# **Matthew James Bolton**

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# **Curriculum Vitae Updated 5/14/2017**

## **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology
Minor in Multimedia Management
Saint Leo University, Saint Leo, FL
GPA: 3.87 (as of May 1, 2017)

Expected May 2019

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Associate in Arts Graduated December 2015

Pasco-Hernando State College, Brooksville, FL GPA:

3.2

## PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

How The Weatherworks	August 2010-present
Florida Museum of Photographic Arts	September 2014 - February 2015
Hernando County Office of Emergency Management	February 2012 - June 2014
Foot's Forecast	October 2010 - July 2013

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Southeastern Psychological Association (SEPA) Annual Meeting Future	2017
Horizons Autism Conference, Tampa, FL	2016
University of Oklahoma Weather Lab Radar Webinar	2016
Educational Services Center of Central Ohio Autism Internet Modules	2016
National Weather Service IDSS Webinar	2016
National Weather Association Annual Meetings	2011, 2013-2016
American Meteorological Society Warnings/Communication Conference	2015
American Meteorological Society Broadcasters' Conference	2015
American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting	2014
American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting	2013
FEMA Emergency Management Institute Courses (ICS-100, 200, 700)	2012
Howard University NCAS/CAREERS High School Weather Camp	2011
NC A&T NCAS High School Weather Camp	2010
Jackson State University NCAS High School Weather Camp	2009, 2010
National Weather Service Tampa Bay Job Shadow	2009, 2012
BayNews9 TV Station Job Shadow	2009
COMET Educational Weather Modules	2008

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Psi Chi, International Honor Society for Psychology	January 2017- present
Southeastern Psychological Association (SEPA)	October 2016-present
Saint Leo University Psi Chi Local Chapter	October 2016-present

American Meteorological Society (AMS)	2014
National Weather Association (NWA)	2011-present
West Central Florida Chapter, AMS	2008-present

## AWARDS AND HONORS

Psi Chi Regional Research Award (Southeast)	March 2017
First Place Oral Presentation, Undergraduate Research Program, SEPA	March 2017
Best NWA Annual Meeting Oral Presentation by an Undergraduate	October 2015
Dr. Dewey Stowers Merit Scholarship for Excellence in Meteorology	April 2013
Local Chapter of the Year, West Central Florida AMS (while serving as	2012
Recording Secretary)	

## RESEARCH INTERESTS AND EXPERIENCE

Autism Spectrum Conditions (ASC), Learning-Affecting Conditions and related Individual Differences, Cognition (memory, language development/impairment, decision-making, social cognition), Perception (of the self, visual, sensory) Empathizing-Systemizing Theory of ASC, Theory of Mind, Integrated Weather-Society Social Science, Interpersonal Social Dynamics, Color Vision Differences, Tropical Cyclones

## MAJOR COLLABORATORS

Lara Ault, PhD	Saint Leo University
H. Michael Mogil, CCM, CBM, DMS	How The Weatherworks
Greg Blumberg	University of Oklahoma
Simon Baron-Cohen, PhD	University of Cambridge

Research Intern (from high school), How The

Weatherworks

August 2010-present

• Leading project to determine trends in global tropical cyclone frequency.

Student Researcher, Saint Leo University December 2016-present

 Leading project to examine cognitive processes and mental health in physical scientists.

Student Researcher, Saint Leo University October 2016-present

• Leading project to examine autistic weather knowledge and perceptions.

Student Researcher, Saint Leo University

August 2016 - March 2017

 Conducted study to determine college student social perceptions of autistics.
 Undergraduate thesis.

Student Researcher, Saint Leo University

May-September 2016

 Conducted case study examining the development of color-blind-friendly color tables for use in meteorological data displays.

Student, Pasco-Hernando State College

June-December 2015

 Lead project to advocate awareness of learning-affecting conditions among meteorologists.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Faculty Member / Co-Instructor, The Learningworks Foundation, Inc.

