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EDUCATION

Stony Brook University – Stony Brook, NY Ph.D. Candidate, Clinical Psychology Advisor: Dr. Matt Lerner, Ph.D.	2016 - Present
Hunter College – New York, NY Masters of Arts – Psychology Inducted into PSI CHI	2010 - 2013
University of Maryland – College Park, MD Bachelor of Arts – Psychology President’s Scholarship Dean’s List Spring 2004 and Fall 2006 College Park Scholars Citation for Excellence	2003 - 2007

AWARDS/ AFFILIATIONS

- Hunter College Graduate Student Conference Travel Award (Spring 2013)
- Hunter Graduate Student Association Travel Award (Spring 2013)
- Member of:
 - American Psychological Association
 - APA Division 33 (Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities)
 - APA Division 53 (Society of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology)
 - International Society for Autism Research
 - Society for Research in Child Development

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

PIs – Drs. Eric Morrow and Stephen Sheinkopf, RI-CART **2013 – 2016**
Bradley Hospital/Brown University – Providence, RI

Senior Clinical Research Assistant (full-time) – My role at the Rhode Island Consortium for Autism Research and Treatment (RI-CART) was to recruit families for a statewide research registry. Specifically, I reviewed the research consent with families and assessed participants using the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS-2) and several parent-completed questionnaires. In addition, I managed the research database (over 1000 participants) and helped submit IRB revisions. Finally, I was responsible for data analysis and reporting results as needed, including authoring abstracts and manuscripts. In September 2015, I was promoted to senior clinical research assistant.

**PI – Michael Siller, Communication and Play Lab
Hunter College – Manhattan, NY**

2010 – 2012

Master's Student – My master's thesis, entitled "Parent-Mediated Intervention to Improve the Perceptions of Mothers of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder," explored treatment effects of a parent-mediated intervention for children with autism spectrum disorder on mother's perceptions and cognitions. Data analysis indicated improvements in perceptions of child attachment and developmental knowledge.

**PI – Allison Ottenbreit, Social Psychology Lab
University of Maryland – College Park, MD**

2006 - 2007

Volunteer - I volunteered 5-10 hours per week as an undergraduate research assistant. My role was to conduct experiments examining women's performance on a written exam in response to perceived discrimination. Additionally, I entered all data into SPSS.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Siller, M., Swanson, M., **Gerber, A.**, Hutman, T., & Sigman, M. (2014). A parent-mediated intervention that targets responsive parental behaviors increases attachment behaviors in children with ASD: Results from a randomized clinical trial. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, *44*, 1720-1732. doi: 10.1007/s10803-014-2049-2
2. **Gerber, A.**, Morrow, E.M., Sheinkopf, S.J., & Anders, T. (2014). The Rhode Island consortium for autism research and treatment (RI-CART): A new statewide autism collaborative. *Rhode Island Medical Journal*, *97*, 31-34.
3. Stein, D.M., **Gerber, A.**, & Morrow, E.M. (2014). Inaugural Christianson Syndrome Association conference: families meeting for the first time. *Journal of Neurodevelopmental Disorders*, *6*, 13. doi: 10.1186/1866-1955-6-13

ABSTRACTS

1. **Gerber, A.**, Siller, M., Hutman, T., & Sigman, M. (2012). Parent-mediated intervention to improve the perceptions of mothers of children with autism spectrum disorder. Poster presented at the International Meeting for Autism Research, San Sebastián, ES.
2. Morrow, E.M., **Gerber, A.**, Sheinkopf, S.J., & Anders, T. (2013). Rhode Island consortium for autism research and treatment (RI-CART): Preliminary data and potential implications. Poster presented at the Warren Alpert Medical Schools at Brown University 16th Annual Research Symposium on Mental Health Sciences, Providence, RI.

3. Dunn, B., Jerskey, B., **Gerber, A.**, Johnson, A., Anders, T., Sheinkopf, S.J., & Morrow, E.M. (2014). The Rhode Island consortium for autism research and treatment: First year update. Poster presented at the 1st Annual Brown University Mind Brain Research Day, Providence, RI.
4. Kavanaugh, B., Jerskey, B., & **Gerber, A.** (2015). Distinct patterns of younger versus older seizure onset in individuals with autism spectrum disorders. Poster presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 44th Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
5. **Gerber, A.**, McCormick, C., Levine, T., Morrow, E.M., Anders, T., & Sheinkopf, S.J. (2015). Factors influencing healthcare satisfaction in adults with autism spectrum disorder. Poster presented at the International Meeting for Autism Research, Baltimore, MD.
6. Morriss, D., Tokajian, H., **Gerber, A.**, Morrow, E.M., Anders, T., & Sheinkopf, S.J. (2015). The relation between autism symptom severity and family history of psychiatric and neurodevelopmental disorders. Poster presented at the International Meeting for Autism Research, Baltimore, MD.
7. Benevides, J., Perkins, K., Marsland, H., Dunn, B., Oberman, L., Kavanaugh, B., **Gerber, A.**, Anders T., Sheinkopf, S. & Morrow, E.M. (2016). The Rhode Island Consortium for Autism Research and Treatment: The First 1,000 Participants. Poster presented at the 3rd Annual Brown University Mind Brain Research Day, Providence, RI.
8. Kang, E., Sommer, S., **Gerber, A.**, & Lerner, M.D. (2016) Gender Differences in Treatment Response to a Social Skills Intervention for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster to be presented at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention, New York, NY.

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Hunter College – New York, NY

2011 - 2012

Teaching Assistant – I served as a teaching assistant for two graduate level courses, Statistical Methods in Psychology I and II, as well as an undergraduate Experimental Psychology course. I prepared and delivered several lectures for each class, led discussion sessions, held office hours to assist students with projects, and graded homework.

Jewish Community Center (JCC) – Rockville, MD

2008 - 2010

Special Needs Program Director – I supervised the programming for children and adults with special needs as well as coordinated afternoon care for children with special needs. Additionally, I managed the section of summer camp for children 12-21 with developmental disabilities. My responsibilities included speaking with parents, working directly with children, and the hiring, training and supervision of staff.

Otzma - Israel

2007 –2008

Volunteer – I spent a year abroad on a program called Otzma after graduating from college. During this time I worked with underprivileged children in a variety of settings including an afterschool center, a school for children with special needs, and the Rambam Medical Center.