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Education

University of California, Riverside
August 2012-Present
Ph.D., expected 2017
Advisor: Mary Gauvain, Ph.D.

University of North Florida
Bachelor of Science with Honors in Psychology major and concentration
in Child Psychology
GPA 3.96
Graduated Summa Cum Laude

Honors and Awards

Honorable Mention for the National Graduate Research Fellowships Program
from the National Science Foundation (2013)

Best poster award at Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists (2010)

Superlative Student Award for Students Transforming Academic Research
Symposium (2010)

Strong, Smart, and Bold Volunteer Award from Girls Inc. of Jacksonville (2010)

Outstanding Mentor of the Year from Jacksonville Jaguars Mentoring Foundation
(2009)

Chapters

Gauvain, M., & Nicolaides, C. (in press). Cognition in childhood across cultures.
Chapter to appear in L. Jensen (Ed.) *The Oxford Handbook of
Development and Culture Across the Lifespan*. New York: Oxford
University Press.

Presentations

Valente, M., **Nicolaidis, C.A.**, & Leone, C. (2010). "Friends or Enemies?: Effects of Thought, Schemas, and Need for Structure on Attitude Polarization." Poster presented at the 32nd Society of Southeastern Social Psychologists conference, Charleston, South Carolina.

Nicolaidis, C.A., Valente, M., & Leone, C. (2010). "Friends or Enemies?: a Closer Investigation of Effects of Thought, Schemas, and Need for Structure on Attitude Polarization." Poster presented at the 2nd Students Transforming Academic Research Symposium, Jacksonville, Florida.

Internships

Nemours BrightStart! Research and Evaluation Team (April 2011- December 2011). Nemours BrightStart! is an early intervention program that exists to ensure children at risk for reading delays begin school at the same level as their more advantaged peers. Research focused on emergent writing in prekindergarten children at risk for reading failure and impact of an early literacy intervention.

Girls Inc. of Jacksonville, Kindergarten and Second grade GIRLStart Literacy Program (2010- 2011). Girls Inc. is a nonprofit with a vision of empowering girls to be strong, smart, and bold through delivering research-based, age appropriate programs.

Volunteer

Jacksonville Jaguars Mentoring Program (2008-2010). This program pairs an honors college student with a local high school student at risk for academic failure to meet weekly for tutoring, attend cultural events, and prepare for college.

Fellowship

Chancellor's Distinguished Fellowship Award, University of California, Riverside, September 2012- June 2013

Scholarship

Florida Bright Futures Gold Scholar, 100% tuition paid (2008-2011)

University of North Florida Presidential Scholarship \$10,000 (2008-2011)

University of North Florida First Generation Scholar Scholarship (2009-2010)