# Department of Psychology & Neuroscience 2016 Honors Graduates

## May 2016

#### **CUM LAUDE**

Emma Rosa, Uncovering the underlying essence of fatherhood: Psychological essentialism and perceptions of fathers, Advisor: Dr. Bernadette Park

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Solana Archuleta, Effect of withdrawal from chronic adolescent caffeine consumption on anxiety behaviors and the serotonin system, Advisor: Dr. Ryan Bachtell

Morgan Blaker, Developmental transitions in private speech: Implications for real world executive function, Advisor: Dr. Yuko Munakata

Alida Eide, Life happiness of women through exercise intervention, Advisor: Dr. Angela Bryan

Claire Koljack, The Brain Derived Neurotrophic Factor (BDNF) val66met polymorphism moderates the effect of subjective experience on long-term exercise maintenance, Advisor: Dr. Angela Bryan

Daniel Kusko, Learning effects on pain generalize to perceptually and conceptually similar cues and modify pain perception, Advisor: Dr. Tor Wager

Nicole Rumian, Exercise during the juvenile period produces long lasting stress protection potentially subserved by epigenetic alterations to the serotonergic system, Advisor: Dr. Monika Fleshner

Hayley Brown, The effects of interactive screen media and desirable difficulty on word learning in young children, Advisor: Dr. Eliana Colunga

Mary Roszel, Effect of learning environment on parent-child interaction and word learning, Advisor: Dr. Eliana Colunga

Ashley Schuett, Attention directs emotion: Directed attention drives emotional intensity and distinctiveness of facial perception, Advisor: Dr. Leaf Van Boven

#### **SUMMA CUM LAUDE**

Maryam Amini, Comorbidity between Alzheimer's disease and seizure episodes, Advisor: Dr. Michael Stowell

John Logan Brock, Sex differences in the efficacy of combined IL-10 and IL10R1 gene therapy for neuropathic pain in mice, Advisor: Dr. Linda Watkins

Levi Davis, Application of DTW Barycenter Averaging to finding EEG consensus sequences, Advisor: Dr. Tim Curran

Timothy Helmuth, *Methylation of the Brain Derived Neurotrophic Factor gene in Alcohol Use Disorder*, Advisor: Dr. Kent Hutchison

Hardik Patel, Investigating the sensitivity of juvenile social exploration at detecting the affective consequences accompanying chronic neuropathic pain, Advisor: Dr. Linda Watkins

Jessica Smith, *Multigenerational depression and anxiety influence maternal measures of stress*, Advisor: Dr. Serge Campeau

Blair Swearingen, Expression in the prefrontal cortex of male rats, and sex differences in stress-induced Cry1 expression in the hypothalamic suprachiasmatic and paraventricular nuclei of male and female rats, Advisor: Dr. Robert Spencer

Carly Carrasco-Wyant, *Disordered eating and exercise behaviors during university transition*, Advisor: Dr. Mark Whisman

Madeline Fritz, *The association between adolescent marijuana use and early adulthood depression*, Advisor: Dr. Soo Rhee

Joy Walters, Effects of trait anxiety and depression on working memory updating, Advisor: Dr. Akira Miyake

### December 2016

#### **CUM LAUDE**

Deyanira Enriquez, *Uncovering perceived threat on the basis of preferential attention to race*, Advisor: Dr. Josh Correll

Kelilani Johnson, Curiosity model for a novel behavioral measure of specific and diversive curiosity and its correlation to academic performance and religiousness and political interest and affiliation, Advisor: Dr. Matt Jones

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Kyle Kirkland, The effect of note taking media and preference on the cognitive processes involved in learning, Advisor: Dr. Alice Healy

Jessica Williams, Joint attention in toddler vocabulary acquisition, Advisor: Dr. Eliana Colunga

#### **SUMMA CUM LAUDE**

Aerin Scoles, Intimate relationship involvement, intimate relationship quality, and psychopathology among African American adolescents, Advisor: Dr. Mark Whisman

Jeremy Taylor, Absent or not?: classically conditioning spike-and-wave discharge in Sprague Dawley rat, Advisor: Dr. Dan Barth

Kathryn Rhoades, *Genetic and contextual influences on risky sexual behavior: dopamine polymorphisms*, Advisor: Dr. Mike Stallings