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**Education & Training**

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| 2025 - present | **Postdoctoral Fellowship**  Institute of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC |
| 2024 – 2025  2018 – 2025 | **Predoctoral Internship, Adult Psychopathology track (APA accredited)**  Charleston Consortium (Medical University of South Carolina & Ralph H. Johnson Veterans Affairs Medical Center), Charleston, SC  **Ph.D., Clinical Psychology**  University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA  Dissertation (defended 5/31/24): “Impact of neighborhood deprivation on excitation and inhibition in frontal cortex through adolescence” |
| 2018 – 2025  2018 – 2021 | **Graduate Certificate, Cognitive Neuroscience**  Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition, Carnegie Mellon University and University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA  **M.S., Clinical Psychology**  University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA  Master’s Thesis: “Characterizing how age-related changes in GABA and Glutamate underlies development of working memory through adolescence” |
| 2012 – 2016 | **B.S., Neural Science (with Honors)**  Minors in Chemistry and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Studies  New York University, New York, NY |

**Funding, Honors, and Awards**

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| 2025 – 2027 | Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program Award, NIH/NIAAA |
| 2025 | John C. Roitzsch Memorial Scientist-Practitioner Award, Charleston Consortium Psychology Internship Program |
| 2025 | Honorable Mention, Internship Paper Competition, Charleston Consortium Psychology Internship Program |
| 2025 | Research Society on Alcohol Student Merit Award |
| 2025 | International Society on Biomedical Research on Alcoholism Travel Award |
| 2025 | Emerging Scholars Travel Award, Medical University of South Carolina |
| 2025 | First Place Poster Award, Brady/Lydiard Excellence in Psychiatry Research Day, Medical University of South Carolina |
| 2024 | Bassell Student Publication Award, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2023 | Bassell Student Publication Award, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2022 | Bassell Student Publication Award, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2021 | David & Grace Lazovik Grant, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2020 | David & Grace Lazovik Grant, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2018 | Pittsburgh Supercomputing Grant, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2016 – 2018 | Post-Baccalaureate Intramural Research Training Award, NIH/NIMH |
| 2016 | Founder’s Day Award, New York University |
| 2016 | Dean’s List, New York University |
| 2015 | Dean’s Undergraduate Research Fund Grant, New York University |
| 2014 | Dean’s Undergraduate Research Fund Grant, New York University |
| 2013 | Freshman and Sophomore Training Grant, New York University |