- Southwest Florida Middle School Weather Camp: 2013, 2014, 2016, anticipated summer 2017
- Southwest Florida High School Weather Camp: anticipated summer 2017

### STUDENTS MENTORED

Garrett Harvey: middle/high school student; May 2017-present

2016 weather camp alumnus

Jake Taylor: middle/high school student; August 2014-present

2014 weather camp alumnus

Nico Sapienza: middle/high school student; 2014 August 2014-present

weather camp alumnus

William Opyrchal: high school student 2015
Grant Wise: high school / college student 2015

#### INVITED TALKS

CEPO/Psi Chi Undergraduate Oral Presentation Session,	March 2017
SEPA Annual Meeting	
NWA Professional Development Mentoring Webinar	January 2017
South Tampa, FL YMCA Weather Program	June 2016
The Weather Junkies (weekly weather podcast)	May 2016
National Weather Service IDSS Webinar	January 2016
West Central FL AMS Chapter	November 2015

Franklin Boys Preparatory School (Tampa, FL)	November 2015
University of Florida AMS Chapter	April 2015
Moderator for Book-signing Event / Author Q&A	March 2015
(Vanessa LaFaye, Under A Dark Summer Sky)	
Home Circle of Hernando Home School (Hernando County, FL)	2012-2015
Tomlin Middle School (Tampa, FL)	September 2014
WeatherBrains (weekly internet weather show)	May 2014
Cape Canaveral AMS Chapter	February 2014
American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting (for high school research)	December 2013
Barometer Bob Show (now-off-air weekly internet weather show)	March 2011

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- **Bolton, M. J.,** Baron-Cohen, S., & Ault, L. K. (2017, September). *An exploratory analysis of cognitive processing and mental health tendencies in physical scientists*. Accepted for poster presentation at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Garden Grove, CA.
- **Bolton, M. J.,** Mogil, H. M., Blumberg, W. G., & Ault, L. K. (2017, September). *Exploring differences in weather knowledge and perceptions in autistic and non-autistic individuals*. Accepted for poster presentation at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Garden Grove, CA.
- **Bolton, M. J.,** Blumberg, & Mogil, H. M. (2017, September). *An analysis of potential problems and solutions in weather communication with autistic individuals*. Accepted for poster presentation at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Garden Grove, CA.
- **Bolton, M. J.,** Blumberg, & Mogil, H. M. (2017, July). *An analysis of potential problems and solutions in weather communication with autistic individuals*. Accepted talk to be presented at the American Meteorological Society's 4th Conference on Weather Warnings and Communication, Kansas City, MO.
- **Bolton, M. J.**, & Ault, L. K. (2017, March). The relationship between familiarity with ASD and disclosure of diagnosis. Accepted poster which was then invited to be presented in oral format at the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, Atlanta, GA. Awarded First Place in the CEPO/Psi Chi Undergraduate Research Program Oral Session, and winner of a Psi Chi Regional Research Award.
- **Bolton, M. J.**, Wise, G., & Blumberg, W. G. (2016, October). *Color blindness in the weather enterprise: Discussion and a look at solutions*. Accepted poster presented at the 41st Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Norfolk, VA. Abstract retrieved from <a href="http://nwas.org/meetings/nwas16/abstracts-html/Multifarious/2016-2806">http://nwas.org/meetings/nwas16/abstracts-html/Multifarious/2016-2806</a> oral Bolton abstract.html.

