

# Ava McVey

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## EDUCATION

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### **2021- Present, Ph.D. student in Human Factors Psychology**

Clemson University

GPA: 4.0

### **B. A., 2021, Psychology**

Manchester University

GPA: 3.9, Honors Program

## EMPLOYMENT

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### **2022 – Research Assistant, Clemson University Institute for Engaged Aging**

- Collect data, create positive rapport with participants, data analysis, research dissemination
- Mentor undergraduate students in the lab

### **2021 – 2022 Teaching Assistant, Clemson University**

- Grade assignments, assist in teaching, meet with students

### **2018 – 2021 Psychological Testing Assistant, Russell Coulter-Kern, Ph.D., LMHC**

- Collect client data, administer and score WISC-V, WMS-IV, SDS, BASC-II, NelsonDenny, TONI-4, and NEO, use PsychCorp and Q-Interactive, generate referrals

### **2018 – 2021 Student Assistant, Manchester University Psychology Department**

- Grade assignments, generate course feedback and assist students, consult with instructional design specialist, develop Canvas courses

### **2019 – 2020 Research Intern, Manchester University Office of Institutional Effectiveness**

- Equity analysis and first year experience profile

### **2018 Research Intern, Manchester University Psychology Department,**

- Collected, scored and analyzed data for a research project about social fear learning using Galvanic Skin Response

## 2018 Peer Tutor, Manchester University,

- Provided one-on-one tutoring for Intro to Psychology

## RESEARCH

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**Clemson Institute for Engaged Aging**, Preventing Alzheimer's Disease with Cognitive Training (PACT) Study research staff.

**Clemson Institute for Engaged Aging**, Elucidating the Necessary Active Components of Training (ENACT) Study research staff.

**Honors Thesis**, *The Effects of Carceral Geography on Inmate Well-Being and Behavior*

**Independent Research Group**, *Recovery and Smartphone Use: The Influence of Self-Regulation on Student Behavior*

**Manchester Psychology Department**, Remote Learning Analysis: NVivo analysis of student feedback during university response to COVID-19, presented to Office of Institutional Affairs, Manchester University Vice President of Student Life and faculty

**Manchester Psychology Department**, Wabash Community Foundation Analysis

**Manchester Psychology Department**, STEM peer mentorship program evaluation

## PAPERS

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Phillips, C. B., **McVey, A.**, Sprague, B. N., Cooper, K., Stephan, A. T., & Ross, L. A. (under review). Predictive utility of four instrumental activities of daily living assessments and cognitive status changes among cognitively intact older adults.

Stephan, A. T., **McVey, A.**, Steele, T., Cooper, K., Phillips, C. B., & Ross, L. A. (2024). Older adults' perceptions of cognitive, physical, and exergame training: A mixed methods investigation of a four-armed randomized controlled pilot trial. *Games for Health Journal*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1089/g4h.2023.0208>

Phillips, C. B., **McVey, A.**, Tian, J., Stephan, A. T., Davis, W. B., Aflagah, E. L., & Ross, L. A. (2023). Feasibility of a pilot dyadic randomized controlled trial testing the effects of three behavioral interventions on older adults' cognitive, physical and everyday function. *Frontiers in Aging*, 4, 1166338.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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**McVey, A.,** Stephan, A., Cooper, K., Steele, T., Phillips, C., Gamaldo, A., Ross, L., (November 2023). *Development and Acceptability of a Mobile App for Monitoring Everyday Functional Abilities*. Presented at Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference. Tampa, FL.

Phillips, C., Stephan, A., **McVey, A.,** Tian, J., Freed, S., Ross, L., (April 2022). *Preliminary effects of three behavioral interventions on functional outcomes in older adults: Results from the Cognitive and Physical Exercise Study (CAPES)*. Presented at Cognitive Aging Conference. Atlanta, GA.

**McVey, A.,** Miller, G., (April 2019). *The Effect of Shared Political Identity on Empathic Responding and Observational Fear Learning*. Presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL and Student Research Symposium. North Manchester, IN.

Curie, T., **McVey, A.,** Miller, B. (Spring 2019). *Perceptions of Alcohol Usage and Students' Drinking Patterns Effect on Well-Being*. Presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL and Student Research Symposium. North Manchester, IN.

Correll, S., Williams-Bradley, Blanchard, K., **McVey, A.,** Malin, G. (April 2019). *How do College Resources Influence Belonging and Well-Being Among First-Year Students?* Presented at the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL and Student Research Symposium. North Manchester, IN.

**McVey, A.,** Eichenauer, C., Johnson, T., Evans, J., Harris, E. (April 2019). *Screen Time? It's a screen Crime. Smartphone Use Predicts Phone Addiction, Telepressure, and GPA*. Presented at the Student Research Symposium. North

Curie, T., **McVey, A.** (Spring 2021). *The Relationship Between Objective Smartphone Use, Student Recovery, and Self-Regulation*. Presented virtually, Spring 2021 at the Midwestern Psychological Association.

**Mcvey, A.,** Miller, B., Coulter-Kern, M. (Spring 2021). *Understanding Student Experiences During the COVID-19 Pandemic*. Presented virtually, Spring 2021 at the Midwestern Psychological Association.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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2017–2021, Manchester University Dean's List

2017–2021, Manchester University Presidential Scholarship

2022, 2023 Clemson University Travel Grant: \$500

2023, Clemson University HFI Grant: \$500