**Publications** (\* denotes co-first author)

1. Browning, B.D., Kirkland, A.E., **Perica, M**.**I.**, Engevik, M.A., Alekseyenko, A.V., Tomko, R.L., Ferguson, P.L, & Squeglia, L.M. (2025). Preliminary Associations between Brain Metabolites and Oral Microbiome Profiles during Adolescence. *Scientific Reports*, 15, 27141. PMCID: in progress.
2. Parr, A.C., **Perica, M.I.,** Calabro, F., Foran, W., Moon, C.H., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2024). Dopamine-related neurobiology contributes to the maturation of prefrontal cortex glutamate:GABA balance and cognitive function during adolescence. *Molecular Psychiatry*, 1-15. PMID: 39653761
3. McKeon, S.D., **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Hetherington, H., Moon, C.H., Luna, B. (2024). Prefrontal excitation/inhibition balance supports adolescent enhancements in circuit signal to noise ratio. *Progress in Neurobiology*, 243, 102695. PMID: 39622336
4. McKeon, S.D., **Perica, M.I.**, Parr, A.C., Calabro, F., Foran, W., Hetherington, H., Moon, C.H., Luna, B. (2024). Aperiodic EEG and 7T MRSI evidence for maturation of E/I balance supporting the development of working memory through adolescence. *Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience,* 66, 101373. PMCID: PMC11000172
5. Ravindranath, O.\*, **Perica, M.I.\*,** Parr, A.C., Ohja, A., McKeon, S., Montano, G., Ullendorf, N., Luna, B., Edmiston, K. (2024). Adolescent neurocognitive development and decision-making abilities regarding gender-affirming care. *Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience,* 67, 101351. PMCID: PMC11247355
6. **Perica, M.I.,** Luna, B. (2023). Impact of stress on excitatory and inhibitory markers of adolescent cognitive critical period plasticity. *Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews,* 153, 105378. PMCID: PMC10591935
7. Mayeli, A., Sonnenschein, S. F., Yushmanov, V.E., Wilson, J.D., Blazer, A., Foran, W., **Perica, M.I.,** Calabro, F.J., Luna, B., Hetherington, H., Sarpal, D. K., Ferrarelli, F. (2022). Dorsolateral prefrontal cortex GABA/Glutamate alterations in clinical high risk and first-episode schizophrenia: a 7-T magnetic resonance spectroscopic imaging study. *International Journal of Molecular Sciences.* *23*(24), 15846. PMCID: PMC9781166
8. **Perica, M.I**., Calabro, F.J., Larsen, B., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V.E., Hetherington, H., Tervo-Clemmens, B., Moon, C., Luna, B. (2022). Development of frontal GABA and glutamate supports excitation/inhibition balance from adolescence into adulthood. *Progress in Neurobiology,* 219, 102370. PMID: 36309210
9. Sonnenschein, S. F., Mayeli, A., Yushmanov, V.E., Blazer, A., Calabro, F.J., **Perica, M.I.**, Foran, W., Luna, B., Hetherington, H.P., Ferrarelli, F., Sarpal, D. K. (2022). A longitudinal investigation of GABA, glutamate, and glutamine across the insula during antipsychotic treatment of first-episode schizophrenia. *Schizophrenia Research.* 248, 98–106. PMCID: PMC10018530
10. **Perica, M.I.\***, Ravindranath, O.\*, Calabro, F.J., Foran, W., Luna, B. (2021). Hippocampal-prefrontal connectivity prior to COVID-19 pandemic predicts stress reactivity. *Biological Psychiatry: Global Open Science,* 1(4), 283–290. PMCID: PMC8612769
11. O’Reilly, K.C., **Perica, M.I.,** Fenton, A.A. (2018). Synaptic plasticity and dysplasticity in schizophrenia. *Schizophrenia Research,* 207, 22–36. PMCID: PMC6395534
12. O’Reilly, K.C., Levy, E.R.J., Patino, A.V., **Perica, M.I.**, Fenton, A.A. (2018). Sub-circuit alterations in hippocampus metabolic coupling, structure, and function after global neurodevelopmental insult. *Brain Structure and Function,* 223(8), 3543–3556. PMCID: PMC6278823
13. O’Reilly, K.C., **Perica, M.I.**, Fenton, A.A. (2016). Memory deficits with intact cognitive control in the Methylazoxymethanol Acetate (MAM) exposure model of neurodevelopmental insult. *Neurobiology of Learning and Memory,* 134 Pt B(Pt B), 294–303. PMCID: PMC6478019

Publications Under Review

1. **Perica, M**.**I.**, Kirkland, A. E., Mewton, L., Squeglia, L. M. (Under review at *Molecular Psychiatry*, 2025MP001806). Age- and alcohol-related differences in adolescent neurometabolite levels. https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2025.07.25.666840v1

Book Chapters

1. Ravindranath, O., Parr, A.C., **Perica, M.I.**, Elliot, S., Luna, B. (2022) Adolescent neurocognitive development. In: Halpern-Felsher, Bonnie (eds.) *Encyclopedia of Child and Adolescent Health*. pp. 40-62. Oxford: Elsevier.

**Presentations**

Oral presentations

1. **Perica, M.I**. (2025) *Adolescent neurometabolite development and the effect of alcohol use.*Talk given at MUSC Research Seminar, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC.
2. **Perica, M.I.** (2024) *Probing plasticity through adolescence.* Talk given at MUSC Youth Collaborative – University of Sydney Matilda Centre/MUSC Collaboration Symposium, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC.
3. **Perica M.I.** (2024). *Measuring excitation and inhibition using human neuroimaging methodologies.* Data blitz talk presented at the National Institutes of Mental Health, virtual.
4. **Perica, M.I.,** Calabro, F.J., Larsen, B., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V.E., Hetherington, H., Tervo-Clemmens, B., Moon, C., Luna, B. (2021). *Characterizing how age-related changes in GABA and glutamate underlie development of working memory through adolescence*. Talk given at the Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition Brain Bag series, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.
5. **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F.J., Larsen, B., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V.E., Hetherington, H., Tervo-Clemmens, B., Moon, C., Luna, B. (2021). *Age-related changes in excitation, inhibition, and their balance through adolescence.* Talk given at the University of Pittsburgh Clinical Psychology Seminar Series, Pittsburgh, PA.
6. **Perica M.I**., O’Reilly K.C., Fenton A.A. (2016). *Altered functional connectivity due to neurodevelopmental insult in the MAM model of schizophrenia*. Talk given at the NYU Undergraduate Research Conference, New York, NY.

