***Marissa J. Renee***

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***Education***

2024- Present University of Maryland College Park, Neuroscience and Cognitive Science, PhD

2018-2023 Georgia Southern University, Experimental Psychology, B.S.

Honors College Scholar, 3.6 GPA

***Research Experience***

2024-present Graduate Research Assistant, Caras Lab

University of Maryland, College Park

Biology Department, College of Computer, Mathematics, and Natural Sciences

Faculty Advisor: Melissa Caras, PhD

2022-2024 Research Assistant, Social, Cultural, Interpersonal Process Lab

Georgia Southern University

Psychology Department, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Faculty Advisor: Virginia Wickline, PhD

2023-2024 Research Assistant (Founding Member) Developmental Psychobiology Lab

Georgia Southern University

Psychology Department, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Faculty Advisor: Joshua Herrington, PhD

2022-2023 Research Coordinator, WeightWatchers Improving Nutrition Study

Georgia Southern University

Jiann- Ping Hsu College of Public Health

Faculty Advisor: Ana Palacios, MD, PhD

2022-2023 Research Assistant, REI-CAS Lab

Georgia Southern University

Psychology Department, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Faculty Advisor: Joshua Williams, PhD

***Teaching Experience***

2022 Undergraduate Teaching Assistant,

Courses: PSYC Research and Analysis I, II, and corresponding lab courses.

Content: SPSS, t-tests, ANOVA, Spearman and Pearson correlations, research

Practices, peer review, mentorship and pedagogy

Faculty Advisor: Virginia Wickline, PhD

***Writings & Projects***

***Completed Works***

Renee, Marissa J., "Perceptions of Tourism and Quality of Life: A Case Study in Savannah, Georgia" (2023). *Honors College Theses*. 854.

<https://digitalcommons.georgiasouthern.edu/honors-theses/854>

***Research Presentations***

***Oral Talks***

2023 \*Georgia Southern University, Armstrong, Spring GS4 Research Symposium

Oral Presentation title: *Perceptions of Tourism and Quality of Life: A Case*

*Study in Savannah, Georgia*

Faculty advisors: Virginia Wickline, Elizabeth Rahilly, Edward Rinalducci

\***Awarded Best Undergraduate Presentation, Runner Up**

***Poster Sessions***

2023 Spring GS4 Research Symposium, Georgia Southern University, Armstrong

Poster title:*Correlations of Pseudoscientific Belief Systems*

Faculty advisors: Joshua L. Williams, Ph.D, Nancy McCarley, Ph.D.

2023 Southeastern Psychological Association Annual Conference, Psi Chi

Undergraduate Poster Session

Poster title: *Regional Differences in Collegiate Substance Abuse*

Faculty advisor: Virginia Wickline, PhD

2022 Honors Spring Research Symposium, Georgia Southern University, Armstrong

Presentation title: *Perceptions of Tourism and Quality of Life: A Case Study (Preliminary)*

Faculty advisors: Virginia Wickline, Elizabeth Rahilly, Edward Rinalducci

***Professional Presentations & Invited Seminars***

2023 Department of Psychology, Armstrong, Georgia Southern University

*Making the Most of Your College Experience: Careers, Ethics, and Professionalism in Psychology*

Invited Alumni Panelist to Speak to Undergraduate Students

2022 Classroom Practicum, Department of Psychology, Armstrong, Georgia Southern.

*Think Like A Researcher: Basics of Statistics in Research*

Faculty advisors: Virginia Wickline, PhD

***Awards, Honors & Grants***

2023 Best Undergraduate Presentation, Runner Up, College of Behavioral and Social

Sciences

2023 Georgia Southern Research Travel Grant

2023 Honors Undergraduate Research Travel Award (Georgia Southern University)

2018-2023 Dean's List, Georgia Southern University

2021 President’s List, Georgia Southern University (Fall Semester)

2021-2023 Georgia Southern Honors Continuing Student Scholarship Recipient

2021 Georgia Southern Sociology Spark Award

2020-present Psi Chi Honors Society in Psychology

***Community Service, Leadership, and Professional Experience***

2023-2024 Behavioral Health and Nutrition Coordinator - Beaufort Jasper Hampton

Comprehensive Health System, South Carolina

2023 Peer Mentor - Georgia Southern University, Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public

Health

2022 Founder/President- Georgia Southern University - Psychology Book Club

2020 Research Intern, Step Up Savannah, Savannah, GA

2019 Student Consultant - City Council Election Forum - Georgia Southern University,

College of Anthropology and Sociology

2018- 2020 Founder/President - Georgia Southern University - Political

Engagement Organization

2018-2019 Intern, League of Women’s Voters of Coastal Georgia, Savannah, GA