

Emma Murrugarra

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Education

Cornell University

Ph.D. in Human Development (in progress)

Aug. 2018 – Present

University of Kansas

B.A. in Human Biology, Psychology (departmental honors), and Philosophy

Jun. 2015 – May 2018

Research Interests

Mental Metaphor; Cultural Relativity; Bodily Relativity; Evolutionary Psychology; Network Modeling

Research Positions

Research Assistant

Dr. Rudolph Serbet's Collections Lab, University of Kansas
Biodiversity Institute & Natural History Museum

Feb 2017 – May 2018

Research Assistant

Dr. Ruth Ann Atchley's Cognitive Brain Sciences Lab, University of Kansas

May 2016 – May 2018

Lab Manager

Dr. Omri Gillath's Social Interactions Lab, University of Kansas

May 2016 – May 2018

Research Assistant

Dr. Omri Gillath's Social Interactions Lab, University of Kansas

Jan. 2016 – May 2018

Research Assistant

Dr. Christopher Ramey's Cognition Lab, University of Kansas

Aug. 2016 – Dec. 2017

Teaching Experience

Certified Tutor

TRIO and Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, University of Kansas

Aug. 2017 – May 2018

- Courses: Principles of Genetics, Principles of Organismal Biology, Evolutionary Biology, Fundamentals of Physical Anthropology, Behavioral Neuroscience, Cognitive Neuroscience, American Sign Language I & II, Statistics in Psychological Research

Presentations

Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2018, April). *Embodiment in Sign Language: What ASL Can Teach Us about Emotion and Metaphor in Language*. Poster session presented at the Symposium for Undergraduate Psychology Engagement and Research at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.

Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2018, April). *Embodiment in Sign Language: What ASL Can Teach Us about Emotion and Metaphor in Language*. Oral talk presented at the Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.

- Murrugarra, E. (2018, April). *Minding Evolution: The Role of Emergentism in Defining What It Means to Have a Mind*. Paper presented at the Minorities in Philosophy Conference at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- Murrugarra, E. & Ramey, C. (2017, November). *Character Imagery and Narrative Transportation*. Oral talk presented at the Undergraduate Research Seminar in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2017, October). *The Role of Menstrual Hormone Regulation: A Longitudinal Study Using Amazon Mechanical Turk*. Poster presented at the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science Conference in Salt Lake City, UT.
- Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2017, September). *The Role of Menstrual Hormone Regulation: A Longitudinal Study Using Amazon Mechanical Turk*. Oral talk presented at the McNair Heartland Conference in Kansas City, MO.
- Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2017, July). *The Role of Menstrual Hormone Regulation: A Longitudinal Study Using Amazon Mechanical Turk*. Poster session presented at the Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2017, July). *The Role of Menstrual Hormone Regulation: A Longitudinal Study Using Amazon Mechanical Turk*. Oral talk presented at the McNair Symposium at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2017, April). *Looking at Differences in Female Mental Health: The Role of Menstrual Hormone Regulation*. Poster session presented at the Symposium for Undergraduate Psychology Engagement and Research at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2017, April). *Looking at Differences in Female Mental Health: The Role of Menstrual Hormone Regulation*. Oral talk presented at the Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- Murrugarra, E. & Atchley, R. (2017, March). *Looking at Differences in Female Mental Health: The Role of Menstrual Hormone Regulation*. Poster session presented at the Great Plains Student Convention in Psychology Fort Hays at Fort Hays State University, Fort Hays, KS.
- Murrugarra, E. (2017, January). *Overcoming Fear in Research*. Oral talk presented at Rock Chalk Talk at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.

Honors and Awards

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| Deans Excellence Fellowship, Cornell University. | Aug. 2018 |
| Ronald E. McNair Challenger Award, University of Kansas | May 2018 |
| Senior Award for Outstanding Performance, KU Department of Psychology | May 2018 |
| Warner Morse Prize in Ethics, KU Department of Philosophy. Amount: \$200 | Apr. 2018 |
| Undergraduate Research Award, University of Kansas. Amount: \$1,000 | Jan. 2017 |
| Jessie Marie Cramer Scholarship, Greater Kansas City AOII Alumnae Chapter, Amount: \$1,500 | Aug. 2017 |
| Travel Scholarship to National Diversity in STEM Conference, Society for Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science. Amount: ~\$500 | June 2017 |
| Pi Beta Phi Education Foundation Grant. Amount: \$5,000 | May 2017 |
| Undergraduate Research Award, University of Kansas. Amount: \$1,000 | May 2017 |
| Robert Tweed Hersh Memorial Award in Human Biology, University of Kansas. Amount: \$1,000 | May 2017 |

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| Best Independent Research Award, Symposium for Undergraduate Psychology Engagement and Research, University of Kansas. | <i>May 2017</i> |
| Outstanding Research Presentation Award, Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Kansas. Amount: \$50 | <i>Apr. 2017</i> |
| Undergraduate Research Award, University of Kansas. Amount: \$1,000 | <i>Jan. 2017</i> |
| Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship, University of Kansas. Amount: \$500 | <i>Aug. 2015</i> |
| Honors Presidential Scholarship, Waived Tuition at Kansas City Kansas Community College. Amount: ~\$9,000 | <i>Jun. 2014</i> |

Professional Service and Community Outreach

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| Undergraduate Research Mentor Award Committee, University of Kansas | <i>Apr. 2018</i> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve on committee alongside staff, faculty, and fellow senior students to review nominations for university-recognized mentorship awards | |
| Kansas School for the Deaf | <i>Aug. 2017 – May 2018</i> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborate with educational administrators to design research studies that accurately captures needs and representation of the D/deaf community | |
| Natural History Museum & Biodiversity Institute, University of Kansas | <i>Jul. 2017 – May 2018</i> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with child population to promote engagement and education in natural science through fossil digs and lab-based experiments | |
| Community Health Council | <i>Dec. 2014 – Dec. 2016</i> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel to Peru annually to offer medical care and mental health education alongside collecting health data among native Amazonian communities | |

Additional Training and Skills

Computer

- SPSS analysis software, R, Python, E-Prime, SuperLab, Qualtrics administration software, Amazon Mechanical Turk, SONA

Physical Data Collection

- Electroencephalography (EEG), Mindware, BioLab

Languages

- English (native), Spanish (high proficiency), American Sign Language (medium proficiency)