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### **Education**

Present

Ph.D., Experimental Psychology, University of California, San Diego
Supervisors: Dr. Adena Schachner & Dr. Caren Walker

Dec 2019 **M.A., Experimental Psychology**, University of California, San Diego

May 2013 **B.S., Psychology**, Towson University Summa Cum Laude | GPA: 3.92

### **Grants and Funding**

2023 UCSD Center for Psychedelic Research's Research Excellence Fellowship (\$31,000),

Cognitive Development as a Model for the Effects of Psychedelics.

Supervisor: Caren Walker

2021 **UCSD Chancellor's Interdisciplinary Collaboratories** (\$30,000), Cognitive and Neural

Mechanisms Underlying Psilocybin-Assisted Therapy for Phantom Limb Pain.

Supervisor: Caren Walker

2020 UCSD Course Development and Instructional Improvement Program (\$4,836),

Enhancing the Psychology core methods curriculum: a new emphasis on computational

literacy, open-science practices, and project-based collaboration. Supervisor: Drs. Judy Fan, Emma Geller, Celeste Pilegard

### **Awards and Honors**

2023 2023 UCSD Anderson Teaching Award

2022 Barbara and Paul Saltman Excellent Teaching Award for Graduate Students

Norman Anderson Summer Research Fellowship

Norman Anderson Graduate Travel and Research Award

Cognitive Science Society Student Travel Award, The 41st Annual Meeting of the

Cognitive Science Society

### **Publications**

#### **Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

M. M. Sweeney, S. Nayak, **E. S. Hurwitz**, L. N. Mitchell, T. Cody Swift, R. R. Griffiths (2022). Comparison of Psychedelic and Near-Death or Other Non-Ordinary Experiences in Changing Attitudes About Death and Dying. *PloS one*, *17* (*8*), e0271926. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0271926">https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0271926</a>.

- A. K. Davis, J. M. Clifton, E. G. Weaver, **E. S. Hurwitz**, M. W. Johnson, R. R. Griffiths (2020). Survey of entity encounter experiences occasioned by inhaled N,N-dimethyltryptamine: Phenomenology, interpretation, and enduring effects. *Journal of Psychopharmacology*, *34* (9), 1008-1020. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1177/0269881120916143">https://doi.org/10.1177/0269881120916143</a>.
- R. R. Griffiths, **E. S. Hurwitz**, A. K. Davis, M. W. Johnson, R. Jesse (2019). Survey of subjective "God encounter experiences": Comparisons among naturally occurring experiences and those occasioned by the classic psychedelics psilocybin, LSD, ayahuasca, or DMT. *PloS one*, *14* (*4*), e0214377. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0214377">https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0214377</a>.
- F. S. Barrett, T. M. Carbonaro, **E. S. Hurwitz**, M. W. Johnson, R. R. Griffiths (2018). Double-blind comparison of the two hallucinogens psilocybin and dextromethorphan: effects on cognition. *Psychopharmacology*, *235* (*10*), 2915-2927. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s00213-018-4981-x">https://doi.org/10.1007/s00213-018-4981-x</a>.
  - T. M. Carbonaro, M. W. Johnson, **E. S. Hurwitz**, R. R. Griffiths (2018). Double-blind comparison of the two hallucinogens psilocybin and dextromethorphan: similarities and differences in subjective experiences. *Psychopharmacology*, *235* (2), 521-534. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s00213-017-4769-4">https://doi.org/10.1007/s00213-017-4769-4</a>.

#### **Peer-Reviewed Conference Publications**

E. S. Hurwitz, T. Brady, A. Schachner (2019). Detecting social transmission in the design of artifacts via inverse planning. *Proceedings of the 41st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*, 457-463. Montreal, CA: Cognitive Science Society.

### **Conference Presentations**

#### **Oral Presentations**

- 2023 **E. S. Hurwitz** (2023). Positive Programming: Effective Course Design and Assignments for Accessible Programming Courses. *PsychTERMS* 2023, Virtual Meeting.
- E. S. Hurwitz, T. Brady, A. Schachner (2019). Detecting Social Transmission in the Design of Artifacts Via Inverse Planning. *Cognitive Science Society*, Montreal, QC.

#### **Poster Presentations**

- 2020 **E. S. Hurwitz**, A. Schachner (2020). People use inverse planning to rationally seek social information from objects. *Cognitive Science Society*, Virtual Meeting.
- A. K. Davis, J. M. Clifton, E. S. Hurwitz, R. R. Griffiths (2018). Examining the acute subjective and persisting effects occasioned by N,N-dimethyltryptamine (DMT): A latent class analysis. *Johns Hopkins Bayview Research Symposium*, Baltimore, MD.
- 2017 **E. S. Hurwitz**, R. Jesse, M. W. Johnson, R. R. Griffiths (2017). A comparison of psilocybin-occasioned vs. naturally-occurring experiences of personal encounters with the divine. *Psychedelic Science*, Oakland, CA.

### **Invited Talks**

2017 <u>The Mycological Association Of Washington, DC.</u> – An overview of psilocybin research at *Johns Hopkins University* (Mar 2017)

### **Teaching Experience**

#### **Instructor of Record**

Psyc 193L - Introduction to R for Social Sciences Summer 2022 x2, Fall 2022, Summer 2023 x2

Psyc 111a - Honors Research Methods Winter 2023

Psyc 111b - Honors Research Methods II Spring 2023

### **Teaching Assistanceships**

Psyc 60 - Introduction to Statistics Summer 2018, Fall 2018, Summer 2019, Fall 2019

Psyc 111a - Honors Research Methods Winter 2020, Winter 2021, Winter 2022, Winter 2024

Psyc 111b - Honors Research Methods II Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2024

#### **Senior TA**

Sep 2019 — Jul 2023 University of California, San Diego Department of Psychology

#### **Summary of Responsibilities:**

- Be a source of information to the graduate community and to aid in any TA issues
- Coordinate departmental TA training each academic quarter and as needed
- Coordinate Mentor TAs and provide training on assisting their mentees on their lecture and providing feedback on the lecture
- Organize practice talks for first year graduate students
- Handle TA conflicts

### **Service, Outreach, and Professional Activities**

#### **Reviewer:**

Cognitive Science Society; Journal of Psychoactive Drugs; John Templeton Foundation

## **Clinical Experience**

**Research Program Coordinator** 

Jan 2014 — Sep 2017

Johns Hopkins University Behavioral Pharmacology Research Unit Supervisor: Dr. Roland Griffiths

<u>Effects of Hallucinogens and Other Drugs on Mood and Performance</u> (NCT02033707) <u>Effects of Psilocybin-facilitated Experience on the Psychology and Effectiveness of Professional Leaders in Religion</u> (NCT02243813)

- Serve as Session Monitor, providing clinical support and administering cognitive tasks to participants during active psilocybin and placebo drug sessions
- Design novel study instruments
- Manage all data collection
- Coordinate all study related responsibilities including communication between participants, study team members, and different study sites  $\,$
- Manage recruitment and advertising utilizing Google AdWords, Facebook Advertising, Website listings, Listervs, Magazine ads, and Radio ads