Research Question: Do essentialist beliefs about race shape children’s and adult’s physiological reactions to stressful situations?

Age-Range: 5- and 6-year olds

Method: Behavioral (correlational) and physiological (saliva samples). Parent component as well. Participants complete a series of tasks (e.g., switched at birth task, visitor task, feeling thermometers, IAT) and give three saliva samples across the study period (baseline, post-stress, 20-minutes post-stress).

Experimenters: Tara Mandalaywala

Testing Locations/Shifts: In-lab, weekdays and weekends

Notes: Currently on hold. This study is done in collaboration with Dr. Dave Amodio’s Social Neuroscience Lab in the Social Psychology area, and Dr. James Higham’s Primate Hormones and Behavior Lab in the Department of Anthropology.

Materials

Study Stimuli: Available in the in-lab BoSC folder on the CDSC Lab Server.

Study Scripts: Available in the in-lab BoSC folder on the CDSC Lab Server.

RA Resources

Coding Guides: Available in the in-lab BoSC folder on the CDSC Lab Server.

Recruitment Scripts: Available in the in-lab BoSC folder on the CDSC Lab Server.

Related Readings: Please see the attached grant proposal and references for more information on the rationale underlying BoSC, as well as related readings.