

Cassandra Jane Richards

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EDUCATION

- 2015 – Current The University of Akron, Akron, OH
Adult Development and Aging Doctoral Graduate Student
- 2016 University of Charleston, Charleston, WV
Bachelor of Science in Psychology, *summa cum laude*
Minor in Business Administration
Minor in Applied Leadership Studies

SCHOLARSHIPS AND HONORS

- 2016 Outstanding Scholar in Psychology, University of Charleston
- 2015 West Virginia 4-H Dance Ambassador Scholarship – Ireland
Cultural Expedition
- 2012 - 2016 Welch Colleague Scholarship, University of Charleston -
Academics, leadership, and community Service
- 2012 - 2016 West Virginia Promise Scholarship – Academics
- 2012 – 2014 Dean’s List, University of Charleston
- 2014 - 2016 Provost’s List, University of Charleston
- 2014 Inducted into Psi Chi, National Honor Society of Psychology
- 2012-2013 George Scott Valedictorian Scholarship - Academics
- 2011-2012 National Leadership and Service Award – Community Service
- 2011-2012 National Mathematics Award – Academics

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2016 – Present **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
Course: Introduction to Psychology
The University of Akron
- 2013 - 2016 **Undergraduate Tutor in the Academic Success Center**
Courses: PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology, PSYC 212
Life-Span Development, PSYC 315 Psychological Statistics,
PSYC 342 Social Psychology, PSYC 351 Human Sexuality,
PSYC 354 Psychology and Law, PSYC 356 Terrorism, SSCI

203 Methods for Behavioral Research, SSCI 320 Computer Assisted Research, SOCI 221 Criminology, SOCI 322 Marriage and Family, Math 123 Pre-Calculus, Math 201 Calculus
University of Charleston

2014 **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant in the Academic Success Center**
Course: Math 123 Pre-Calculus
University of Charleston

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2016 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**
Researchers: Dr. Michael Bayly, PhD, Professor and Psychology Program Director, and Dr. Martha Spiker, PhD, Professor and Chair of Department of Social Sciences
University of Charleston

2016 **Undergraduate Research for Senior Research Project**
Influence of Authority Figures on Academic Performance
Research Coordinator / Supervised by: Dr. Martha Spiker, PhD, Professor and Chair of Department of Social Sciences
University of Charleston

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Richards, C.J. (February, 2016). *Influence of authority figures on academic performance*. Poster presented at Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol in Charleston, WV.

Richards, C.J. (April, 2015). *School counseling graduate programs in Massachusetts: A relationship between public and private universities?* Poster presented at the Tri-State Psychology Conference at Marshall University, Huntington, WV.

LEADERSHIP, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

2015 - 2016 Psi Chi Chapter Secretary
University of Charleston

2014 - 2015 Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's in Charleston, WV
Campus Coordinator / University of Charleston

2014 - 2015 Intern with Union Mission in Charleston, WV
Assistant Volunteer Coordinator / Counseling Office Assistant
University of Charleston

2014 Volunteer Interacting with Patients (VIP) Program
Charleston Area Medical Center (CAMC) / University of Charleston

CERTIFICATIONS

2016 CITI Human Subjects Certification

2015 NIH Certification – Protecting Human Research Participants

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2016 Student Member of the Gerontology Association

2016 Student Member of the Association for Psychological Science

2014 The National Honor Society of Psychology Psi Chi Lifetime Member