- **Bolton, M. J.**, Wise, G., & Blumberg, W. G. (2016, June). *Color blindness in the weather enterprise: Discussion and a look at solutions*. Accepted talk presented at the 44th Conference on Broadcast Meteorology of the American Meteorological Society, Austin, TX. Abstract retrieved from <a href="https://ams.confex.com/ams/44Broadcast/webprogram/Paper295309.html">https://ams.confex.com/ams/44Broadcast/webprogram/Paper295309.html</a>.
- **Bolton, M. J.,** & Mogil, H. M. (2016, April). *Tropical storms and hurricanes: Thinking inside the eye wall*. Accepted talk presented at the National Tropical Weather Conference, South Padre Island, TX.
- **Bolton, M. J.** & Blumberg, W. G. (2015, October). *Learning disorders in the meteorological community: Implications for communication and education*. Accepted talk presented at the 40th Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Oklahoma City, OK. Abstract retrieved from <a href="http://nwas.org/meetings/nwas15/abstracts-html/2481.html">http://nwas.org/meetings/nwas15/abstracts-html/2481.html</a>, *Awarded prize for Best Annual Meeting Oral Presentation by an Undergraduate*.
- **Bolton, M. J.**, & Mogil, H. M. (2015, June). *A global analysis of tropical cyclone data/statistics*. Accepted talk presented at the 3rd Conference on Weather Warnings and Communication of the American Meteorological Society, Raleigh, NC. Abstract retrieved from <a href="https://ams.confex.com/ams/43BC3WxWarn/webprogram/Paper273198.html">https://ams.confex.com/ams/43BC3WxWarn/webprogram/Paper273198.html</a>.
- Mogil, H. M., **Bolton, M. J.**, & Smith, T. E. (2014, October). *Potential links between global and regional tropical cyclone trends and "climate change"*. Accepted poster and talk presented at the 39th Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Salt Lake City, UT. Abstract retrieved from <a href="http://www.nwas.org/meetings/abstracts/display.php?id=2209">http://www.nwas.org/meetings/abstracts/display.php?id=2209</a>.
- Mogil, H. M., Dewey, K. F., & **Bolton, M. J.** (2014, February). *Lots of ways to really LEARN about weather*. Accepted poster and talk presented at the 94th Annual Meeting of the American Meteorological Society, Atlanta, GA. Abstract retrieved from <a href="https://ams.confex.com/ams/94Annual/webprogram/Paper236766.html">https://ams.confex.com/ams/94Annual/webprogram/Paper236766.html</a>.
- **Bolton, M. J.**, & Mogil, H. M. (2014, February). *An updated look at tropical cyclone data/statistics from a global perspective*. Accepted talk presented at the 94th Annual Meeting of the American Meteorological Society, Atlanta, GA. Abstract retrieved from <a href="https://ams.confex.com/ams/94Annual/webprogram/Paper236774.html">https://ams.confex.com/ams/94Annual/webprogram/Paper236774.html</a>.
- Bolton, M. J. (2013, December). Trends in tropical cyclone data; implications in the climate change debate. Invited poster presented at the 46th Annual Fall Meeting of the American Geophysical Union, San Francisco, CA. Abstract retrieved from <a href="http://abstractsearch.agu.org/meetings/2013/FM/ED41A-0695.html">http://abstractsearch.agu.org/meetings/2013/FM/ED41A-0695.html</a>. (asked to present my previous high school research as part of the Bright Stars program)

- Mogil, H. M., Dewey, K. F., & **Bolton, M. J.** (2013, October). *Lots of ways to really LEARN about weather*. Accepted poster presented at the 38th Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Charleston, SC, Atlanta, GA.
- **Bolton, M. J.**, & Mogil, H. M. (2013, October). *An updated look at tropical cyclone numbers from a global perspective*. Accepted talk presented at the 38th Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Charleston, SC. Abstract retrieved from <a href="http://nwas.org/meetings/abstracts/display.php?id=1844">http://nwas.org/meetings/abstracts/display.php?id=1844</a>.
- **Bolton, M. J.**, & Mogil, H. M. (2011, October). *Does global cyclone data support the "global warming" theory?* Accepted poster presented at the 36th Annual Meeting of the National Weather Association, Birmingham, AL. (as a high school junior)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- **Bolton, M. J.**, Baron-Cohen, S., & Ault, L. K. An exploratory analysis of cognitive processing and mental health tendencies in physical scientists. In preparation.
- **Bolton, M. J.**, & Ault, L. K. The relationship between familiarity with autism spectrum conditions, disclosure of diagnosis, and social responses to autistic individuals. Undergraduate thesis. In preparation.
- **Bolton, M. J.** (2017). Social impairments in autism spectrum condition: A brief overview for meteorologists. *Monthly Newsletter of the National Weather Association*, 17(4), 7. (Editorially Reviewed) Retrieved from
- https://member.nwas.org/sites/default/files/nwa pubs/NWA%20Newsletter April%202017.pdf
- **Bolton, M. J.**, Blumberg, W. G., & Mogil, H. M. (2017). An analysis of the characteristics of autism spectrum conditions for application to weather communication methods in the weather enterprise. *Open Science Framework/PsyArXiv*. doi:10.17605/OSF.IO/TNA3X Retrieved from osf.io/52nqd
- **Bolton, M. J.** (2016). Diversity University: April is autism awareness/acceptance month! *Monthly Newsletter of the National Weather Association*, 16(4), 7. (Editorially Reviewed) Retrieved from

  <a href="https://member.nwas.org/sites/default/files/nwa\_pubs/April2016NWANewsletterSaturday.pdf">https://member.nwas.org/sites/default/files/nwa\_pubs/April2016NWANewsletterSaturday.pdf</a>
- Roache, D., Collins, J. M., Mazza, C., & **Bolton, M**. (2012). Rainfall and severe weather influences in Pinellas County, Florida. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society* (Chapter Channel section), *93*(5), 603-605. (Editorially Reviewed) (*Published as a high school senior*)
  - **WEB Guest Blog and Other Features**

