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Education

2016- 2020 **B.S. Psychology**

GPA: 3.716

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Major: Psychology Minor: Biology

2020-Present **Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology**

GPA: 3.752

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Specialization: Cognitive and Brain sciences (CAB)

Research Experience

Sept. 2020-Present Graduate Research Assistant

Department of Psychology (CAB) University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Supervisor: Dr. Nicola Grissom NeuroGOAL Laboratory September 2020-Present

June 2019-Aug. 2019 Summer Research Scholar

The Relationship between Dopamine and Utilitarian Moral Judgment Summer Undergraduate Scholars Program

University of Wisconsin-Platteville Supervisor: Dr. Kameko Halfmann

Responsibilities/Explanation:

- Designed an experiment from conception through completion.
- Collected and analyzed preliminary results.
- Present findings at Summer Undergraduate Scholars Program presentation series.
- Continue research through the fall semester.
- Attend weekly workshop series in preparation for graduate school.

June 2018- May 2020 Research Assistant

Department of Psychology

University of Wisconsin-Platteville Supervisor: Dr. Kameko Halfmann

Responsibilities/Explanation:

- Assisted Dr. Halfmann in the Platteville Emotion and Decision-making Lab.
- Conducted literature reviews.
- Designed an experiment from conception through completion.
- Collected and analyzed preliminary results.

• Tested BioPac psychophysiology equipment.

Jan. 2019-May 2019 Behavioral Research (course #396W-02)

Department of Psychology

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Professor: Dr. Alec Eshelman

Responsibilities/Explanation:

- Complete a literature review dependent on a topic chosen for your research project.
- Design a research project.
- Use reflective and formal writing skills to develop a research proposal to submit for IRB approval.
- Individually complete a manuscript that will include an APA style cover page, introduction, method, and reference sections.

Sept. 2019-Dec. 2019 Behavioral Research (course #397W-L2)

Department of Psychology

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Professor: Dr. Alec Eshelman

Responsibilities/Explanation:

- Complete the experiment designed in Behavioral Research I (course #396W-02).
- Run data analysis using The Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) software.
- Individually complete the manuscript started in Behavioral Research I (course #396W-02) using APA style. Complete the results and conclusion sections while incorporating figures/tables.

Publications

Mueller, D. & Halfmann, K. (2021). Dopamine, religiosity, and utilitarian moral judgment. *Social Neuroscience* 16(6), 627-638.

Preprints

Chen, C. S., **Mueller, D.** Knep, E., Ebitz, R. B., & Grissom, N. M. (2023). Dopamine and norepinephrine differentially mediate the exploration-exploitation tradeoff. *bioRxiv*.

Poster Presentations

2022	Accepted to present a research poster at Society for Neuroscience 2022 virtual and inperson conference in San Diego, California in November.
2022	Presented a research poster at Pavlovian Society Meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
2022	Presented a research poster at Gordon Conference: Frontal Cortex Structure and Function Across Model Systems in Ventura, California.
2022	Presented a research poster at Dopamine2022 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada at Centre Mont-Royal.

2021	Presented a research poster at Virtual Society for Neuroscience (SfN) 50 th annual meeting.
2021	Presented a research poster at virtual Spring Research Day (SRD) at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.
2020	Presented a research poster at virtual Pioneer Creative Activities and Research Day (PCARD) Symposium at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.
2020	Presented a research poster at WiSys annual Research in the Rotunda event.
2019	Presented a research poster at Midbrains 2019 Midwest Regional Undergraduate Research Symposium in Neuroscience hosted by Augustana College.
2019	Presented two research posters at Tri-State Psychology Research Conference hosted by Rockford University.
2019	Presented a research poster at Wisconsin Science and Technology Symposium (WSTS) at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.
2019	Presented a research poster at Pioneer Creative Activities and Research Day (PCARD) Symposium at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

Professional Development

2023	Center for Integrative Leadership workshop: Leading Across Sectors and Professions for Collective Impact.
2023	Office for Equity and Diversity (OED) Education workshop: Exploring Identities & Embracing Challenging Conversations .
2022	Application Statement Feedback Program (ASFP) Editors Training – How to edit and provide feedback to 2022 PhD applicants.
2022	Application Statement Feedback Program (ASFP) Editors Workshop – Practice editing and providing feedback to PhD applicants.
2022	Software Carpentry workshop provided by University of Minnesota: The Unix Shell.
2022	Cross Cultural Leadership Retreat at University of Minnesota: Issued Gold Digital Badge [HERE].
2022	Project Management 101 workshop from Carlson School of Management at University of Minnesota: Issued Maroon Digital Badge [HERE].
2022	Office for Equity and Diversity (OED) Education workshop: Navigating challenging conversations.
2021	Completed aseptic technique and suturing training with Research Animal Resources (RAR).

2020	Competed in WiSys virtual Quick Pitch State Final.
2019	Oral presentation of Summer 2019 research at University of Wisconsin-Platteville's Student Seminar Series .
2019	Attended University of Minnesota's Diversity in Psychology Program . This diversity-emphasizing graduate school preparation program focused on networking, professionalism, poster presenting, and understanding the application process.
2019	Successfully completed Women in STEM training session.
2019	Oxford University Press: Successfully completed undergraduate course modules focusing on "Research as a Transferable Skill: Integrity and Ethical Decision-Making in Research."
2018	Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program): Successfully completed undergraduate course modules focusing on "Social, Behavioral, and Education (SBE) Sciences RCR."
2018	Short-term Faculty-led study abroad experience studying the History of Science and Technology in Europe. Study locations: Budapest, Hungary; Düsseldorf, Germany; Vienna, Austria; Bratislava, Slovakia; Amsterdam, Netherlands.
2018	Sigma Alpha Iota National Convention . At this event I attended leadership and communication workshops as well as presentations from guest speakers on creativity, leadership, positivity, and trusting your own voice.
2017	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater: Successfully completed a class on "Identifying and Reporting Child Abuse for the Mandated Reporter" which accredits two continuing education units.

