

AIDAN MARCIKIC

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EDUCATION

B.S., Psychology <i>Philosophy Minor; Dean's List</i> <i>MGPA: 3.90</i> Illinois State University	Expected May 2025
A.S., Psychology <i>MGPA: 4.0</i> College of Lake County	May 2023
High School Diploma Vernon Hills High School	May 2021

AWARDS AND GRANTS

University Research Grant <i>Transfer Student Library Experiences and Student Success at Illinois State University</i> \$2,950 Awarded Milner Library, Illinois State University	Summer 2024
Travel Grant Midwestern Psychological Association Conference \$200 Awarded Department of Psychology, Illinois State University	
Dean's List College of Arts and Sciences, Illinois State University	Fall 2023
Milner's Lend a Hand Award Milner Library Illinois State University	Fall 2023
Semester Honors College of Lake County	Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Spring 2023

POSTERS

- Marcikic, Aidan**, Mao, C., O'Connell, A., Sapp, M., Fletcher, K., Hernandez, A., Caruso, D., & Nguyen, A. (Forthcoming April 2025). *Do college students understand political orientation?* [Poster]. Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.
- Marcikic, Aidan**, & Nguyen, A. (2024). *LOL as a discourse marker*. [Poster]. Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Student Researcher Allison Nguyen Speech, Language and Media Lab Department of Psychology, Illinois State University	Fall 2023 — Current
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- Conducted and collaborated with PI and undergraduates psycholinguistic experimental research into emerging discourse markers, hedges and booster adjectives, and emoji usage of college students online.
- Ran participants through experiments, created stimulus containing discourse markers within different sentences, and performed data analysis including running ANOVAs through SPSS and R.
- Designed and ran a Qualtrics experiment to determine the ability of political orientation identification among college students.
- Ran data collection through SONA Systems Participant Pool Management.
- Lead data cleaning, preprocessing, and analysis through R.
- Managed fellow undergraduates regarding project conceptualization and literature reviewing.

Undergraduate Student Researcher

Summer 2024

Jordan Arellanes, Eric Wesselman

Parents' with Autistic children Ostracism experiences

Department of Psychology, Illinois State University

- Tagged and coded qualitative data in Excel to identify different experiences of ostracism among parents with children who have autism.

Undergraduate Student Researcher

Spring 2024 — Summer 2024

Audre Knecht, Karla Doepke

Microaggressions and their Impact on the Neurodiverse College Experience

Department of Psychology, Illinois State University

- Assisted with a qualitative research project into microaggressions among neurodiverse college students, recorded instances of microaggressions via interview. Transcribed interviews using Microsoft Word.
- Tagged and coded qualitative data with Taguette to identify different instances of microaggressions and negative experiences.

Student Ambassador and Student Researcher

Fall 2023 — Spring 2024

Mallory Jallas

Transfer Student Library Experiences and Student Success at Illinois State University

Milner Library, Illinois State University

- Conducted correlational research into underserved transfer student's experience at Milner Library via *Qualtrics*.
- Lead multiple focus groups with transfer students for qualitative data collection; to gain insights into the experiences of individual Illinois State students.

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, Illinois State University Psychology Department

Fall 2024

Cognition & Learning

Dr. Dawn McBride

Department of Psychology, Illinois State University

Teaching Assistant, Illinois State University Psychology Department

Spring 2024

Reasoning in Psychology Using Statistics

Dr. Gregory Braswell

Department of Psychology, Illinois State University

SERVICE

Psi Chi Psychology Honors Society Illinois State University	Spring 2024 — Current
Young Democratic Socialists of America, Co-Chair Illinois State University	Spring 2024 — Current
Neurodivergent Student Society, Co-Chair Illinois State University	Summer 2023 — Spring 2024
Young Democratic Socialists of America, Secretary Illinois State University	Fall 2023 — Spring 2024
Phi Sigma Phi National Honors Fraternity, Fundraising Chair Illinois State University	Fall 2023

TECHNICAL SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research Course 1. CITI Program Credential ID 58923152	Issued Oct 2023 · Expires Oct 2026
Educational, Social, and Behavioral Research with Human Subjects CITI Program Credential ID 58923151	Issued Oct 2023 · Expires Oct 2026

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Psi Chi, The International Honor Society in Psychology, Student Psychology Association, Students Ending Mental Illness Stigma, Reading Redbirds, German Club, Philosophy Society, Cannabis Club Redbirds.