

# **Judith Smetana**

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Smetana is an expert on adolescent-parent relationships, moral reasoning, and development in cultural contexts.

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## **Biography**

Professor Smetana's research examines adolescent-parent relationships and development in cultural contexts; children's moral and social reasoning; and development of parenting beliefs. She is focusing on adolescents' strategies for managing information about their everyday activities and parents' strategies for remaining informed about what their adolescents are doing. Also, the development of young children's moral and social knowledge, including the development of and conceptual distinctions between children's understanding of moral and social- conventional rules and transgressions, relationships among social knowledge, affect, and behavior, and contextual influences on social and moral judgments. And parents' parenting beliefs and their relationships to parenting practices and child outcomes.

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Adolescent-Parent Relationships, Teens and Self-Esteem, Cultural Contexts, Children's Moral and Social Reasoning, Parenting Beliefs

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## **Education**

University of California, Santa Cruz

Ph.D.

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