

# Delaney E. Mendoza

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## EDUCATION

### Clemson University

*Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, (Minor in Russian Area Studies)*

*Bachelor of Arts in Modern Languages, Spanish Emphasis*

Cumulative GPA 3.46/4.0

Clemson, SC

May 2024

May 2024

### Universidad de Alicante

*Study abroad transfer semester*

Alicante, Spain

Spring 2023

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## CERTIFICATIONS & AWARDS

**Global Seal of Biliiteracy with Functional Fluency** (*English and Spanish*)

March 2024

**Dean's List**

Fall 2023

**Palmetto Fellows Scholar**

2020-2024

**Presidential Scholar**

2020-2024

**RN Taylor Family Scholar**

2020-2024

**Clemson Palmetto Pact Scholar**

2020-2024

**Orange Carpet Scholar**

2020-2024

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## SKILLS

**Language Skills:** Verbal and written communication (presentations, public speaking, report writing, documentation), Intermediate-advanced Spanish

**Technical Skills:** MS Office, Google Workspace, Qualtrics, Datavyu, Beginner competency in Java, MATLAB, and R

**Soft Skills:** Diligence, Professionalism, Attention to Detail, Empathy, Creativity, Integrity

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## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant**, *Developmental Dynamics Lab, Psychology Laboratory*

May 2024 - Present

University of Georgia, Department of Psychology

Dr. Drew Abney, Lab Director

Christian Jerry, Psychology Graduate Student Mentor

In my role as a Research Assistant in the Developmental Dynamics Lab, under the guidance of Dr. Drew Abney and the mentorship of Christian Jerry, I have actively contributed to our mission of investigating how behaviors and social interactions impact developmental trajectories from infancy through toddlerhood. My responsibilities include:

- **Infant Pose Coding:** Reviewed videos of parent-infant dyads and coded positions of the child with correlating timestamps in Datavyu. Meticulous attention to detail contributed to the reliability of our data analysis in looking at movement of infants, as well as the training of a machine learning software to track movement through the use of accelerometry.
- **Session Notebook Data Entry:** Reviewed and transferred handwritten data collected in notebooks by participants at different sessions into online spreadsheets. Utilized MATLAB to standardize data for use in analysis.

- **Weekly Meeting Participation:** Actively participated in weekly meetings, where I provided updates on coding progress and collaborated with fellow team members. These meetings served as a platform for discussing project developments and fostering effective communication within the research team.
- **Project design and implementation:** Reviewed dataset from previous study (Family Interaction Project) and initiated a secondary analysis under the guidance of Dr. Abney to address a question not posed with the dataset previously. This analysis is currently in progress.

### Clinical Practicum

January - May 2024

Greenville Memorial Hospital, *Pediatric Hematology and Oncology Unit*

Dr. Cortney Rieck, PsyD, Mentor

Dr. Maria McDaniels, PsyD, Mentor

During my clinical practicum at Greenville Memorial Hospital's Pediatric Hematology and Oncology Unit, I acquired substantial observational experience in delivering psychological care to children and adolescents. I observed a variety of clinical activities, including intake assessments, therapy sessions, cognitive testing and behavioral consultations tailored to young patients. This exposure enabled me to understand the unique developmental and emotional needs of pediatric patients and to witness the integration of psychological assessments with treatment planning. I developed key skills in observing child and family interactions, documenting clinical observations, and participating in interdisciplinary team meetings. Through detailed feedback from experienced practitioners, I refined my report-writing abilities and gained a deeper understanding of effective interventions in pediatric settings.

Notable competencies gained through this opportunity include:

- **Observational Learning:** Gained comprehensive insights into various aspects of the supervisor's role, including intake sessions, regular consultations, inpatient and outpatient care, and annual check-ins with survivors.
- **Exposure to Neuropsychology:** Observed cognitive testing, intake, and feedback sessions with a neuropsychologist, enriching understanding of specialized assessment methods.
- **Report Writing Skills:** Developed proficiency in writing detailed reports using Data-Assessment-Plan (DAP) and Subjective-Objective-Assessment-Plan (SOAP) formats, enhancing documentation and analytical skills.
- **Feedback & Reflection:** Engaged in thoughtful review of observed sessions with mentor, receiving constructive feedback and refining observational and analytical thought processes.

### Undergraduate Research Project

Spring 2022

Clemson University, Department of Psychology

Dr. Ben Stephens, Professor and Mentor

As an undergraduate student at Clemson, I was able to design and execute a research study under the direction of a faculty member, Dr. Stephens. The paper for my study on context dependent effects on learning in college students is attached under the experience tab of my online portfolio, which is linked above. My responsibilities and takeaways from this experience are as follows:

- **Design & Execution:** Experienced in developing and implementing comprehensive survey-based research studies, including formulating research questions, designing questionnaires, and ensuring methodological rigor. Proficient in managing the entire data collection process, from recruiting human participants to administering surveys and analyzing results using statistical tools.
- **Project and Participant Management:** Capable of overseeing all aspects of the research project, including timeline management, and resource allocation. Skilled in engaging and interacting with participants, ensuring ethical standards are maintained and obtaining informed consent.

- **Communication Skills:** Effective in presenting research findings clearly and concisely to diverse audiences, including professors and academic peers.
- **Attention to Detail:** Demonstrated ability to maintain high standards of accuracy and reliability in survey design, data collection, and analysis.
- **Ethical Considerations:** Well-versed in ethical guidelines and best practices for conducting research involving human subjects, ensuring compliance with institutional and legal standards.

