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EDUCATION

1984	Ph.D.	Washington University (St. Louis, MO) Psychology
1972	B.A.	Boston University (Boston, MA) Psychology

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2003 – present	Professor , Department of Psychology, University of Texas at El Paso
2003 – present	Adjunct Professor of Health Promotion and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas School of Public Health at Houston
2002-2003	Interim Chair , Department of Psychology University of Texas at El Paso
2001-2002	Visiting Professor , Department of Psychology Leiden University, The Netherlands
1995-2002	Associate Professor , Department of Psychology, University of Texas at El Paso
1989-1995	Assistant Professor , Department of Psychology, University of Texas at El Paso
1987-1989	Visiting Assistant Professor , Department of Psychology, Washington University (St. Louis)
1985-1987	Postdoctoral Fellow , Graduate Program in Health Psychology, Department of Psychiatry, University of California, San Francisco

HONORS

1985-1987	John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Postdoctoral Fellow University of California, San Francisco
1999	Outstanding Faculty Achievement Award College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at El Paso
2002	Nominated, Chancellor's Council Outstanding Teaching Award University of Texas

FUNDED GRANTS

2005-2006	Principal Investigator : Evaluating DWI Interventions that target El Paso Youth. Center for Border Health Research, Paso del Norte Health Foundation. \$74,445.
1999-2000	Principal Investigator : Safety Belt Intervention in Border Communities. Texas Department of Transportation. \$130,160.

- 1998-1999 **Principal Investigator:** A Community-Wide Intervention to Increase Seatbelt Use Among Hispanic Children and Adults Living in a Border Community. Texas Department of Transportation. \$235,502.
- 1998-2002 **Program Director:** Career Opportunities in Research (COR) Training. National Institute of Mental Health, \$445,557.
- 1996-1997 **Principal Investigator:** Development of a Program to Encourage Safety Feature Usage for the Texas Border Communities. Texas Department of Transportation, \$82,059.
- 1990-1993 **Principal Investigator:** Perceived Susceptibility to Harm During Adolescence. National Institute of Mental Health, \$157,741.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ad Hoc Reviewer: Health Psychology; Journal of Adolescent Health;
(since 1995) Journal of Research in Personality; Journal of Personality
Assessment; Journal of Social Behavior and Personality;
Psychological Reports/Perceptual and Motor Skills;
Sex Roles; Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology

External Reviewer Psychology Undergraduate Program
College of Arts and Sciences,
Texas A & M, Corpus Christi, Texas April 2006

Killam Research Fellowship
Canada Council for the Arts
Ottawa, Ontario September 2006

PUBLICATIONS

- Cohn, L.D., & Westenberg P.M.** (2004). Intelligence and Maturity: Meta-analytic Evidence for the Incremental and Discriminant Validity of Loevinger's Measure of Ego Development. Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 86, 760-772.
- Westenberg, P.M., Hauser, S.T. , & **Cohn, L.D.** (2004). Sentence completion measurement of psychosocial maturity. In M. Hilsenroth (Ed) Comprehensive handbook of psychological assessment: Personality Assessment, pp. 595-616. New York: John Wiley & Sons.
- Cohn, L.D. & Becker, B.J.**(2003). How meta-analysis increases statistical power. Psychological Methods, 8, 243-253.
- Cohn, L.D., Hernandez, D., Byrd, T., & Cortes, M.** (2002). A program to increase seatbelt use along the Texas-Mexico border. American Journal of Public Health, 92, 1918-1920.

