



GUEST LECTURE

# WHAT CHILDREN REVEAL ABOUT THE ORIGINS OF HUMAN COOPERATION

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**Humans are able to cooperate with others in sophisticated, flexible ways. How do humans accomplish these behaviors? In some views, we are initially driven by purely selfish motives and must be taught to be cooperative. Yet other views suggest we have a biological predisposition for cooperation that emerges early in childhood. Felix will discuss developmental studies with children and comparative studies with chimpanzees that provide insight into the origins of human evolution and development.**



Dr. Felix Warneken is Professor of Psychology at the University of Michigan and Director of the Social Minds Lab. Trained as a developmental and comparative psychologist, he investigates the social behaviors of children, with a focus on the origins of cooperation and morality. He has received early career awards from the National Science Foundation, the Society for Research in Child Development, the Association for Psychological Science and the American Psychological Association. He was selected as a Fellow of the Radcliffe Center for Advanced Study, a Fellow of the Association for Psychological Science, Senior Fellow at the Society of Fellows at Michigan, and a Kavli Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences. His research has been featured in several documentaries by PBS NOVA, Arte, and Netflix.

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