Unduplicated Empirical Theories in Communication Reported in 2014

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Theory in the Year, 2014: The Facts:

- All empirical articles in seven journals for the volume year 2014:
  - Communication Monographs
  - Communication Research
  - Human Communication Research
  - Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly
  - Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media
  - Journal of Communication
  - Management Communication Quarterly
- 231 articles
- All articles searched over terms theory and model
- 227 articles reference theory/model
- 5008 references to theory/model; 659 pages of theory/model references
- 440 unduplicated theories
- Journals have distinctive theory-in-use profiles (e.g., MCQ produced 73 theories (from 28 articles); 68 unduplicated elsewhere)

Four Hundred Forty Theories in Play¹

Action assembly theory
Actor network theory
Actor partner interdependence model
Affect infusion model
Affective disposition theory
Affective information theory
Affective intelligence theory

¹ Based on authors’ naming convention.
Affective polarization theory
Affective transactive memory model
Agenda building theory
Agenda setting theory
Alcohol myopia theory
Analytical model of parental communication
Anger activism model
Anglo-American model of media and politics
Apologia theory
Appraisal theory
Appraisal theory of emotion
Arousal theory
Associative network theory
Attachment theory
Attractions similarity model
Attribution theory of motivation and emotion
Attributional model of helping
Auction theory
Audience channel model for gatekeeping theory
Authentication model
Autopoietic organization theory
Average leadership styles theory
Baxter's dialectic theory
Behavioral finance theory
Behavioral theory of impulsiveness and impulse control
Benevolent perception model
Biographical certainty theory
Bottom-up model of television programming
Bourdieuian field theory
Broaden and build theory of positive emotions
Brun's theory of produsage
Cardiac somatic coupling theory of attention
Catharsis theory
Cha-cha model of choice
Child developmental theory
Circumplex model of family systems
Circumplex theory of emotion
Citizen communication mediation model
Cognitive choice model
Cognitive dissonance theory
Cognitive emotional theory of self-esteem messages
Cognitive evaluation theory
Cognitive load theory
Cognitive mediation model of learning
Cognitive network model
Communication adaptation theory
Communication mediation model
Communication privacy management theory
Communication theory of identity
Communication theory of volunteer management
Communicative constitution of organizations theory
Compassionate love theory
Comprehensive model of information seeking
Consistency theory
Construal level theory
Contemporary rhetorical theory
Contingency theory
Contingency theory of strategic conflict management
Core periphery model of international public relations
Corporatist model of the northern press
Co-rumination, stress, and burnout mediation models
Critical rational theory
Critical theory
Cultivation theory
Cultural hybridity theory
Cultural theory of risk
Cultural variability in communication model
Deception theory
Decision field theory
Deliberative learning model
Demand withdraw theory
Democratic corporatist model of media systems
Democratic theory
Developmental interactionist theory
Developmental model of volunteering
Dialectics theory
Dialogue theory
Differential gains model
Diffusion model of choice time
Directional theory of issue voting
Disclosure decision model
Discourse theory
Discursive construction of organizations theory
Discussion deliberative theory
Displacement theory of Internet use
Disposition content congruency hypothesis
Disposition theory of drama
Disposition theory of humor
Disposition theory of sports spectatorship
Distributive justice model
Domestication theory
Driving motivation theory
Dual process model of entertainment experience
Dual process model of persuasion
Dual process theory of information seeking and sharing
Dual process theory of supportive message outcome
Dyadic cyclical model of expressions of commitment
Dyadic power theory
Dynamic integration theory
Dynamic motivational activation theory
Dynamic system message processing model
Ecological model of voluntary
Ecological theory of conflict
Economic theory of democracy
Effective disposition theory
Ego depletion and strength model of self-control
Ego strength model
Elaboration likelihood model
Entertainment theory
ERG model of retweet networks
Ethical theory
Ethnic political violence model
Ethno-linguistic identity theory
Event stream model of web forum deliberation
Evolution theory
Evolutionary theories of entrepreneurship

