

**LAB MEETING:  
RESEARCH TOPICS ON  
HUMAN NATURE AND  
SOCIAL NETWORKS**  
Thursdays 12:30-2:00 pm



**Fall 2024 and Spring 2025**

- September 16** Nicholas Christakis, MD, PhD, MPH, Yale University Human Nature Lab: “The Coming Year in the Human Nature Lab”
- September 26** Francesco Beghini, PhD, Yale University Human Nature Lab: “Social Networks and Transmission of Bacterial Components”
- October 3** Diego F. Leal, PhD, University of Arizona: “Leveraging Agent-Based Simulations: Diffusion as Bridging of Cultural Holes along Bright Symbolic Boundaries & the NicoTeen Project”
- October 10** Johan Ugander, PhD, Stanford University: “Comparing Social Network Diffusions and Interventions”
- November 7** Vaibhav Krishna, PhD, Yale University Human Nature Lab: “Dissemination of Competing Information in Online Social Networks”
- November 14** Vahid Satarifard, PhD, Yale University Human Nature Lab: “Human Social Chemosignaling”
- November 21** Ana Lucia Rodriguez de la Rosa, Yale University Human Nature Lab: “Village Size and Health Knowledge Uptake in Rural 175 Honduran Villages” and “Forgetting Friends and Foes: Correlates of Participant Error in Name Generators”
- December 5** Ana Karina Raygoza Cortez, MD, MPH, Yale University Human Nature Lab: “The influence of Friends and Family Social Networks on Wife-Beating Beliefs in Rural Honduras”
- January 23** Nikolaos Nakis, PhD, Yale University Human Nature Lab: “Modeling Trade-Offs and Archetypal Structures in Multiplex Networks”
- January 30** Jen Dannals, PhD, Yale University School of Management: “Centrality and the Biased Perception of Descriptive Social Norms”

- February 6** Amir Ghasemian, PhD, University of Pennsylvania, "A Network of Warring States: Antagonism and the Emergence of Stability in Medieval Japan"
- February 13** Qixiang Xu, Yale University Department of Statistics: "Weighting Estimators for Causal Inference under Network Interference"
- February 20** Student Presentations: Ashley Oaks: "Statistical Methods for Collecting Cognitive Social Structure Network Data, and Unbiased Avatars"  
Zeyu Zhu: "Predicting Decision Time-Based Cooperativeness"
- February 27** Social Networks in Honduras by HNL members:  
Marne Decker and Ramya Reddy: "Human Flourishing in Rural Honduras: A Social Network Approach"  
Ramya Reddy and Yuki Pang: "Social Networks, Microbiome and Mental Health in Rural Honduras"  
Marne Decker: "The Village Determinants of Health in Rural Honduras"
- March 6** Ramina Sotoudeh, PhD, Yale University Department of Sociology: "Prenatal Selection: A Sibling-Based Approach for Assessing the Social and Ecological Drivers of Who Survives to Birth"
- March 27** Luke Glowacki, PhD, Boston University: "Coalitions, Conflict, and Large-Scale Cooperation among the Small-scale Societies of the Omo Valley, Ethiopia"
- April 3** Joel Mainland, PhD, Monell Chemical Sciences Center: "Digitizing Olfaction: Predicting Odor Perception from Molecular Structure"
- April 10** Student Presentations: Elisa Park: "Examining Suicide Contagion among Sexual Minority Youth with Social Network Data"  
Ashley Oaks: "Statistical Methods for Collecting Cognitive Social Structure Network Data: A Preliminary Bayesian Approach to Accessing Respondent Reliability and Estimating True Network Structure"
- April 17** HNL Saber Team Member Presentations:  
Ana Karina Raygoza Cortez: "The Unintended effect of Health Interventions on Social Ties of Older Adults"  
Wynne Williams-Ceci: "Intellectual Humility: Religious Identity, Cultural Norms, and Health Knowledge"  
Bianka Valentin: "Community Engagement with Health Data: Socialization and Dissemination Strategy of Social Networks and Microbiome Research in Rural Honduras"
- May 1** Vahid Satarifard, PhD, Yale University Human Nature Lab: "Human Social Chemosignaling"