ADANI B. ABUTTO

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EDUCATION

2023 - present   **Stanford University**
Ph.D. in Psychology
Advisor: Prof. Dr. Hyowon Gweon

2023   **Harvard University**
Visiting Research Scholar (Master's Thesis)
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Elizabeth Bonawitz, Dr. Igor Bascandziev
Thesis: The role of cognitive resources in children's development and deployment of a theory of matter

2021 - 2023   **University of Munich (LMU)**
M.Sc. in Psychology & Learning Sciences

2020 - 2021   **Humboldt University of Berlin**
Visiting Student (Psychology, Cognitive Neuroscience, Philosophy)

2018 - 2021   **Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW)**
B.Sc. in Psychology
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Daniel Süss, Gregor Waller
Thesis: The link between video game play and cognitive, perceptual, and attentional skills

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

2023   EDGE Doctoral Fellowship ($12,800)
Stanford University

2023   ESRC Doctoral Training Studentship ($69,000; declined)
British Economic and Social Research Council

2023   Norman H. Anderson Research Fund Award ($2,000)
Stanford University, Department of Psychology

2022 - 2023   Fellowship & Merit Scholarship ($12,000)
German Academic Scholarship Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes)

2022   Conference Travel Grant ($2,000)
University of Munich

2021   Fulbright Fellowship ($20,000; declined)
U.S. State Department

2020   Study Abroad Scholarship ($4,000)
Swiss-European Mobility Program (SEMP)

ACADEMIC HONORS

2023   'Top Graduate in Psychology' Award
University of Munich, Department of Psychology

2021   Prize and Award for Best Undergraduate Thesis
Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Department of Applied Psychology

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2024   Abutto, A., Bascandziev, I., Walker, C., & Bonawitz, E. (2024, March). *From Possible to Pause-able: Children's hesitancy may mark implicit skepticism of incorrect intuitive beliefs.* Poster to be presented at the meeting of the Cognitive Development Society, Pasadena, CA. [OSF Repository Link]

2024   Bascandziev, I., Abutto, A., Walker, C., & Bonawitz, E. (2024, March). *Mind over matter: Conflict monitoring and science learning.* Poster to be presented at the meeting of the Cognitive Development Society, Pasadena, CA.

2023   Abutto, A. B., Köksal, Ö., & Sodian, B. (2023, January). *Young Children's Experimentation, Data Interpretation, and Justification Abilities.* Poster presented at the 13th annual Budapest CEU Conference on Cognitive Development (BCCCD) meeting, Budapest, Hungary. [OSF Repository Link]

INVITED TALKS

2021   *Media, Interaction, Children, and Parents: Impressions From a Qualitative Follow-Up Survey.* Invited talk: Undergraduate Lecture "Qualitative Methods I," School of Psychology, ZHAW.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2022 - 2023   University of Munich | Lab Manager & Graduate Research Assistant
Research on young children's development in scientific reasoning and theory of mind
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Beate Sodian, Dr. Özgün Köksal

2022 - 2023   University of Munich | Graduate Research Assistant
Computational modelling of human decision-making and social learning
Advisor: Prof. Dr. Christopher Donkin

2022   University of Munich | Research Intern
Research on kindergarteners' exploratory play and executive functioning
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Beate Sodian, Dr. Özgün Köksal

2022   Centre for International Student Assessment (ZIB) | Student Research Assistant
Assistance with the German PISA Study 2024
Advisor: Prof. Dr. Doris Lewalter

2021 - 2022   Technical University of Munich (TUM) | Student Research Assistant
Research on high school students' self-directed learning in a science museum
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Doris Lewalter, Dr. Katrin Neubauer

2021 - 2022   ZHAW | Research Technician
Programming of online studies on the media use of Swiss teens and adults
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Daniel Süss, Gregor Waller

2021   ETH Zurich | Research Intern
Research on elementary schoolers' self-beliefs and math achievement
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Manu Kapur, Dr. Alexander von Bergen

2021   ZHAW | Research Intern
Research on Swiss children's media use and leisure activities
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Daniel Süss, Gregor Waller

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019 - 2020	ZHAW	University Entrance Exam Assistant Test instruction and test evaluation in the aptitude assessment of over 400 prospective undergraduates
2017 - 2018	Daycare Center 'Länggasse Bern'	Childcare Worker Oversight and care of 24 infants and children (ages 1 to 5); facilitation of free play and learning activities
2017	Special Education School of the Thun District	Teaching Assistant Teaching and tutoring of second and third graders in math, reading, writing, sports, and arts

MENTORSHIP

2024 - present	Claudia Lewis, Undergraduate Research Assistant, Stanford University
2023 - present	Emilia Adelene de Jesus, Undergraduate Research Assistant, Stanford University
2023	Viktoria Wiegelmann, Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Munich
2022 - 2023	Tabea Troiano, Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Munich

SERVICE & OUTREACH

2023 - present	Stanford Psychology Podcast	Interviewer and podcast host
2023 - present	Stanford Science Penpals Program	Science penpal for underserved high school students
2023	Stanford Psychology Paths to PhD program	Mentor to PhD applicants
2021 - 2022	Lern-Fair e.V.	Tutor for disadvantaged German middle school students

SKILLS & FURTHER TRAINING

Languages: German / Swiss German (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate)
Programming and data analysis: R / RStudio, SPSS, MAXQDA, Git
Misc research tools: LookIt, Prolific, Qualtrics, jsPsych, HTML & CSS

Workshops and Summer Schools

2023	Computational Cognitive Models of Learning and Development Workshop, Harvard University, U.S.
2022	Computational Cognitive Science Summer School (IICCSSS), University of Tübingen, Germany