- Parada, M., **Cohn**, L.D., Gonzalez, E., Byrd, T., & Cortes, M. (2001). The validity of self-reported seatbelt use: Hispanic and non-Hispanic drivers in El Paso. Accident Analysis and Prevention, *33*, 139-143.
- Byrd, T., **Cohn**, L.D., Gonzalez, E., Parada, M., Hernandez, M., & Cortes, M. (1999). Seatbelt use and belief in destiny among Hispanic and non-Hispanic drivers. Accident Analysis & Prevention, *31*, 63-65.
- Cohn**, L.D. (1998). Age trends in personality development: a quantitative review. In P.M. Westenberg, A. Blasi, & L.D. Cohn (Eds.) Personality Development: Theoretical, Empirical, and Clinical Investigations of Loevinger's Conception of Ego Development. New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum.
- Westenberg, P.M., Blasi, A., & **Cohn**, L.D. (1998). Introduction: contributions and controversies. In P.M. Westenberg, A. Blasi, & L.D. Cohn (Eds.), Personality Development: Theoretical, Empirical, and Clinical Investigations of Loevinger's Conception of Ego Development. New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum.
- Loevinger, J., & **Cohn**, L.D. (1998). Revision of the SCT: Creating Form 81. In J. Loevinger (Ed.) Technical Foundations for Measuring Ego Development. New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum.
- Westenberg, P.M., Blasi, A., & **Cohn**, L.D. (Eds.) (1998). Personality Development: Theoretical, Empirical, and Clinical Investigations of Loevinger's Conception of Ego Development. New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum.
- McClure-Martinez, K., & **Cohn**, L.D. (1996). Adolescent and adult mothers' perceptions of hazardous situations for their children. Journal of Adolescent Health, *18*, 227-231.
- Cohn**, L.D., Macfarlane, S., Yañez, C., & Imai, W. K. (1995). Risk perception: differences between adolescents and adults. Health Psychology, *14*, 217-222.
- Cohn**, L.D., Schydlower, M., Foley, J., & Copeland, R. (1995). Adolescents' misinterpretation of health risk probability expressions. Pediatrics, *95*, 713-716.
- Cohn**, L.D., & Adler, N.E. (1992). Female and male perceptions of ideal body shapes: Distorted views among Caucasian college students. Psychology of Women Quarterly, *16*, 69-79.
- Millstein, S.M., Irwin, C.E., Adler, N.E., **Cohn**, L.D., Kegeles, S., & Dolcini, M. (1992). Health risk behaviors and health concerns among adolescents. Pediatrics, *3*, 422-428.
- Cohn**, L.D. (1991). Sex differences in the course of personality development: A meta-analysis. Psychological Bulletin, *109*, 252-266.
- Dolcini, M.M., **Cohn**, L.D., Adler, N.E., Millstein, S.M., Irwin, C.E., Kegeles, S.M., & Stone, G. (1989). Adolescent egocentrism and feelings of invulnerability: Are they related? Journal of Early Adolescence, *9*, 409-418.
- Cohn**, L.D., Millstein, S.M., Irwin, C.E., Adler, N.E., Kegeles, S.M., & Stone, G. (1988). A comparison of two measures of egocentrism. Journal of Personality Assessment, *52*, 212-22.
- Cohn**, L.D., Adler, N.E., Irwin, C.E., Millstein, S.M., Kegeles, S.M., & Stone, G. (1987). Body figure preferences in adolescent males and females. Journal of Abnormal Psychology, *96*, 270-276.
- Loevinger, J., **Cohn**, L.D., Bonneville, L., Redmore, C., Streich, D., & Sargent, M. (1985). Ego development in college. Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, *48*, 947-962.

