

DOCTORAL STUDENT · WRITER · TEACHER

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Education

The Graduate Center, City University of New York

New York, NY

Ph.D. IN BEHAVIORAL AND COGNITIVE NEUROSCIENCE (IN PROGRESS)

Aug. 2017 - Present

• Study emotion, psychopathy, and moral decision-making with Dr. Yu Gao

Ohio State University

Bachelor of Science cum laude in Neuroscience with Spanish minor

Columbus, OH Aug. 2012 - May 2016

• Studied at the Fundacion Jose Ortega Y Gasset in Toledo, Spain during summer term 2015

Teaching Experience_

Brooklyn College (CUNY) Psychology Dept.

New York, NY

TEACHING ASSISTANT

• Taught lab sections of a course on experimental psychology

Aug. 2018 - Present

- · Guided students as they designed, conducted, and wrote about their own psychological experiments
- Organized and led group discussions on concepts in psychology

Spanish Ministry of Education

Gijón, Spain

ASSISTANT TEACHER

Sep. 2016 - Jun. 2017

- · Taught science, technology, history, English, and US culture to over 150 students at IES Fernández Vallín, a secondary school
- Developed weekly lesson plans and activities, organized three class trips

Ohio State University Neuroscience Dept.

Columbus, OH

TUTOR

Aug. 2015 - May 2016

• Conducted weekly tutoring sessions for a group of 30 first- and second-year neuroscience undergraduates

Writing Experience_

Scripted Remote

WRITER, SPECIALIST

Jun. 2015 - Present

- · Write commissioned articles, copy, and blog posts related to science, medicine, technology, and education
- Consult with medical practices to answer patients' frequently asked questions and concisely explain medical conditions and treatments

Cactus Communications Remote

EDITOR

May 2016 - Sep. 2016

- · Edited scientific manuscripts for clarity and professionalism before submission to journals
- Formatted manuscripts in accordance with journal guidelines

Fisher Ink Columbus, OH

WRITING EDITOR, COPY EDITOR

Aug. 2015 - May 2016

- Wrote articles about intersection of science and business for a business-news magazine
- Managed a team of 8 writers, edited articles, and taught techniques to improve writing
- Proofread and copy edited magazine before printing to ensure quality

Technical Experience

Ohio State University Moritz College of Law

Columbus, OH

IT ASSISTANT

Aug. 2015 - May 2016

- Resolved technical issues related to student and faculty computers and mobile devices
- Updated and maintained classroom computers, printers, projectors, microphones, etc.
- Guided students and faculty through use of classroom technology

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 Apple
 Remote

Technical Support Advisor

May 2014 - May 2015

- Resolved technical issues regarding iOS and Mac OS devices
- Maintained customer satisfaction and issue resolution ratings in the 95th percentile

Additional Research Experience

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Dr. Richard Lu's Laboratory

Cincinnati, OH

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Jun. 2016 - Sep. 2016

- Conducted literature review and coauthored manuscript on the role of CHD8 in autism etiology and oligodendrocyte development
- Evaluated grant proposals, edited and advised on colleagues' oral presentations
- · Processed and imaged brain tissue using SWITCH protocol to observe protein and blood vessel distribution in developing brains

Ohio State University Neuroscience Dept., Dr. Brandon Turner's Laboratory

Columbus, OH

Undergraduate Researcher

Jan. 2015 - May 2016

· Conducted literature review and coauthored manuscript on the statistical modeling of multisensory integration and decision making

Ohio State University Psychology Dept., Dr. Daniel Strunk's Laboratory

Columbus, OH

Undergraduate Researcher

Jan. 2013 - May 2013

· Analyzed patient-therapist relationship in cognitive behavioral therapy sessions and engaged in peer-led data review

Invited Talks_

• A Beginner's Guide to the Neuroscience of Empathy. Presented at the Official Language School of Gijón. Gijón, Spain. May, 2017.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications

- C Zhao, C Dong, M Frah, Y Deng, C Marie, F Zhang, L Xu, Z Ma, X Dong, Y Lin, S Koenig, B Nait-Oumesmar, D Martin, LN Wu, M Xin, W Zhou, C Parras, QR Lu. (2018). Dual Requirement of CHD8 for Chromatin Landscape Establishment and Histone Methyltransferase Recruitment to Promote CNS Myelination and Repair. Developmental Cell.
- BM Turner, J Gao, **S Koenig**, D Palfy, and JL McClelland. (2017). The Dynamics of Multimodal Integration: The Averaging Diffusion Model. *Psychonomic Bulletin and Review*.

Professional Affiliations

- · Member, Society for Neuroscience
- Member, Society for Social Neuroscience

Skills

Lab Techniques Psychophysiological data collection, high-definition transcranial direct current stimulation (HD-tDCS)

Software AcqKnowledge, LaTex, Microsoft Office **Languages** English (Native), Spanish (Fluent)