Poster presentations (\* denotes student mentee presenter)

1. **Perica, M.I.**, Kirkland, A.E., Mewton, L., Squeglia, L. (2025). *Adolescent neurometabolite development and the effect of alcohol use.* Poster presented at the 2025 Research Society on Alcohol conference, New Orleans, LA.
2. **Perica, M.I.**, Kirkland, A.E., Mewton, L., Squeglia, L. (2025). *Adolescent neurometabolite development and the effect of alcohol use.* Poster presented at the Brady/Lydiard Excellence in Psychiatry Research Day, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC.
3. Gillen A.\*, **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Hetherington, H., Moon, C., Luna, B. (2023). *Understanding the neurological basis of externalizing behaviors during adolescence.* Poster presented at Undergraduate Research and Creative Expression Fair, 2023. Pittsburgh, PA.
4. **Perica, M.I**., Calabro, F., Foran, W., Hetherington, H., Moon, C., Luna, B. (2023). *Environmental impacts on adolescent excitatory and inhibitory processes in frontal cortex.* Poster presented at the 2023 Flux Society conference, Santa Rosa, CA.
5. **Perica, M.I**., McKeon, S.D., Calabro, F., Foran, W., Hetherington, H., Moon, C., Luna, B. (2023). *Developmental change in GABA and glutamate underlies changes in aperiodic neural activity through adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2023 UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital Research Day. Pittsburgh, PA.
6. Parr, A.C.,**Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Tervo-Clemmens, B., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2023). *Dopamine modulation of prefrontal GABA/Glutamate suggests critical period plasticity during adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2023 Society for Neuroscience conference, Washington, DC.
7. Ojha, O., **Perica, M.I**., Foran, W., Calabro, F., Luna, B. (2023). *Unique age-related amygdala-cingulate functional connectivity is associated with emotion regulation difficulties in human adolescents: a high-field longitudinal 7T study.* Poster presented at the 2023 UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital Research Day. Pittsburgh, PA.
8. McKeon, S.D., **Perica, M.I**., Parr, A.C., Calabro, F., Foran, W., Luna B. (2023). *Aperiodic EEG evidence for maturation of E/I balance supporting the development of working memory through adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2023 UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital Research Day. Pittsburgh, PA.
9. **Perica, M.I**., Calabro, F., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Moon, C., Luna, B. (2022). *Longitudinal changes in glutamate and GABA balance through adolescence*. Poster presented at the 2022 Flux Society conference, Paris, France.
10. McKeon, S., Calabro, F., **Perica, M.I**., Luna, B. (2022). *Reliability of cortical signal processing is driven by glutamate maturation and supports working memory development.* Poster presented at the 2022 Society for Psychophysiological Research, Vancouver, Canada.
11. McKeon, S., Calabro, F., **Perica, M.I**., Luna, B. (2022). *Reliability of cortical signal processing is driven by glutamate maturation and supports working memory development*. Poster presented at the 2022 Flux Society conference, Paris, France.
12. Parr, A.C.,**Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Tervo-Clemmens, B., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2022). *Variation in striatal dopamine-related neurophysiology is associated with GABA and glutamate in human adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2022 Flux Society conference, Paris, France.
13. Ohja, A., Calabro, F., Foran W., **Perica, M.I.**, Jalbrzikowski, M., Luna, B. (2022). *Characterizing fronto-amygdala circuitry development during adolescence: implications for internalizing symptoms.* Poster presented at the 2022 Flux Society conference, Paris, France.
14. Parr, A.C.,**Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Tervo-Clemmens, B., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2022). *Variation in striatal dopamine-related neurophysiology is associated with GABA and glutamate in human adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2022 UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital Research Day. Pittsburgh, PA.
15. **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Tervo-Clemmens, B., Luna, B. (2021). *Age-related changes in glutamate and GABA support excitatory/inhibitory balance during adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2021 UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital Research Day. Pittsburgh, PA.
16. **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2021). *Linking changes in excitatory and inhibitory balance through adolescence with working memory*. Poster presented at the Flux Society conference, virtual due to COVID-19.
17. Ravindranath, O., **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Luna, B. (2021). *Hippocampal-prefrontal connectivity prior to COVID-19 pandemic predicts later anxiety in adolescents.* Poster presented at the Flux Society conference, virtual due to COVID-19.
18. **Perica, M.I**.\* & Ravindranath, O.\* (2021). *A brain marker of heighetened anxiety during the COVID-19 pandemic in teens.* Infographic presented at COVGEN Summit 2021, virtual due to COVID-19.
19. **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2020). *Association between changes in GABA and Glutamate through adolescence and age-related change in brain activity underlying working memory.* Poster presented at the Flux Society conference, virtual due to COVID-19.
20. Sarpal, D., Sonnenschein, S., Blazer, A., Foran, W., **Perica, M.I**., Luna, B., Hetherington, H. (2020). *Antipsychotic efficacy and associated changes in prefrontal neurotransmitter levels: preliminary results from a 7-Tesla neuroimaging study of early phase schizophrenia.* Poster presented at the America College of Neuropsychopharmacology conference, virtual due to COVID-19.
21. **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2019). *Changes in GABA and Glutamate associated with age-related improvements in working memory ability through adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2019 Flux Society conference, New York, NY.
22. Ravindranath, O., Calabro, F., **Perica,** **M.I**., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2019). *Associations between the development of GABA and Glutamate and emotion processing through adolescence*. Poster presented at the 2019 Flux Society conference, New York, NY.
23. **Perica, M.I.**, Calabro, F., Foran, W., Yushmanov, V., Hetherington, H., Luna, B. (2019). *Mechanisms underlying age-related improvements in visuospatial working memory ability through adolescence.* Poster presented at the 2019 Organization of Human Brain Mapping conference in Rome, Italy.
24. **Perica, M.I**., O’Reilly, K.C., Fenton, A.A. (2015). *Learning-induced long-term changes as measured by Cytochrome Oxidase activity.* Poster presented at the NYU Undergraduate Research Conference, New York, NY.
25. **Perica, M.I.**, O’Reilly, K.C., Fenton, A.A.. (2014). *Cognitive control circuits in the gestational methylazoxymethanol (MAM) model of schizophrenia*. Poster presented at the NYU Summer Student Conference, New York, NY.