PRESENTATIONS

- Cohn, L.**, Adler, N.E., Irwin, C.E., Millstein, S.M., Kegeles, S. K., & Stone, G. Body figure dissatisfaction in adolescents. Society for Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA, 1986.
- Dolcini, P., **Cohn, L.D.**, Adler, N.E., Irwin, C.E., Kegeles, S.M., Millstein, S., & Stone, G. Adolescent egocentrism and risk perception in young adolescents. Society for Adolescent Medicine, Seattle, WA, March 1987.
- Irwin, C.E., Millstein, S.M., Adler, N.E., Kegeles, S.M., **Cohn, L.D.**, & Turner, R. Predictors of risk-taking behaviors in early adolescents. Society for Pediatric Research, Washington, DC, May 1988.
- Cohn, L.D.**, Macfarlane, S., & Yañez, C. Unrealistic Optimism in Children and Adolescents. American Psychological Association, San Francisco, August 1991.
- Cohn, L.D.**, Macfarlane, S., Yañez, C., & Imai, W. Perceived Susceptibility to Harm Among Adolescents and Adults. American Psychological Association, Washington, DC, August 1992.
- Cohn, L.D.**, Macfarlane, S., Yañez, C., Imai, W., & Próspero, M. Adolescents' Misperceptions of Probability Expressions. Findings presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Psychological Society, Chicago, June 1993.
- Cohn, L.D.**, Yañez, C., Macfarlane, S., & Imai, W. Unrealistic Optimism Among Adolescents and Their Parents. American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada, August 1993.
- Cohn, L.D.**, & Yañez, C. Severity of Health Threats and Unrealistic Optimism. Biennial Meetings of the Society for Research on Adolescence. Boston, March 1996.
- Cohn, L.D.** Age Trends in Personality Development: A Quantitative Review. Annual Meetings of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada, August 1996.
- Cohn, L.D.**, Parada, M., & Gonzalez, E. Development of a Program to Encourage Safety Feature Usage for the Texas Border Communities. Research Management Committee Meetings/Texas Department of Transportation, Arlington, Texas, June 1997.
- Cohn, L.**, Próspero, M., Revilla, V., & Alvarez, A. Quantifying Health Risk Probability Terms in Spanish and English. Second Biennial Conference on Minority Issues in Prevention. Tempe, AZ, February 1998.
- Gonzalez, E., **Cohn, L.**, Byrd, T., Parada, M., Hernandez, M., & Cortes, M. Seatbelt Use and Belief in Destiny Among Hispanic and non-Hispanic Drivers. Second Biennial Conference on Minority Issues in Prevention, Tempe, AZ, February 1998.
- Cohn, L.D.** Ego Development and Adolescent Health Behaviors: A Proposed Link. Society for Research on Adolescence, San Diego, CA, February 1998.
- Cohn, L.D.** Symposium discussant: "What Ego Development Is and Is Not." Washington University, St. Louis, MO, March 1998.
- Cohn, L.D.** Presenter, Workshop on Adolescent Decision Making, National Research Council, Washington, D.C. January 1998.
- Parada, M., **Cohn, L.D.**, Gonzales, E., Byrd, T., & Cortes, M. The validity of self-reported seat belt use: Hispanic and non-Hispanic drivers. Annual Meetings of the American Public Health Association, Chicago, November 1999.

- Cohn, L.D., & Westenberg, P.M.** The relationship between ego development and intelligence: a meta-analysis. Society for Research on Child Development, 2003 Biennial Meetings, April 24-27, Tampa, Florida.
- Cohn, L.D.** The relationship between intelligence, health behaviors, and Loevinger's measure of maturity (ego development). Society for Research on Adolescence, Tenth Biennial Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, March 11-14, 2004.
- Cohn, L.D.** Intoxication, Maturity and DWI Prevention: Bridging Basic and Applied Research. Department of Health Promotion, College of Health Sciences. University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, TX . October 2005.
- Cohn, L.D., Witt, K., Carrillo, K., Barraza, A., Valenzuela, Y, & Jones, D.** Evaluating DWI Interventions that Target El Paso Youth. Center for Border Health Research, El Paso, TX, October 25 2006.
- Cohn, L.D.** Evaluating DWI Interventions that Target High Risk Youth. Interdisciplinary Health Forum, University of Texas at El Paso, November 13, 2006.
- Lee, H.S., & **Cohn, L.D.** Assessing Language use and coping strategies in depressed and non-depressed college students. Third Annual Conference on Emerging Adulthood, Tucson, AZ, February 15 - 16, 2007.
- Cohn, L.D.** Invited presentation: Meta-analysis. Third Annual Short Course on Epidemiology and Biostatistics for OB/GYN Researchers. Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso. March 23, 2007.
- Witt, K, Carrillo, K., & **Cohn L.** Do college students underestimate their drinking and driving? 2007 Annual Meetings of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, Washington, D.C., March 21- 24, 2007.
- Cohn, L.D.** The impact of psychological maturity on adolescent risk taking. Invited talk: Expert Meetings: Risks and opportunities in adolescent brain development. Leiden University, Netherlands, May 28- 29, 2007.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (Since 1994)

Seminar in Meta-Analysis (PSYC 4343, PSYC 5335)

Introduction to Psychology (PSYC 1301)

Life Cycle Development (PSYC 2310)

Graduate Seminar in Developmental Psychology (PSYC 5324)

Public Health and Community Interventions (PSYC 5352)

Graduate ProSeminar II (Psych 5405)

Research Applications (PSYC 5301)