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Education

- Current Ph.D. Psychology; Area of Focus: Developmental Psychology
Indiana University, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences
Advisor: Linda B. Smith
- 2015 B.A. Psychology; Minor: Contemporary Dance; GPA: 3.924/4.0
Indiana University, College of Arts and Sciences
Hutton Honors College

Honors and Scholarships

- 2016 Joint IEEE International Conference for Developmental Learning and
Epigenetic Robotics Student Travel Grant
- 2016 Provost's Travel Award for Women in Science
- 2015-present Indiana University Training Program in Integrative Developmental
Process – Fellow
- 2015 Phi Beta Kappa
- 2015 Graduation with Highest Distinction
- 2015 Graduation with Departmental Honors in Psychology
- 2011-2015 Cox Research Scholar, Indiana University's premier research based
scholarship for undergraduates
- 2011-2015 Indiana University National Merit Scholar
- 2011-2015 Indiana University Executive Dean's List
- 2012 Phi Eta Sigma and Alpha Lambda Delta National Honors Societies

Publications

Clerkin, E.M., Hart, E., Rehg, J., Yu, C., & Smith, L.B. (in press). Real-world visual statistics and infants' first-learned object names. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B*.

Conference Presentations

Clerkin, E.M., Hart, E., Rehg, J.M., Yu, C., & Smith, L.B. (2016). How everyday visual experience prepares the way for learning object names. Paper to be presented at the 6th Joint IEEE International Conference for Developmental Learning and Epigenetic Robotics, Paris, France.

Clerkin, E.M., Smith, L.B., & Yu, C. (2016). The natural visual statistics of objects matter in statistical word-referent learning. Paper to be presented at the 41st Boston University Conference on Language Development, Boston, MA.

Clerkin, E.M., Vales, C., & Smith, L.B. (2015). Category effects on visual perception in 3-year-old children. Poster presented at the 9th Biennial Meeting of the Cognitive Development Society, Columbus, OH.

Professional Development

2016 Workshop – *HomeBank* – New Orleans, LA

2015 Workshop – *Databrary* – Columbus, OH

Undergraduate Research Experience

2014-2015 *Honors Student*
Dr. Linda Smith's Cognitive Development Lab
Indiana University
Thesis: *Category Effects on Visual Perception in 3-Year-Old Children*

2013-2014 *Research Assistant to Catarina Vales*
Dr. Linda Smith's Cognitive Development Lab
Indiana University

Teaching and Mentorship Experience

2015-present *Supervisor to Undergraduate Research Assistants*
Cognitive Development Lab, Indiana University

Spring 2015 *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant to Dr. Robert Nosofsky*
Introduction to Psychology for Majors (P155), Indiana University

Leadership Activities

Aug 2016 **Boys and Girls Club**
Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences Tour Leader
Indiana University

Feb 2016 **Wonderlab Museum of Science, Health, and Technology**
"Your Amazing Brain" Program Volunteer
Bloomington, IN

2015-present **Center of Excellence for Women in Technology**
Member
Indiana University

Special Skills

Computer programming (MATLAB and R languages)