**Research Experience**

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| 2025 - present | **Postdoctoral Fellow**  Addiction Sciences Division, Department of Psychiatry, MUSC  Primary Investigator: Lindsay Squeglia, Ph.D.   * Postdoctoral training will focus on gaining expertise with multi-modal neuroimaging methods, big data methodology, advanced quantitative and statistical methods, and clinical trial methodology |
| 2024 – 2025 | **Predoctoral Psychology Intern Researcher**  Addiction Sciences Division, Department of Psychiatry, MUSC  Primary Investigator: Lindsay Squeglia, Ph.D.   * Intern year research project investigated how neurometabolites associated with key neural functions (e.g., plasticity) develop through adolescence and how adolescent alcohol use was associated with differences in metabolite levels * Gained knowledge in youth alcohol and substance use disorders; furthered knowledge in magnetic resonance spectroscopy methods |
| 2018 – 2024 | **Graduate Student Researcher**  Laboratory of Neurocognitive Development, University of Pittsburgh  Primary Investigator: Beatriz Luna, Ph.D.   * Research projects focused on how neurometabolites associated with plasticity change through adolescence and influence cognitive development, and how environmental factors may impact those developmental trajectories * Developed novel analytic and statistical pipeline to analyze 7T magnetic resonance spectroscopic imaging data (R01 MH067924) * Gained proficiency in neuroimaging methodology, R coding, longitudinal data analysis, mixed effects models |
| 2016 – 2018 | **Postbaccalaureate Intramural Research Training Award (IRTA) Fellow**  Systems Neuroscience Imaging Resource, NIH  Primary Investigator: Theodore Usdin, M.D., Ph.D.   * IRTA Fellow project centered on developing a novel pipeline for high-throughput imaging of neural tissue labeled to detect c-Fos to quantify and map activity patterns in mice at a larger and faster scale * Gained experience with mouse models, histology, CLARITY, microscopy, perfusion |
| 2013 – 2016 | **Research Assistant**  Neurobiology of Cognition Laboratory, NYU  Primary Investigator: Andre Fenton, Ph.D.   * RA project focused on examining how neural plasticity was altered in a rodent model of schizophrenia from adolescence to adulthood, and how aberrant plasticity impacted cognitive control   Gained experience with rodent behavioral tasks, histology, microscopy |

