, S., & Schaef, R. W. (1992). Carl Jung and Max Wertheimer on a priority issue. *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences*, 28, 45-56.

Wertheimer, M., & King, D. B. (1992). History of Division One: General Psychology. *The General Psychologist*, 28(3), 22-29.

King, D. B., Raymond, B. L., & Simon-Thomas, J. (1995). History of sport psychology in cultural magazines of the Victorian era. *The Sport Psychologist*, 9, 376-390.

King, D. B., Golden, G. L., & Wertheimer, M. (1996). The APA in World War II: The work of the APA Committee on Displaced Foreign Psychologists. *The General Psychologist*, 32, 13-18.

Crochetière, K., Vicker, N., Parker, J., King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (2001). Gestalt theory and psychopathology: Some early applications of Gestalt theory to clinical psychology and psychopathology. *Gestalt Theory*, 23, 144-154.

King, D.B., Cox, M. & Wertheimer, M. (2003). Karl Duncker: Productive problems with beautiful solutions. *Gestalt Theory*, 25, 95-110.

King, D.B. (2023). Michael Wertheimer obituary. *Psychonomic Society Newsletter*.

Books

King, D. B., Viney, W., & Woody, W. D. (2016). *A history of psychology: Ideas and context* (5th edition). New York: Routledge. (Pearson published previous editions of the book; an earlier edition was translated into the Chinese language in 2008 and the Korean language in 2011).

King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (2005). *Max Wertheimer and Gestalt theory*. New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers/Rutgers University Press.

Book Chapters

King, D. B. (1992). Evolution and revision of the *Principles of Psychology*. In M. E. Donnelly (Ed.), *Reinterpreting the legacy of William James* (pp. 67-75). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

Viney, W., King, C. L., & King, D. B. (1992). William James on the advantages of a pluralistic psychology. In M. E. Donnelly, (Ed.), *Reinterpreting the legacy of William James* (pp. 91-100). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

King, D. B. (1993). The psychological diaspora: Twentieth-century developments in psychology. In W. Viney, *History of psychology: Ideas and context*, (pp. 431-452). Needham Heights, MA: Allyn and Bacon.

King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1993). The Rocky Mountain Psychological Association. In J. L. Pate (Ed.), *No small part: A history of regional organizations in American psychology*, (pp. 127-150). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

- King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1995). Max Wertheimer at the University of Berlin. In S. Jaeger, M. Staeuble, L. Sprung, & H. P. Brauns. (Eds.), *Psychologie im soziokulturellen Wandel: Kontinuitäten und Diskontinuitäten*, 10, 276-280. Frankfurt am Main, Germany: Peter Lang.
- Wertheimer, M., & King, D. B. (1996). A history of Division 1 (General Psychology). In D. A. Dewsbury (Ed.), *Unification through division: Histories of the divisions of the American Psychological Association* (Vol. 1, pp. 9-40). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- King, D. B., Montañez-Ramírez, L. M., & Wertheimer, M. (1996). Barbara Stoddard Burks: Pioneer behavioral geneticist and humanitarian. In Kimble, G. A., Boneau, C. A., & Wertheimer, M. (Eds.), *Portraits of pioneers in psychology* (Vol. 2, pp. 213-225). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- King, D. B., Cox, M., & Wertheimer, M. (1998). Karl Duncker: Productive problems with beautiful solutions. In Kimble, G. A., & Wertheimer, M. (Eds.), *Portraits of pioneers in psychology* (Vol. 3, pp. 163-180). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- King, D. B. (2000). George Croom Robertson and *Mind*: The story of psychology's first editor. In G. A. Kimble & M. Wertheimer (Eds.), *Portraits of pioneers in psychology* (Vol. 4, p. 33-48). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- King, D. B. (2010). History of psychology. In I. B. Weiner & W. E. Craighead (Eds.), *The Corsini encyclopedia of psychology and behavioral science* (Vol. 2, pp. 1338). Hoboken, New Jersey: Wiley.
- King, D. B., Niess, A. B., Maddi, A. E., & Perkins, L. S. (2013). The rise of abnormal psychology during the progressive era: Reflections from an American scientific periodical. In T. G. Plante (Ed.), *Abnormal psychology across the ages* (pp. 73-86). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO/Greenwood.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentations at Professional Organizations

