**Faculty mentors:** Greg Walton

**Research supervisor(s):**
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**Project topic(s):** Conversations between Friends

**Brief description of scientific issues:**
The commitment and connection that people have to their friends presents an opportunity for meaningful conversations about important experiences. Yet friends may each experience concerns that prevents them from having these conversations or from these conversations going well. One goal of this line of work is to understand how often friends talk about meaningful experiences, their expectations about these conversations, and how they experience these conversations.

**Skills required:**
strong interest in social psychology and social identity; some experience with coding qualitative data

**Skills to be learned:**
experimental design; theory building; coding behavioral data; data management

**Hours:** Full time