**Media Coverage**

1. Technology Networks (November 10, 2022). “Revealing the plastic landscape of the teen brain”
2. Neuroscience News (November 9, 2022). “A clearer picture of the developing teen brain”
3. Science Daily (November 8, 2022). “Scientists get clearer picture of developing teen brain”
4. UPMC News (November 8, 2022). “Scientists get clearer picture of developing teen brain: new evidence for neuroplasticity in frontal cortex during adolescence.”

**Clinical Experience**

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| 2025 | **Couples Therapy Clinic, Ralph H. Johnson VA**  *Supervisor*: Jenna Teves, Ph.D.  *Intervention*: provided individual Integrative Behavioral Couples Therapy and Emotion Focused Therapy for couples in person and via telehealth. Co-led communication skills groups for couples. |
| 2025 | **Trauma Resilience and Recovery Program, MUSC College of Nursing**  *Supervisor*: Tatiana Davidson, Ph.D.  *Intervention*: provided individual evidence based treatment for PTSD for children and adults, including Prolonged Exposure and Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. Conducted bedside interventions with patients recently inpatient hospitalized for a traumatic injury. |
| 2024 – 2025 | **Sleep, Mood, and Anxiety Research and Treatment Program, MUSC Institute of Psychiatry**  *Supervisors*: Joshua Tutek, Ph.D. and Ali Wilkerson, Ph.D.  *Intervention*: provided individual CBT for Insomnia for clients with sleep-related concerns and CBT and ERP for clients with anxiety disorders |
| 2024 – 2025 | **Pediatric and Adult Sickle Cell Disease Clinics, MUSC Rutledge Tower/Shawn Jenkin’s Children’s Hospital**  *Supervisor*: Rebecca Kilpatrick, Ph.D.  *Intervention*: conducted behavioral health screenings in outpatient Sickle Cell Disease clinics for pediatric and adult patients and provided individual therapy using CBT for Chronic Pain and ACT for adults living with sickle cell and substance use disorders |
| 2023 – 2024 | **Adult OCD Intensive Outpatient Program Practicum, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Western Psychiatric Hospital**  *Supervisors*: Leah Sufrin, PsyD and Rebecca Price, Ph.D.  *Intervention*: Co-led group therapy and provided individual therapy using primarily ERP with supportive CBT, DBT, and ACT skills to adults with moderate to severe OCD and anxiety disorders; consulted with psychiatrists on medication management; provided family therapy as necessary |
| 2022 – 2023 | **Affective Neuroscience and Developmental Psychopathology Lab Practicum, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center**  *Supervisor*: Erika Forbes, Ph.D.  *Assessment*: Conducted semi-structured interviews with young adults to determine affective disorder diagnoses and study eligibility using the SCID-5 and MADRS |
| 2022 – 2023 | **Environmental Context and Youth Mental Health Lab Practicum, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center**  *Supervisors*: Rachel Vaughn-Coaxum, Ph.D. & Tina Goldstein, Ph.D.  *Intervention*: Provided brief, manualized interventions to adolescents, including a four-session Problem Solving Therapy intervention and a two-session cognitive restructuring intervention  *Assessment*: Conducted semi-structured interviews with adolescents and their parents to determine affective disorder diagnoses and study eligibility using the KSADS, the DRS, C-SSRS, CTQ, and the STRAIN |
| 2022 – 2023 | **Center for Eating Disorders Practicum, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Western Psychiatric Hospital**  *Supervisor*: Rachel Kolko-Conlon, Ph.D.  *Intervention*: co-led group therapy for adolescent and adult patients with a variety of Eating Disorder diagnoses including Anorexia Nervosa, Bulimia Nervosa, and Binge Eating Disorder using Enhanced CBT, ACT, and DBT |
| 2021 – 2022 | **Helping Overcome Prodromal Experiences (HOPE) Team Practicum, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Western Psychiatric Hospital**  *Supervisors*: Dr. Leslie Horton and Dr. Lauren Bylsma  *Intervention*: provided individual therapy for adolescents at clinical high risk for psychosis using CBT for Psychosis with supportive ERP and DBT; consulted with psychiatrists on medication management; consulted with families and schools as necessary  *Assessment*: administered and observed the SIPS assessment, K-SADS, CY-BOCS, C-SSRS |
| 2019 – 2021 | **Clinical Psychology Center, University of Pittsburgh Department of Psychology**  *Supervisors:* Andrew Koffmann, Ph.D., Elizabeth Pacoe, Ph.D., Jill Cyranowski, Ph.D., Anna Marsland, Ph.D., RN  *Intervention*: provided individual therapy using CBT and ACT to adults in an outpatient mental health clinic with mild to moderate mood and anxiety disorders and chronic pain disorders; consulted with psychiatrists on medication management  *Assessment*: conducted semi-structured intake evaluations with adult clients using the mini-mental state examination; conducted neuropsychological assessments using the WAIS-IV, WASI, TOMM, Trails, FAS, BAI, BDI, MMPI |