- **Bolton, M. J.**, Blumberg, W. G., & Mogil, H. M. (2017, May). An analysis of the characteristics of autism spectrum conditions for application to weather communication methods in the weather enterprise (abridged excerpt). Retrieved from <a href="https://thewxsocial.com/2017/05/08/an-analysis-of-the-characteristics-of-autismspectrum-conditions-for-application-to-weather-communication-methods-in-the-weatherenterprise/">https://thewxsocial.com/2017/05/08/an-analysis-of-the-characteristics-of-autismspectrum-conditions-for-application-to-weather-communication-methods-in-the-weatherenterprise/</a>
- **Bolton, M. J.** (2016, January 31). Learning disorders in the meteorological community: Implications for communication and education (abridged, guest post). Retrieved from <a href="http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learning-blog/?p=749">http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learning-blog/?p=749</a>
- **Bolton, M. J.** (2015, July 15). Everyone is a mentor: My thoughts on student mentoring (guest post). Retrieved from <a href="http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learning-blog/?p=745">http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learning-blog/?p=745</a>
- **Bolton, M. J.** (2015, April 13). A college student's perspective concerning the autism spectrum, part II (guest post). Retrieved from <a href="http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learningblog/?p=565">http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learningblog/?p=565</a>
- **Bolton, M. J.** (2015, January 23). A college student's perspective concerning the autism spectrum (guest post). Retrieved from <a href="http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learningblog/?p=735">http://www.weatherworks.com/lifelong-learningblog/?p=735</a>

## **OUOTED**

**Shepherd, M.** (2016, August 14). The psychology of dealing with unprecedented events like the Louisiana floods. Retrieved from

http://www.forbes.com/sites/marshallshepherd/2016/08/14/the-psychology-of-dealingwith-unprecedented-events-like-the-louisiana-floods/#172669485269

#### CODE DEVELOPED AND MANAGED

*ColorBlindNARRreader* 

Written in: Python

June 2015-present

• Further developed a program originally written by Greg Blumberg (University of Oklahoma / Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorology Studies). This program reads data from the North American Regional Reanalysis (NARR) database to create basic meteorological data plots. Enhanced to be color-blind-accessible. This includes creating and configuring custom color maps which can be more easily interpreted by users with color vision deficiency. Open source; available via GitHub. https://github.com/mbolton4211/ColorBlindNARRreader

## WEBSITES DESIGNED, DEVELOPED, AND MAINTAINED

WAS\*IS (Weather and Society Integrated Studies) Students

October 2016-present

- Designed and maintain group website.
- wasisstudents.weebly.com

Global Weather and Climate Center

March 2016-present

- Provide support for company website.
- www.globalweatherandclimatecenter.com

### National Weather Association

November 2015-present

Maintain web pages for Professional Development and Diversity Committees www.nwas.org

MattBolton.me

October 2014-present

Personal portfolio website

How The Weatherworks

2013-present

- Facilitated two complete re-designs of, and provide support for, company website.
- www.weatherworks.com

Suncoast Stormwatch

September 2008-present

- Personal. Florida-focused weather website
- www.suncoaststorwatch.com

Footsforecast.org

2012-2013

Supported and maintained company website

### PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

WAS\*IS Students Website Committee

October 2016-present

National Weather Association Diversity

November 2015-present

Committee

National Weather Association

November 2013-present

Professional Development Committee

National Weather Camp Program

2013-present

- Head of Social Media Management
- Planning Committee Member
- Faculty Member & Camp Evaluator, Southwest FL

National Weather Service Certified Skywarn Storm Spotter

2008-present

West Central Florida AMS Chapter

2011-2013

- Education Committee Chair (2012-13)
- Social Media Committee Chair (2012-13)
- Recording Secretary (2011-12)

Weather Blogger for WTSP television station

May 2011 – June 2012

Brooksville, FL Weather Observer for St. Petersburg Times / Tampa

2009

Bay Times and Bay News 9 television station

## SPECIAL SKILLS

## **Proficiencies**

- HTML, CSS, Wordpress CMS, Bootstrap coding framework
- Microsoft Office
- Adobe Lightroom
- IBM SPSS Statistical Software
- Social media management
- Qualtrics survey platform
- Meteorological data analysis (basic statistical analyses, mesoanalysis products, radar)
- Canon DSLRs and photography

# **Working Knowledge**

- PHP, Javascript, Python
- Windows-based IT, information security, Linux (Ubuntu)
- QuickBooks Point-of-Sale System
- Excellent written communication skills