Excellence theory

Excitation transfer theory

Exemplification theory

Expanded transactive memory theory

Expectancy valence learning model

Expectancy violations theory

Expressive citizenship model

Extended parallel processing model

Extended theory of planned behavior

Family communication patterns theory

Feedback intervention theory

Fever model of disclosure

Fisch's capacity model

Flow model of television programming

Focus theory of normative conduct

Four dimensional national culture model

Four factor theory of deception

Four flows model of constitutive communication

Framing theory

Free market economic theory

Fulk's model of social information processing

Functional theory of nonverbal communication
Functional theory of self-disclosure
Game theory
Gatekeeping theory
Gender schema theory
General aggression model
General learning model
Globalization theory
Goal pursuit theory
Gottman psycho-physio-model of marital interaction
Grounded theory
Grounded theory of mediated impression management
Group dynamics theory
Guttmann's facet theory
Habermas's public sphere theory
Hayes process model
Health behavior theory
Health information acquisition model
Health information model
Hedonic affect regulation theory
Heuristic systematic model of information processing
Hewes model of group behavior
Homophily theory
Humor theory
Hypodermic needle theory
Information manipulation theory
Information processing theory
Information seek-cycle model
Inoculation theory
Input model of group discussion
Institutional theory on organizational norms
Integrated model of advice giving
Integrated model player experience
Integrated theory of enjoyment
Integrated threat theory
Integrative theory of cross-cultural adaptation
Integrative theory of Intergroup conflict
Interaction adaptation theory
Interactional theory of depression
Interactivity effects model
Interdependence theory
Intergroup conflict theory
Intergroup contact theory
Interpersonal deception theory
Interpersonal process model of intimacy and marriage
Interpersonal sensitivity theory
Interpersonal theory of psychiatry
Inverted pyramid model
Investment model of satisfaction
Kasim's model of self
Knowledge Theory
Language socialization theory
Latent group model
Leader member exchange theory
Learning theory
Liberal model of journalism
Lifespan theory
Limited capacity concurrent activity theory
Limited capacity model of MMMP
Limited effects model
MAIN model of site credibility
Marketing theory
Media diffusion theory
Media ecology and medium theory
Media effects theory
Media richness theory
Media sexual socialization theory
Mediated moderation model
Mediation model
Message audience interaction model
Model of affective infusion
Model of communicative competence
Model of compassionate communication
Model of downward spirals of media influence
Model of health risk decision-making
Model of integrative parent-child interactions
Model of intuitive morality and exemplars
Model of narrative comprehension and engagement
Model of new American journalism
Model of news selectivity
Model of online democratic communication
Model of parental patterns of cooperation
Model of photo messaging
Model of social emotional meta-appraisal
Models of media systems
Models of megaphoning and scouting effects
Models of work life conflict
Moderated mediation theory
Mood management theory
Moral development theory
Moral foundations theory
Moral mum effect theory
Motivated decision theory
Motivated information sharing theory
Motivated media processing theory
Motivational consumption model
Motivational model of emotion
Mueller speech theories
Multi-alternative decision field theory
Multiple goals theory of personal relationships
Multistep mediation model
Narrative paradigm theory
Narrative persuasion theory
Network agenda setting model
New selection theory
News framing theory
News transmission theory
News value theory
Normative theory
North Atlantic or liberal model of media and politics
Objectification theory
Online activism theory
Online processing model
Optimal distinctiveness theory
Organismic integration theory
Organizational branding theory
Organizational legitimacy theory
Organizational role theory
Organizational theory
Organization-employee relationship model
O-S-R-O-R model of communication effects
Outcome expectancy model
Participation models in status differentiated groups
PAST theory
Pathways model of volunteering
Perceived information gathering capacity
Persuasive arguments theory
PL model of deception
Polarized pluralist model of media systems
Politeness theory
Political engagement model
Political socialization theory
Political theory
Political theory of climate change
Predicted outcome value theory
Preoccupied attachment model
Primary socialization theory
Problematic integration theory
Procedural justice theory
Process model for understanding best places to work
