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CURRENT POSITION

Fellow, Department of Clinical Bioethics, National Institutes of Health

EDUCATION

Duke University, Durham, NC (2001-2005)

BS, Psychology, with a Concentration in Neuroscience. Minor in Spanish. *Summa Cum Laude*.

GPA: 3.95 Overall, 3.98 in Psychology.

WORK & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Brain Imaging and Analysis Center, Duke University, Durham, NC (Independent Researcher) 2005

- Independently studying gender differences in Parkinsonian symptomology
- Collaborating with EEG and fMRI studies of Parkinsonian cognition

Brain Imaging and Analysis Center, Duke University, Durham, NC (Research Assistant) 2004-2005

- Conducted EEG and fMRI studies of Parkinsonian cognition. Working towards publication.
- Recruited subjects, managed experiment protocol, and performed data analysis

Talent Identification Program, Duke University, Durham, NC (Teaching Assistant: The Foundations of Artificial Intelligence) 2003

- Instructed gifted high school students in academically intense summer program

Computer Science Department, Duke University, Durham, NC (Teaching Assistant: Program Design and Analysis) 2002-2003

- Instructed introductory computer science undergraduate students in C++ programming

TRAINING & RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Fellowships & Internships

- **Howard Hughes Fellow for Neuroscience,**
Duke University, Durham, NC 2005

Group of undergraduate neuroscience students developing independent study projects with funding from Duke University.

- **Health Careers Internship Program,**
Duke University, Durham, NC 2005

Assisted medical staff in the Emergency Department of Duke University hospital, especially in facilitating communication with Spanish-speaking patients.

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Publications & Abstracts

Denny, CC & Emanuel EJ. (2006) "Physician-Assisted Suicide Among Oregon Cancer Patients": A Fading Issue. *Journal of Clinical Ethics*, 17 (1): 39-42.

Jurkowski, A.J., Kuo, P., Denny, C.C., Meck, W.H. (2005). *Dopamine Levels in Young, Aged, and Parkinson's Adults Predicts Behavioral and Electrophysiological Measures of Color and Temporal Perception*. Society for Neuroscience 35th Annual Meeting Abstracts.

Talks & Presentations

"Defining and Dealing with "Vulnerability" in Human Subject Research." April 7, 2006. Clinical Anesthesiology Research Endeavors, Duke University Hospital. Durham, NC.

"An Introduction to Bioethics: The Surfaxin Trial." February 28, 2006. With Chatham Hall School students at NIH. Bethesda, MD.

"Gender Differences in Parkinson's Disease Symptomology." April 2005. Poster Presentation at Visible Thinking: A Presentation of Undergraduate Research. Durham, NC.

GRANTS & HONORS

Grants

- **Undergraduate Research Support Grant** 2005
Funding promoting independent undergraduate research work with Parkinson's disease patients.
- **Undergraduate Research Support Assistantship** 2004
Funding promoting undergraduate research work with EEG and fMRI studies of Parkinson's disease patients.
- **Duke University Arts & Sciences Research Council Grant** 2004
Funding to continue fMRI research on interval timing perception in Parkinsonian patients.

Honors

- **Phi Beta Kappa, 2004**
- **Rhodes Scholarship Finalist, MD/DC Region, 2004**
- **Sterling Silver Rose Scholarship, 2005**
Presented by Theta Nu Xi, Multicultural Sorority
- **Giles Mentor, 2004-2005**
Upperclassman mentor to the Alice M. Baldwin Scholars
- **MacAnderson Scholarship, 2003**
Presented by Duke Study Abroad Program
- **Dean's List and Dean's List with Distinction, All semesters, 2001-2005**
- **Panhellenic Club of Annapolis Scholarship, 2001**

ACTIVITIES & EXTRACURRICULAR INTERESTS

- **Theater Production: Musical, Dramatic, and Shakespearean**
- **Choral Singing**
- **Women's Issues and Pro-Choice Political Activism**
- **Second-Language English Instruction for Spanish-speakers**

OTHER SKILLS

- **Fluent Spanish**
- **Computer experience with Windows and Mac OS platforms; Word, Powerpoint and Excel software; and MatLab, HTML, and C++ programming languages**