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## CAMPUS & COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT

### Xi Chapter of Alpha Omega Epsilon

2022-present

*Professional and Social sorority for women in STEM. Member of multiple committees.*

As an active member of Alpha Omega Epsilon Sorority, I engaged in a range of leadership and community service activities that honed my organizational and interpersonal skills. I participated in and helped coordinate philanthropic events, fostering strong teamwork and project management abilities. My role involved collaborating with fellow sisters to plan and execution chapter meetings, fundraisers, and community outreach initiatives, enhancing my skills in event planning and execution. Through these experiences, I developed a deep sense of commitment, effective communication, and the ability to work collaboratively towards common goals. My involvement also provided valuable opportunities for personal growth and networking, contributing to my overall professional and leadership development.

### Clemson Barbell Club

2020-2024

Member of the Clemson Barbell Club, a student run organization that promotes health and wellness in the form of powerlifting style weight training. Helped create a fostering environment for all individuals in the powerlifting community. With the support of this club and its community I have competed in multiple USA Powerlifting meets, most recently representing Clemson University at Collegiate Nationals in April of 2024.

### Community Theatre

2011-2020

Nearly 10 years of involvement in community-based theatre productions, each with rigorous schedules resulting in over 75 performances. I have cultivated a robust skill set in both on-stage and behind-the-scenes roles. My involvement spans various capacities, including acting, directing, and costume design, with a focus on delivering compelling performances and seamless productions.

- **Acting:** Performed in multiple productions, showcasing versatility in roles ranging from classical to contemporary works. Demonstrated strong character development, emotional depth, and adaptability to diverse scripts and styles.
- **Costume Design:** Directed and oversaw the design and production of costumes and wardrobe for several productions that enhanced character portrayal and visual storytelling. Collaborated with directors and actors to ensure costumes met artistic vision while accommodating practical needs. Coordinated backstage repairs for smooth show operations and implemented effective problem-solving strategies to address on-the-fly challenges and ensure uninterrupted performances.
- **Directing:** Successfully directed several plays, guiding actors through rehearsals and shaping performances to align with artistic vision. Managed blocking, set design, and coordination of technical elements to ensure cohesive and impactful presentations.
- **Collaboration:** Worked closely with playwrights, designers, castmates and other theater professionals to bring creative projects to life. Fostered a collaborative environment that encouraged creative input and teamwork.
- **Event Coordination:** Organized and executed theater events, including fundraisers and community outreach programs, enhancing audience engagement and supporting the sustainability of theater initiatives.

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## OTHER EXPERIENCE

## Yoga Instructor and Personal Wellness Coach

July 2019 - Present

Movement, Mindfulness and Me LLC

As a dedicated Yoga Instructor with 5 years of experience after the completion of my 200-hour training certification, I have honed my skills in guiding diverse groups and individuals through physical and mental wellness practices. My role involved designing and leading classes that cater to various skill levels and fostering an inclusive and supportive environment. Through my work, I developed strong interpersonal and communication skills, effectively motivating and inspiring clients to achieve their personal health and fitness objectives. Additionally, I gained expertise in tailoring wellness plans, addressing individual needs, and promoting holistic well-being, which enhanced my ability to manage and resolve client concerns with empathy and professionalism. My experience in yoga instruction has also refined my organizational and multitasking abilities. Some key skills I've gained from this experience:

- **Class Design & Leadership:** Expert in creating and guiding yoga sessions tailored to various skill levels, emphasizing proper alignment, breath work, and overall wellness, providing thoughtful adjustments and modifications.
- **Effective Communication:** Capable of articulating complex concepts clearly and motivating clients through positive reinforcement and supportive feedback.
- **Client Relationship Building and Conflict Resolution:** Adept at fostering a welcoming environment and establishing strong, trust-based relationships with clients. Experienced in addressing and resolving client concerns with empathy and professionalism.
- **Organizational Efficiency:** Proficient in managing class schedules, handling administrative tasks, and ensuring smooth operational flow.

## Waitress and Bartender

Copper Premium Pub  
The Smokin' Pig, Pendleton, SC

May - August 2022  
January 2024 – Present

With extensive experience in waitressing and bartending, I have developed a robust set of skills that are highly transferable to various professional and academic environments. Key skills acquired include:

- **Customer Service Excellence:** Demonstrated ability to deliver exceptional service in high-paced settings, addressing customer needs with a positive and solution-oriented approach.
- **Multitasking & Efficiency:** Proficient in managing multiple tasks simultaneously, including order taking, food and drink preparation, and handling transactions, while maintaining high standards of service.
- **Communication & Interpersonal Skills:** Effective in engaging with diverse clientele, fostering positive interactions, and resolving conflicts with tact and professionalism.
- **Team Collaboration:** Experienced in working seamlessly with colleagues to ensure smooth operations and a cohesive team environment.
- **Problem-Solving:** Adept at handling unexpected issues, from managing service delays to addressing customer complaints, with composure and resourcefulness.
- **Attention to Detail:** Ensured accuracy in order processing, payment handling, and adherence to safety and cleanliness standards.

## Data Entry Quality Assurance

March - June 2020

LPL Financial

During my time at LPL Financial, I played a key role in the operations of the company in establishing new accounts. I entered data while checking for errors in account profiles and created analysis spreadsheets. I interacted with team leadership and presented my progress on multiple occasions. Due to my success, I was given the opportunity to take the next steps in creating training materials regarding the position I performed, which I then used to assist members of my team. Some of the key highlights of my contributions:

- **Team Training and Guidance:** Took charge of training and guiding new employees, ensuring they were equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their roles. I fostered a positive and collaborative work environment, contributing to team cohesion.
- **Data Entry and Analysis:** Made use of Microsoft office skills to enter and check data for errors, as well as create analyses in the form of graphs and tables to present findings to management.