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David Barnstone studies the dynamics of media use in families with young children. He is particularly interested in how parents form beliefs about media effects and child development. Prior to Stanford, David worked as a full-time science writer and media relations specialist for several scientific organizations, including the American Physical Society, Society for Neuroscience, and Springer Nature.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

- Graduate Student Fellow, McCoy Family Center for Ethics in Society (2025 - present)

Research & Scholarship

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Child Development
- Early Childhood
- Parents and Family Issues
- Psychology

LAB AFFILIATIONS

- Nilam Ram, The Change Lab (9/23/2024)

Teaching

COURSES

2025-26

- Censorship and Propaganda: COMM 158, COMM 258 (Aut)
- Truth, Trust, and Tech: COMM 124, COMM 224 (Spr)