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Academic, Consulting, and Other Experience

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1968 Consultant, Social Sciences Program,
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1966-1970 Assistant Professor, Swarthmore College
1965-1966 USPHS Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Zoology,
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1962-1966 USPHS Predoctoral Fellow, Department of Psychology
Berkeley
1961 Summer Research Associate, Wisconsin Primate Laboratories,
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin

Sabbatical Appointments

2004-2005 Visitor, Department of Anthropology, University of New Mexico,
Albuquerque, NM
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- 1998-1999 Visiting Scholar, Program in Organismic and Evolutionary Biology,
University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts
- 1991-1992 Visiting Scholar, Department of Psychology
University California, Berkeley
- 1983 Fall Visiting Scholar, Subdepartment of Animal Behavior,
Madingley, England
- 1976-1977 Research Associate, Department of Psychology
Bristol University, Bristol, England

Publications for Academic Audiences

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- Strout, S., Sokol, R. I., Thompson N. S., & Laird, J. (submitted). Towards a New Realist evolutionary psychology: The evolutionary psychology of perceiving one's own Emotions. *Behavior and Philosophy*.
- Thompson, N. S., & Sokol, R. I. (in press). Cashed, Carried, or Crèched? Commentary in *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*.
- Thompson, N. S., Sokol, R. I., & Owings, D. (in press). Shouldn't mother know best? Commentary in *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*.
- Thompson, N.S., & Valsiner, J. (in press). Doesn't a dance require dancers? Commentary in *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*.
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Thompson, N.S. (1969, April). *The social significance of animal studies*. An EPA. Symposium (Marler, Rosenblatt, Mason, Jaynes, W.R. Thompson and Rosenblum), Philadelphia, PA. [Chairman].

Thompson, N.S. (1969, December). *Caws and affect in the communication of common crows*. Paper delivered at the Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Boston, Mass.

Thompson, N.S. (1972, May). Chairman, Central New England Regional Meeting of Researchers Interested in Animal Behavior.

Thompson, N.S. (1973a). *A teleonomic approach to ethology*. AIBS Meetings, Amherst, Mass., June.

Thompson, N.S. (1973b, August). *Some principles of behavioral evolution*. Paper delivered to discussion session, International Ethological Congress, Washington, DC.

Thompson, N.S. (1975a, August). *The language of crows revisited, or What the two corbies really said to one another*. Paper presented at the XIVth International Ethological Congress, Parma, Italy.

Thompson, N.S. (1975b, October). *The neck band of the blue jay: A natural individual marker?* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Bird-Banding Association, Inc., Massachusetts Audubon Sanctuary, Lincoln, MA

Thompson, N.S. (1979, August). *Corvid Sociobiology*. Round table convened at the XVIth International Ethological Conference, Vancouver, Canada.

Bakker, A., Withrow, K., and Thompson, N.S. (1980a, November). *The flight song of the bobolink*. Paper presented at the Meeting of the Northeast Regional Conference of the Animal Behavior Society. Binghamton, NY.

Racine, R.N. and Thompson, N.S. (1980b, November). *How are blue jays socially organized in the winter?* Paper presented at the meeting of the Northeast Regional Conference of the Animal Behavior Society. Binghamton, NY.

Mitchell, R. and Thompson, N.S. (1983a, April 7). *Iay systems: An aspect of dog-human relations*. Paper presented at the 59th Annual Meeting of the Central States Anthropology Society, as part of a Symposium on explorations in systems thinking.