- Punches, A., Powell, K., & King, D. B. (1986, April). Cameras in the courtroom: Adverse effects on the punitive decision-making process. Paper presented at the meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Denver, CO.
- Viney, W., King, D. B., & King, C. (1986, April). Dorothea Dix's views on etiology and treatment of mental disorders. Paper presented at the meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Denver, CO.
- Viney, W., & King, D. B. (1988, April). Public interest in comparative psychology and its influence on academic psychology. Invited paper for a symposium on "Comparative psychology: Reflections on its history and systems," presented at the joint meeting of the Southwestern Comparative Psychology Association and Southwestern Psychological Association, Tulsa, OK.
- King, D. B. (1989, April). Varieties of retention: William James' contribution to contemporary representations of memory. Paper presented at the joint meeting of the Western Psychological Association and Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Reno, NV.
- King, D. B. (1990, August). Celebrating *The Principles of Psychology*. Invited paper for a Division One symposium on the centennial of William James's *Principles of Psychology*, presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

Viney, W., King, C., & King, D. B. (1990, August). Toward a pluralistic psychology. Invited paper for a Division One symposium on the centennial of William James's *Principles of Psychology*, presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

King, D. B., Bradley, K. L., Dalla, R. L., & Wertheimer, M. (1991, April). Conceptions and misconceptions of "isomorphism": The Max Wertheimer and EG Boring exchange. Invited address presented at the meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Denver, CO.

Broms, M., King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1991, April). The life, work, and legacy of Karl Duncker (1903-1940). Paper presented at the meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Denver, CO.

Wertheimer, M., & King, D. B. (1991, August). A history of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association. Invited paper for a Division 26 symposium on the "History of American Regional Psychological Associations," presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

King, D. B., Bradley, K. L., Dalla, R. L., & Wertheimer, M. (1991, August). Conceptions and misconceptions of "isomorphism": Wertheimer, Köhler, Boring and others. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

King, D. B., Broms, M., & Wertheimer, M. (1991, August). Karl Duncker's variegated contributions and their implications for contemporary psychology. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

King, D. B. (1991, August). Invited Centennial Panel: The Division 1 *Pioneers* book. Discussant at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Wertheimer, M., & King, D. B. (1992, March). Max Wertheimer in America, 1933-1943. Invited address presented at the meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, Knoxville, TN.

Viney, W., Woody, W. D., King, C., & King, D. B. (1992, August). Beliefs in free will and determinism: Experimental approaches. Invited paper for a Division 26 symposium on "Free will and determinism in psychology: Retrospect and prospect," presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

Wertheimer, M., & King, D. B. (1992, August). A history of APA Division One: General Psychology. Invited address presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

Aldridge, J. W., King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1993, April). Behaviorism and Gestalt theory: The correspondence between Clark L. Hull and Max Wertheimer. Paper presented at the meeting of the Western Psychological Association/Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Phoenix, AR.

Golden, G. L., Montañez-Ramirez, L. M., King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1993, August). Humanitarian psychologists: The 1938-1943 Committee on Displaced Foreign Psychologists. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada.

Montañez-Ramirez, L. M., King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1993, August). Barbara Stoddard Burks (1902-1943): Pioneer, behavioral geneticist, and humanitarian. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada.

King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1993, September). Max Wertheimer's career at the University of Berlin. Invited paper for a symposium on "100 years of institutionalized psychology at the University of Berlin" presented at the Fourth Conference on the Special Interest Group on the History of Psychology, *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Psychologie*, Free University of Berlin, Germany.

Wertheimer, M., King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1994, April). Mystery of a missing manuscript: The Luria-Wertheimer correspondence on Vygotskii. Invited address presented at the meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Las Vegas, NV.

Agin, B., Wertheimer, M., & King, D. B. (1994, April). Relation between enrollment in independent study and attitude toward the psychology major. Paper presented at the meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Las Vegas, NV.

