Content
This module focuses on the evolution of human preferences for voices and faces.

February 23
Required Readings


Questions to think about:
Question 1: Given the diversity of ecological settings that humans live in, would you predict universal mate preferences?

Question 2: Is there any one factor that can explain attractiveness?

Question 3: Does the function of a preference negate the mechanisms that underly those preferences, or *vice versa*?

March 2
Required Readings
Theme: Averageness


Supplemental Reading

Questions to think about:
Question 1: Are differences in masculinity preferences among different studies due to different methods of face manipulation and/or due to individual differences in preferences?

Question 2: If people prefer symmetrical things that are not faces, does this really mean that preferences for symmetrical faces are not adaptive?

Question 3: If person moves to a new place where people look different, will there face still be average? How does this affect the putative relationship between averageness and underlying quality?

March 9
Required Reading


Supplemental Reading


Questions to think about:
Question 1: If face preferences are a byproduct of our visual processing system then why would we ever expect preferences for voices and faces to be related?

Question 2: Can the voice and face convey similar and disparate information at the same time?

Question 3: Are different types of quality signals mutually exclusive?