- Thompson, N.S. (1983b, April 1). *Chunking the song stream: A proposal for a universal system of bird song units*. Invited lecture, University of Connecticut.
- Thompson, N.S. (1984). *Deception and the concept of behavioral design*. Paper presented at the spring meeting of Population Biologists of New England, Amherst, Mass.
- Thompson, N.S. (1985a). *A proposal for a universal system of bird song units*. Paper presented at the International Ethological Congress, Toulouse, France.
- Thompson, N.S. (1985b). *L'ethology est morte*. Invited commentary, session on ethology and theory. International Ethological Congress, Toulouse, France.
- Thompson, N.S. (1986, November). *Pavlov and Purpose*. Invited presentation, Symposium on evolution, intelligence, and mind in adaptive systems, Haverford, Penn.
- Thompson, N. S. (1987). *Sommerhoff's directive correlation and the concept of natural design*. 20th International Ethological Congress, Madison, WI.
- Thompson, N.S. & Mitchell, R. (1988, June). *The emperor's new clothes?* Symposium on Anthropomorphism, anecdotes, and animals. Animal Behavior Society Meetings.
- Thompson, N.S. (1992, May). *Communication and natural design*. Animal Behavior Seminar, University of California, Davis, CA.
- Thompson, N.S. (1992, June). *Natural design and communication*. Annual Meeting of the Animal Behavioral Society, Kingston, Ontario.
- Thompson, N.S. (1992, December). *Natural designs: An evolutionary autobiography*. Frances L. Hiatt Evening Lecture Series, Clark University,.
- Thompson, N.S. (1993, August 4-8). *Is sociobiology a degenerate Darwinism?* Annual Meetings of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Binghamton, NY.
- Thompson, N.S. (1993, August 4-8). *The good news is that attributing mental states to animals is no more crazy than attributing them to humans*. Symposium on Animal Mentality. Annual Meetings of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Binghamton, NY.
- Thompson, N.S. (1994, July 23-30). *Validating computer methods in birdsong analysis*. Annual Meeting of the Animal Behavior Society, Seattle, WA.
- Wapner, Jessica and N.S. Thompson (1994, October). *Rules of composition in mockingbird nightsong*. Northeast Regional Meetings of the Animal Behavior Society, Durham, NH.
- Dessureau, B., Olson, C. and Thompson, N.S. (1995, July 12-16). *Human cries as distress signals*. Talk presented at joint meetings of the British Association for the Study of Animal Behavior and the Dutch Animal Behavior Society in Leiden, Holland.

- Thompson, N.S., Dessureau, B. and Olson, C. (1995, November 10-12). *Infant cries as evolutionary melodrama: Extortion or deception?* Paper presented at the Northeast Regional Animal Behavior Meeting, Smith College, Northampton, MA.
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- Thompson, N. S. (1996, August 3-8). *Babies cries: Who's listening? Who's being fooled?* Annual Meetings of the Animal Behavior Society, Northern Arizona University, , 1996.
- Thompson, N. S. (1997, June). *The intentionality of biological systems*. Annual Meetings of the Animal Behavior Society, College Park, MD.
- Thompson, N. S. (1998, February). *Intentionality is the mark of the mental*. Invited presentation before the Fifth Biannual Symposium on the Science of Behavior, Guadalajara.
- Thompson, N.S. (1999, November). *Evolutionary psychology, group selection, and the problem of good and evil*. Lecture delivered at Rhode Island College, Providence RI.
- Soltys, J., Thompson, K., Brown, H., Thompson, N.S., & Pietrzak, R.H. (2000). *Do infant cries simulate respiratory distress?* [Abstract]. 2000 Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Amherst College, MA.
- Pietrzak, R.H., Laird, J.D., Stevens, D.A., & Thompson, N.S. (2001). *Sex differences in human jealousy: An experimental evaluation of the module notion* [Abstract]. 2001 Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, University College London, England.
- Thompson, N. S. (2000, June 8) *The evolution of emergent group properties*. Presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Amherst College, Amherst, MA.
- Thompson, N.S. (2002, August) *Group selection and the revival of comparative ethology*. The International Society for Human Ethology, Montreal, Canada.
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Editorial Consultant

(2001) Fitzgerald Science Press, Inc. Review of a textbook on evolutionary psychology.

(2001) *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*. Review of *Behavior and the General Evolutionary Process*, by William M. Baum

Miscellaneous

Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Department of Psychology, 1972-1974, 1978-1979, 1991-Present, Chair, 1996-1999.

Acting Chair, Peace Studies, 1990-91

Invited participant, International Ethological Conference, 1969, 1971, 1973, 1979, 1985.

Organizer, Regional Colloquia in Animal Behavior, 1972, 1976.

Member, Undergraduate Planning Group, Department of Biology, 1979.

Co-organizer, Regional Seminar in Animal Behavior, 1979.

Coordinator, *International Corvid Newsletter*, 1980-1983.

Organizer, "High Table," Clark University, 1984, 1985.

Participant, University Planning and Development Committee, Clark University, 1985.

Participant, Philosophy Department Colloquia, 1984, 1985.

Member, University Technology Committee, 2000- Present

Courses Taught

Biological Determinism and Behavior

Laboratory in Ethology

Research in Animal Behavior

Principles of Behavioral Evolution I: Fundamentals

Principles of Behavioral Evolution II: Applications

Seminar in Behavior and Evolution

Adaptation

Pursuit of Inquiry (a verbal expression course)

Seminar on Levels of Analysis (with James D. Laird)

Mind in Evolution

The Paradox of Animal Sociality

Seminar on the Emotions (with Laird and de Rivera)

Seminar on Social Evolution

Animal Mind/ Human Instinct

Laboratory in General Psychology

Seminar in Evolutionary Psychology

Laboratory in Natural Sounds

Research in Bio Acoustics

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