Academic Awards, Prizes, and Honors

2023	Selected to attend the Summer Workshop on the Dynamic Brain hosted by Allen Institute Computational Neuroscience Center.
2022	T32 Graduate Training Fellow on the MH115886 training grant.
2022	Graduate Summer Research Fellowship (GSR).
2021	Gloria J. Randahl Fellowship.
2020	Awarded 1st place at WiSys Quick Pitch UW-Platteville competition.
2019	Dr. Robert I. and Myrt Velzy Psychology Scholarship.
2019	Pioneer Summer Undergraduate Scholar Program (SUSP) research grant.
2019	Pioneer Undergraduate Research Scholarly and Creative Activity (URSCA) Scholarship.
2018	Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Membership.

F2017, F2018 S2019, S2020	
2016	The "Semper Fidelis" Award for Musical Excellence – Presented by the United States Marines Youth Foundation, Inc. and the Marine Corps League in Recognition of Diligence, Dedication and Musical Excellence as a Performing High School Bandsman and Soloist.
Teaching	
S22, F22, & S23	Guest lecturer for PSY 3061 Introduction to Biological Psychology – Neuroanatomy lecture.
S22, F22 & S23	Guest lecturer for PSY 3061 Introduction to Biological Psychology – Auditory System lecture.
Spring 2022	Guest lecturer for PSY 3061 Introduction to Biological Psychology – Stress lecture.
Volunteeri	ng
2023	Panel member for University of Minnesota Cognitive and Brain Sciences Psychology recruitment event.
2023	Cognitive area panel member for NextGen Psych Scholars (NPSP) workshop on "Choosing Between Programs: Assessing Offers."
2022-Present	Member of the Application Statement Feedback Program (ASFP) Core Team based out of the University of Denver. I provide feedback on Psychology PhD applicant statements.
2022-Present	Member of Council of Graduate Students (COGS) Grants Committee . I review and score grant applications and deliberate decisions with others in the grant committee.
2022-Present	Mentor for NextGen Psych Scholars Program (NPSP).
2022	Panel member for NextGen Psych Scholars (NPSP) workshop on "Choosing the Right Area [of psychology]."
2022	Lead mentor and host for NextGen Psych Scholars (NPSP) workshop on "How to make a CV."
2022	Lead mentor and host for NextGen Psych Scholars (NPSP) workshop on "How to write Personal/Research Statements."
2022	Graduate school panel as part of PSY 3061 Introduction to Biological Psychology.
2019	Pioneering Your Future in STEM – Women in EMS Programs.
2019	Advertise and discuss the benefits of undergraduate research with interested students at the Pioneer Experience Fair.
2018-2020	Ruby's Pantry at Platteville Methodist Church.

2018	Pioneering Your Future in STEM – Women in EMS Programs.
2016- 2019	American Music Recital Performer.
2016-2019	Serving at the Annual Spaghetti Supper at First English Lutheran Church.
2013-2016	Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring Program.

Campus Involvement and Memberships

April 2019-May 2020 Undergraduate Research Club

Member

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

- Participate in undergraduate research at the university
- Attend valuable events/workshops throughout the academic year on topics such as *publication best practices*, *graduate school admission processes*, campus laboratory tours, etc.
- Attend or present at club events focused on practicing presenting student research and receiving feedback from peers.

April 2019-May 2020 Swing Dance Club

Secretary

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

- Attend executive board meetings.
- Help plan events such as Spring Fling.
- Take notes at all meetings.

April 2018-May 2020 Psi Chi Honor Society

Member

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

• Participate in and assist with the events hosted by the campus Psychology Club and the Psi Chi honor society.

Jan 2018-May 2019 Women's Greek Counsel

Sigma Alpha Iota Representative University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

Attend weekly meetings that include all the Women's Greek life on campus. I
report developments back to my chapter and vote on Sigma Alpha Iota's behalf.

April 2017-May 2019 Sigma Alpha Iota Women's Fraternity

Previous position: Academic Chair

Current position: Alumni Status (as of May 2019)

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

- Support the development of strong women leaders and promote women in music.
- Encourage, nurture and support the art of music.
- Cultivate excellence in musical performance.
- Exemplify professional and ethical behavior in respect to furthering the development of music.
- Academic: Encourage members to achieve the GPA requirements of our chapter and university policy for all Greek life. Collect grade checks at midterms and schedule study nights for sisters to work together and support one another's education.

April 2017-May 2020 Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Societies

Member

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

- Attend meetings and community service events.
- Continue to represent the group beyond freshman acceptance by achieving high academic standards.

Sept. 2016-May 2020 Psychology Club

Co-President

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

- The president runs each meeting, plans meeting with the executive board, and plans volunteer events.
- I am also in charge of media outreach which is mostly achieved through updating our Facebook page.

Additional Work Experience

Sept. 2016-May 2020 Dining Services: Bridgeway Stations

Cashier/Food service worker University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Responsibilities:

- My responsibilities change depending on the shift. Most often I am in charge of handling the money and answering questions that the customers have.
- I also make and serve food, wash dishes, clean tables, and prep food for future openings.

June 2016-2020 **C&S Manufacturing Corporation**

Factory Worker Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin

Responsibilities:

• I worked in several different departments where I operated presses, welded, packed orders to ship, and slid metal.

References

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