

**CURRICULUM VITAE**  
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**EDUCATION OBJECTIVE:**

- To gain graduate training and specialized research experience in the field of clinical neuropsychology, focusing on brain-behavior relationships to offer treatment options for patients suffering from brain impairments resulting in cognitive and neurological dysfunction.

**Education:**

- Psychology, B. A., California State University, Northridge, June 2010
- Cumulative GPA: 3.13; Major GPA: 3.6

**HONORS AND AWARDS:**

- California State University, Northridge Dean's list: Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Spring 2010
- Psi Chi Honor Society
- Second place winner for poster presentation at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate Research Competition by Psi Chi, May 2010
- Honorable mention for poster presentation at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate Research Competition by Psi Chi, May 2010

**SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES:**

Jacobson, A.J., & Stenquist, P.K. (anticipated 2011). *Apathy and executive performance in HIV-infected individuals*. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA.

Jacobson, A.J., Babush, M., Barrett, M.E., Swan, A.B., & Rutchick, A.M. (anticipated 2011). *Object priming: The effect of avdvl on the subjective experience of pain*. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA.

- Babush, M., Jacobson, A.J., Swan, A.B., & Rutchick, A.M. (anticipated 2011). *The effect of image priming on the subjective experience of pain*. Poster to be presented at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA.
- Rutchick, A.M., Jacobson, A.J., Babush, M., Swan, A.B., & Slepian, M.L. (anticipated 2011). *Subliminal priming decreases sensitivity to pain*. Poster to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychosomatic Society, San Antonio, TX.
- Jacobson, A. J., & Stenquist, P. K. (2010, May). *Apathy relates to neurocognitive performance in HIV-infected individuals*. Poster presented at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate Research Competition sponsored by Psi Chi, Northridge, CA.
- Sandoval, D., Shademani, P., Jacobson, A. J., Barrett, M., Sobel, P., & Youmans, R. J. (2010, May). *The effect of interruptions on design fixation and creative output*. Poster presented at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate Research Competition sponsored by Psi Chi, Northridge, CA.
- Jacobson, A. J., & Stenquist P. K. (2010, April). *Apathy relates to neurocognitive performance in HIV-infected individuals*. Presentation at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Research Conference sponsored by California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
- Sobel, P., Shademani, P., Jacobson, A. J., Barrett, M., Sandoval, D., & Youmans, R. J., (2010, April). *The effects of incubation periods on fixation and creativity*. Presentation at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Research Conference sponsored by California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
- Shademani, P., Jacobson, A. J., Sandoval, D., Sobel, P., Barrett, M., & Youmans, R. J. (2010, April). *Incubation effects on fixation and creative output*. Presentation at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Sigma Xi Student Research Symposium sponsored by California State University, Northridge.
- Stenquist, P. K., & Jacobson, A. J. (2010, February). *Neurocysticercosis: Pathology and neurocognition*. Presentation at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior, David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA.
- Jacobson, A. J., Toops, J., Walters, E., & Sobel, J. (2009, December). *Pushing the moral envelope: The interaction between priming and moral decisions*. Poster presented at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate Research Competition sponsored by Psi Chi, Northridge, CA.

Jacobson, A. J., Toops, J., Greenwood, N., & Walters, E. (2009, December). *Comparing auditory and visual list learning by free recall*. Poster presented at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate Research Competition sponsored by Psi Chi, Northridge, CA.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- Research Assistant in the Clinical Neuroscience Lab under Dr. Tyrone Cannon, Staglin Family Professor, Department of Psychology, Psychiatry, and Human Genetics at the University of California, Los Angeles, Summer 2010 – Summer 2011. Responsible for collecting structural and functional data for The North American Prodrome Longitudinal Study and Consortium for Neuropsychiatric Phenomics. Conducted fMRI data analysis, assisted in the development of neuropsychological tasks using E-Prime software and collected behavioral data for healthy control samples.
- Research Assistant in the Applied Social Cognition Laboratory under Dr. Abraham M. Rutchick, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology at California State University, Northridge, Spring 2010 – Fall 2010. Worked as a lead research assistant, responsible for experimental design, developing visual acuity tasks using DirectRT software, scheduling participants and data collection.
- Conducted research on learning and memory for an experimental psychology course.
- Conducted research on decision making for a social psychology course.
- Conducted research on emotion recognition for a brain and behavior psychology course.
- Conducted research on design fixation as a member of the California State University, Northridge, Psi Chi Research Team.
- Conducted research on apathy and executive functioning in HIV-infected patients with Dr. Philip K. Stenquist, Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences at the David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA.

**Clinical Work Experience**

- Assistant to Dr. Philip K. Stenquist, Fall 2009 – Fall 2011. Responsible for developing and organizing marketing material relevant to forensic psychology. Assisted in gathering research for lecture in PSY 453, Post Doctoral Seminar, Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior, David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA.

**OTHER EXPERIENCE:**

- HIPAA and CITI Certified (completed at UCLA, 6/24/10)
- MRI Safety Certified (completed at the Ahmanson-Lovelace Brain Mapping Center, UCLA, 7/20/10)
- Experience conducting scans on a 3T Siemens Trio MRI scanner
- Experience working with FUNC (Functional Neuroimaging Core)
- Experience using E-Prime Psychology Software
- Experience using DirectRT Psychology Software
- Experience with SPSS
- Experience with 10-20 EEG system for positioning electrodes for an electroencephalogram
- Experience with constructing genograms
- Bilingual – English / American Sign Language

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

- Stenquist Neurocognitive Laboratories, Assistant to Dr. Philip K. Stenquist, 04/09 to Present
- Action Family Counseling, Treatment Counselor, 10/10 to Present
- Romano's Macaroni Grill, Server/Bartender, 06/06 to 09/10
- Oak Tree Gun Club, Trap/Skeet puller, 01/01 to 05/04
- California Fresh Foods, Server/Night Manager, 05/99 to 06/04

**REFERENCES**

- Philip K. Stenquist, Ph.D. ABPP/CN, Clinical Faculty, David Geffen School of Medicine, University of California, Los Angeles, 90024.

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- Katherine H. Karlsgodt, Ph.D., Assistant Researcher, Department of Psychiatry, University of California, Los Angeles, 90095.

Voice: 310-794-9740; e-mail: kkarlsgo@ucla.edu

- Abraham M. Rutchick, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, California State University, Northridge, 91325.

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