Crochetière, K., Vicker, N., Parker, J., King, D. B., & Wertheimer, M. (1995, August). Early applications of Gestalt psychology to clinical psychology and psychopathology. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, New York, NY.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Officer in Professional Organizations

Archivist, Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, 1995-2000

Member, Executive Committee, Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, 1994-2000

Convention Manager, Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, liaison between the executive committee and convention office/hotels for the planning of the 1995 Convention held in Boulder, Colorado

Committee Service in Professional Organizations

American Psychological Association of Graduate Students liaison to the American Psychological Association Task Force on Centennial Celebrations, 1989-1992

Chair, History and Philosophy of Psychology presentations, Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, April 1991 (Denver, CO)

Chair, APA Division 1 presentations, Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, August 1991 (San Francisco), August 1992 (Washington, DC)

Chair, APA Division 26 presentations, Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, August 1991 (San Francisco), August 1992 (Washington, DC)

Co-chair, Program Committee, APA Division 26: History of Psychology, Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, August 1992 (Washington, DC)

Department and Campus Service

PUEC co-chair, Faculty Reappointment Committee, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2022, 2023

Chair, DEI Community Subcommittee, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2021-2023

Member, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2020-present

Member, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Summer Working Group, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2020

Member, Merit and Salary Committee, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2019-2022

Member, Instructor Search Committee (resultant hires of Ryan Curtis and Abby Laman-Maharg), Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2018

Psychology and Neuroscience faculty ambassador, College Day Welcome Fair, University of Colorado Boulder, 2022

Commencement speaker at four winter and spring Psychology and Neuroscience department graduations, University of Colorado Boulder, 2017-2020

Member, Graduation Committee, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2017-2020

Peer reviewer, department assessment of faculty teaching activities, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 2015-2023

Faculty sponsor, *Be Boulder for a Day* and *Explore CU* student recruitment programs, University of Colorado Boulder, 2006-2019

Co-coordinator, National Advanced Placement Psychology Institute, Summer 1991 and Summer 1992, Colorado State University

Faculty advisor, Psi Chi (International Honor Society in Psychology), Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder Chapter, 1991-2018

Faculty advisor, Psychology Club, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado Boulder, 1991-Present

Member, Committee on the History and Philosophy of Science, University of Colorado Boulder, Spring 1993-Spring 1995

Consultation for Educational and Community Organizations

Member consultant, Westminster Advisory Group (WAG) family medicine clinic, University of Colorado Health System, Westminster, CO, 2017-present

Consultant, Enigma Development, builders of innovative and sustainable housing for people in refugee situations, Boulder, CO, 2016

Invited research supervisor and career mentor for secondary and high school students, including Legacy High School, Jefferson Academy Charter School, the Science Research Seminar program at New Vista High School, Clayton Partnership School, 2006-present

Invited textbook reviewer for General Psychology and History of Psychology textbooks from Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, Macmillan, West, Harper Collins, Harcourt Brace, and Norton publishers

Invited reviewer for *PsychInteract*, an interactive educational project from Brown & Benchmark publishers

Chief academic advisor for the *Macmillan Series in Psychology* project

Instructor and educational technology consultant, National Advanced Placement Summer Workshop for High School Psychology Teachers, July 1990, Colorado State University

TEACHING AWARDS AND HONORS

Best Professor Award, *Colorado Daily* Student Choice Awards, 1994

Teaching Award, Department of Psychology, University of Colorado Boulder, 1994, 2005

Teaching Award, Academic Support Assistance Program, University of Colorado Boulder, 1999

Professor of the Year Award, Chi Omega, University of Colorado Boulder, 1992, 1994

Professor of the Year nomination, Student Organization for Alumni Relations (SOAR), University of Colorado Boulder, 1992, 1993, 1994, 2000, 2001

Residence Life Academic Teaching Award, Committee on Learning and Academic Support Services, University of Colorado Boulder, 2002, 2003, 2004

Faculty Recognition Award (presented by Chancellor Richard L. Byyny), University of Colorado Boulder Family Weekend, 2004

Teaching Recognition Award, University of Colorado Boulder Alumni Association Directors' Club and the Herd Student Alumni Association, 2005, 2007, 2009

Grand Marshal and Honored Faculty Professor, University of Colorado Boulder Homecoming, 2007

Marinus Smith Recognition Award, University of Colorado Boulder New Student & Family Programs, 2008, 2021

Excellence in Teaching Award, The National Society of Leadership and Success, 2009, 2010

Award of Excellence, Outstanding Teacher for Technology in Teaching, Arts and Sciences Supportive Education Through Technology (ASSETT), University of Colorado Boulder, 2013

Top 15 Professors at University of Colorado Boulder (ranked #3) based on a survey conducted by OneClass, an independent online educational technology firm, 2018