**Specialized Training**

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| 2025  2025  2025  2024  2024  2024  2024  2024  2024  2023  2023 | Longitudinal Structural Equation Modeling, SMaRT Workshop  Structural Equation Modeling, SMaRT Workshop  5-day Integrative Behavioral Couple Therapy workshop, VA  1-day Written Exposure Therapy workshop, MUSC  2-day Prolonged Exposure workshop, MUSC  Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Web  2-day Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy workshop, MUSC  Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Insomnia (CBT-I) Web  1-day Basic Training in Child Trauma workshop, University of Pittsburgh  1 hour seminar on approaches to discussing firearm safety, University of Pittsburgh  1.5-hour seminar on mental health needs of LGBTQ+ communities, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2022 | Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale training, Columbia Light House Project |
| 2021 | 1-hour Motivational Interviewing training, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2021 | Semester-long weekly course in teaching of Psychology, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2020 | Telepsychology Best Practice 101, American Psychological Association |

**Research Mentorship**

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| 2021 – 2024 | Mentored an undergraduate honors thesis student, Anna Gillen, B.S. in Neuroscience   * Awarded Brackenridge Fellowship ($4000 stipend) for senior thesis research project |
| 2023 – 2024 | Organized and led a journal club for the undergraduate students and research assistants in the Laboratory of Neurocognitive Development |
| 2020 – 2022 | Mentored undergraduate students Sydney Galipeau, B.A. in Psychology and Jacqueline Joo, B.S. in Neuroscience |

**Teaching Experience**

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| Summer 2022 | Psychopathology Course Guest Lecturer  Topic: Developmental Psychopathology  University of Pittsburgh, Department of Psychology |
| Spring 2022 | Psychopathology Course Instructor  University of Pittsburgh, Department of Psychology |

**Service**

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| 2025  2021 – 2022 | MUSC Charleston Consortium Faculty Award Committee  University of Pittsburgh Graduate Education Committee |
| 2020 – 2022 | Pitt Science Policy Group Member |
| 2020 | Project SHORT Consultant (www.project-short.com) |
| 2020 | Peer Mentor, University of Pittsburgh |

**Professional Memberships**

Research Society on Alcohol

The International Society for Biomedical Research on Alcoholism

Flux Society

Organization for Human Brain Mapping

American Psychological Association

Society for Neuroscience

**Ad-Hoc Journal Reviewing**

Translational Psychiatry (co-reviewer)

Journal of Neuroscience

Biological Psychiatry: Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuroimaging

Developmental Psychobiology

Brain Imaging and Behavior