Process model of internal and external legitimacy
Process models a group discussion
Prominence interpretation theory
Prospect theory
Psycho evolutionary theory
Public sphere theory
Quality of life theory
Quasi-rational forecasting of risks model
Random effects relational event model
Rationalist models of workers moral decision-making
Reactance theory
Reciprocal determinism model of media influence
Reference group theory of humor
Regulatory focus theory
Reinforcement affect model of attraction
Reinforcement learning model
Reinforcing spirals model of media effects
Relational dialectics theory
Relational framing theory
Relational regulations theory
Relational theory of public relations
Relational turbulence model
Relationship management theory
Relevant channel beliefs theory
Risk information seeking and processing model
Risk matrix model
Role congruity theory
Role dynamic theory
Role exit theory
Role making model of leadership
Role transitions theory
Scouting model of entrepreneurship
Selective exposure theory
Self-categorization theory
Self-criticism and self-enhancement theory
Self-determination theory
Self-expansion model
Self-perception theory
Semantic theory
Sensemaking intuition model
Sensemaking resource model
Sensitive interactions systems theory
Serial argument process model
Sexual stigma theory
Shared reality theory
Situational crisis communication theory
Situational theory of problem-solving
Skills training protocol
Social categorization theory
Social cognitive theory
Social cognitive theory of Internet U&Gs
Social cognitive theory of self-regulation
Social comparison process theory
Social comparison theory
Social emotional selectivity theory
Social entrepreneurship
Social exchange theory
Social identity model of deindividuation effects
Social identity theory
Social information processing theory
Social mediated crisis communication model
Social norms focus theory
Social presence theory
Social representation theory
Social role theory of sex differences and similarities
Socialization model for volunteers
Society theory of organizations
Socio-egocentric theory
Sociological theory of performance and imagination
Sonnenschein's model
Spatial theory of loading
Spiral of silence theory
Spreading activation theory of semantic processing
Strategic legitimacy theory
Strength choice model
Structural affect theory of stories
Structural model of news consumption
Structural theory of foreign news
Structurating activity theory
Structuration theory
Symbolic interactionism theory
Symmetrical communication model
Technology acceptance model
Tension centered model of resistance
The triangular theory of in-laws
Theories of eudaimonic motivations for media use
Theories of eudaimonic well-being
Theories of story effect mechanisms
Theories of story selection
Theory of agenda melding
Theory of autopoiesis
Theory of conversationally induced reappraisals
Theory of cross-cultural adaptation
Theory of dialogism
Theory of disinhibition
Theory of enjoyable player's self-perception
Theory of entertainment persuasion
Theory of framing and opinion formation
Theory of identification in fictional narrative
Theory of Information Behavior
Theory of key events
Theory of leadership effectiveness
Theory of media affordances
Theory of mediated impression management
Theory of mood management
Theory of motivated cognition
Theory of motivated information management
Theory of motivated interpersonal exchanges
Theory of motivated reasoning
Theory of narrative persuasion
Theory of network gatekeeping
Theory of normative social behavior
Theory of objectivity in journalism
Theory of optimal matching
Theory of personalization of appearance
Theory of planned behavior
Theory of political campaign media connectedness
Theory of pornography
Theory of power relationships in marriage
Theory of press-state relations
Theory of problematic Internet use and well-being
Theory of psychological reactance
Theory of reasoned action
Theory of reception
Theory of relational power
Theory of selective exposure
Theory of self-concept maintenance
Theory of self-regulation
Theory of social comparison processes
Theory of social relations
Theory of social systems
Third person perception theory
Third sector theory
Three level drug communication model
Three-level model of anxiety
Transacted model of attitude accessibility
Transactive memory theory
Transmission model of socialization
Transportation imagery model of persuasion
Tripartite model of selfhood
Truth default theory
Two-step flow theory
Uncertainty in illness theory
Uncertainty management theory
Uncertainty reduction theory
Unified theory of behavioral change
Unified theory of the structure of human behavior
Uses and gratifications theory
Ventriloquism
Virtue theory
Vocational anticipatory socialization theory
Volunteer management theory
Wieck's theory of organizing
World polity theory
Wrights theory of pornography
Zero-sum theory