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### Curriculum

Pedro Simão Mendes holds a PhD in Basic Psychology by the University of Minho (2021), a master's degree in Psychology by the University of Minho (2015) and, through an exchange between the universities of Minho and Lille, a master's degree in Psychology of Neurocognitive Processes and Affective Sciences by the University of Lille (France, 2015). He has worked in the field of Psychology, with an emphasis on Basic Cognitive Processes. His research interests include human behavior in general, and human memory in particular, with a special focus on ways to improve learning. His research topics have explored the effect of repeated testing in a classroom context (master's degree) and the monitoring of word learning in a laboratory context through the study of learning judgments (doctorate). He has published 3 articles in specialized journals as first author and received 1 prize at an international congress. He was a guest professor with the rank of assistant professor at the Lusófona University of Porto (2021), and at the University of Minho (2021-2022), teaching curricular units in Psychology degrees. In the last years, he developed an interest in the field of Science Communication, being selected for the International Summer School "Communicating Science" organized by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (Berlin, 2021). He worked at CIS-Iscte as a science communication manager (2022-2026). After securing funding from FCT through the 7th edition of the Individual Call to Scientific Employment Stimulus (2024.09867.CEECIND), is investigating how escape rooms have been used in Science Communication and how people accept or reject this format as a strategy for communicating contemporary social issues (e.g., the climate crisis).

### Research Interests

Cognitive Psychology

## Academic Qualifications

University/Institution	Type	Degree	Period
Iscte-Instituto Universitario de Lisboa/ETIC	Technical Specialization Course	Especialização em Inovação e Criatividade Digital	2023
Universidade do Minho	PhD	Psicologia Básica	2021
Universidade do Minho	M.Sc.	Psicologia	2015
Université de Lille UFR de Psychologie	M.Sc.	Psychologie des Processus Neurocognitifs et Sciences Affectives	2014

## Total Citations

Web of Science®	43
Scopus	33

## Publications

### • Scientific Journals

#### - Scientific journal paper

1	<p>Guerra, N., Pinto, R., Mendes, P. S., Rodrigues, P. F. S. &amp; Albuquerque, P. B. (2022). The impact of COVID-19 on memory: Recognition for masked and unmasked faces. <i>Frontiers in Psychology</i>. 13</p> <p>- Times Cited Web of Science®: 11            - Times Cited Scopus: 11            - Times Cited Google Scholar: 12</p>
2	<p>Mendes, P. S. &amp; Undorf, M. (2021). On the pervasive effect of word frequency in metamemory. <i>Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology</i>. 174702182110533-174702182110533</p> <p>- Times Cited Web of Science®: 8            - Times Cited Scopus: 6            - Times Cited Google Scholar: 9</p>

### • Other Publications

#### - Non-peer-reviewed papers

1	<p>Mendes, P. S., Luna, Karlos &amp; Albuquerque, Pedro B. (2020). Experience Matters. <i>Zeitschrift für Psychologie</i>. 228 (4), 254-263</p> <p>- Times Cited Web of Science®: 7            - Times Cited Scopus: 5</p>
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2	Mendes, P. S., Luna, Karlos & Albuquerque, Pedro B. (2019). Word frequency effects on judgments of learning: More than just beliefs. <i>The Journal of General Psychology</i> . 148 (2), 124-148 - Times Cited Web of Science®: 16 - Times Cited Scopus: 11 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 18
3	Mendes, P. S. & Teixeira, Jose Sousa (2018). Inter-relações texto-imagem nas metáforas verbo-pictóricas em publicidade. <i>Diacrítica</i> . 32 (1), 225-238 - Times Cited Web of Science®: 1 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 1

## • Conferences/Workshops and Talks

### - Talk

1	Mendes, P. S. (2025). A project to assess attitudes towards escape rooms as a science communication tool. XX PhD Meeting in Psychology: .
2	Mendes, P. S. (2025). Projeto para avaliar perceções sobre Escape Rooms na Comunicação de Ciência. SciComPt Congresso 2025.
3	Mendes, P. S., Laginha, C., Alves, A.R., Garcia, A., Rocha, S. & Oliveira, S. (2025). Uma análise FOFA à comunicação de ciência do Iscte. SciComPt Congresso 2025.
4	Mendes, P. S. & Monika Undorf (2023). Metamemory for (un)masked faces. 17º Encontro Nacional da Associação Portuguesa de Psicologia Experimental.

## Research Projects

Project Title	Role in Project	Partners	Period
Considerations, Attitudes, and Perceptions towards Escape Rooms for Science Communication	Global Coordinator	CIS-Iscte (BEC)	2026 - 2029

## Awards

International Graduate Accommodation Award (2018)

## Professional Associations

Portugal's Science and Technology Communication Network (SciComPt) (2024)

Portuguese Association for Experimental Psychology (2024)

Portuguese Association for Experimental Psychology (2023)

Portuguese Association for Experimental Psychology (2022)

## Organization/Coordination of Events

Type of Organization/Coordination	Event Title	Organizer	Year
Member of scientific event's organizing committee	Ajuda à organização do 4º Congresso da Ordem dos Psicólogos Portugueses, através da preparação de kits, organização de salas, entre outros. A área principal de atuação foi na receção de participantes, oradores e convidados.		2018
Member of scientific event's organizing committee	Tarefa na 17th European Conference on Developmental Psychology, da European Association of Developmental Psychology. As atividades desenvolvidas incluíam preparação de kits, gestão do programa, apoio nas salas de conferências e sessões de pôsteres, e gestão de equipa.		2015

## Diffusion Activities

Activity Type	Event Title	Activity Description	Year
Talk/Conference in public diffusion event	European Researcher's Night 2024	Collaboration in the preparation and dissemination of research projects from CIS-Iscte.	2024
Talk/Conference in public diffusion event	Exploring Citizen Science in Psychology Projects	Interactive session on the fundamentals of Science Communication, with a focus on participatory models and Citizen Science formats, and their applications to Psychology.	2024
Talk/Conference in public diffusion event	Employability Forum 2023		2023
Talk/Conference in public diffusion event	European Researchers' Night	Collaboration in the preparation and dissemination of research projects from CIS-Iscte.	2023
Talk/Conference in public diffusion event	European Researchers' Night	Collaboration with two researchers in the dissemination of two research projects from the Centre for Psychological Research and Social Intervention	2022