

## **Supplemental Information**

### **Positionality Statements of the Research Assistants**

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## Sample Article Coding, informed by Williamson et al. (2022)

### 1. Article Topic:

- 0 = coping and stress
- 1 = stress

### 2. From whose vantage point is the research being conducted?

#### a. *Sample generalizability*

1. *The following demographic variables were coded as 0 = not a focus in the study or research questions, 1 = was a focus in the study or research questions:*

- Age/Cohort
- Gender
- Sexual orientation
- Ability status
- Race/ethnicity
- Religion
- Education
- Occupation
- SES
- Relationship status
- Parental status

2. *Participant Location is coded as:*

- 0 = all from US/Canada
- 1 = all from a single other Western Country
- 2 = all from a non-Western Country
- 3 = participants from multiple countries

3. *Role of Sample Characteristics:*

- 0 = No special consideration to sample characteristics in the research questions or design (Williamson et al., “Basic Science”). E.g., may have a diverse sample, but focus is on advancing general knowledge about relationships.
- 1 = Research focuses on replication of results in a different sample (Williamson et al., “Generalizability”). E.g., is a documented phenomenon also found in a new demographic?
- 2 = Research focuses on a question about a specific population with the goal of learning more about how this group operates in their romantic relationship or in comparison to another group (Williamson et al., “Population Specific”). E.g., how does minority stress affect relationship quality in same-gender couples?

b. ***Authors' Information***

1. Authors' name, department affiliations and geographic region of affiliation are identified.
2. Authors' geographic locations are coded as (adapted from geographic regions for participants)
  - 0 = all from US/Canada
  - 1 = all from a single other Western Country
  - 2 = all from a non-Western Country
  - 3 = participants from multiple countries

c. ***Theoretical Approach***

1. Theories used are coded as:
  - 1 = VSA
  - 2 = Family Systems
  - 3 = Minority Stress
  - 4 = STM or other dyadic coping theories
  - 5 = Other theory (indicate which)

3. **What types of questions are valued?**

a. ***Intersectionally-informed research questions/hypotheses were coded as:***

- 0 = demographics were reported but not central to the research questions
- 1 = identity was central to the investigation/research question, but single identities examined separately (e.g., question about gender, question about race, but not how they intersect)
- 2 = how multiple identities intersect/interact was central to investigation/research questions (e.g., gender AND race together).

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