Alexander Olson

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Education

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico

Masters of Arts in Experimental Psychology, Expected 2026

<u>Advisor:</u> *Melissa Guynn, PhD*

Colorado Mesa University, Grand Junction, Colorado

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, May of 2024

3.75 GPA

Lab Involvement

Melissa Guynn's Memory Lab: 2024-Present

Academic Appointments and Relevant Work Experience

New Mexico State University

- *Teaching Assistant*
    - *Experimental Methods, Spring 2025*
    - *Memory, Fall 2024*
    - *Evolutionary Psychology, Fall 2024*

Research & Presentations

Examining the Associations Among Relationship Obsessive-Compulsive Tendencies, Extreme Love Beliefs, and Big Five Personality Traits in a Non-Clinical American Sample, 2025

- I provided theoretical direction, literary analysis, and editing to this paper, work which merited authorship. ***This research has been accepted for publication in the Psi Chi Journal of Psychological Research.***

The Effect of Cognitive Offloading via Reminders on Prospective Memory Interference in a Lexical Decision Task, 2025

- I conducted data collection and statistical analysis for this study. ***This research was presented at the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association 2025 conference.***

The Impact of Physical Activity on Symptoms of Depression & Anxiety, 2023

- I led a group conducting research into the impacts of exercise habits on the severity of symptoms of depression and anxiety in young adults. ***This research was presented at the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association 2024 conference.***

Associations

Psi Chi Honor Society, 2023 to present

Additional Experience

- Proficient in statistical analysis using *R*
- Proficient in coding experiments in *PsychoPy*
- Proficient in IBM's SPSS Statistics program
- Proficient in Qualtrics survey management software
- Experienced with academic research & analysis
- Proficient with Microsoft Office

Other Accomplishments

- Presented first-year project at departmental forum – 5/9/2025