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## **EDUCATION**

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2020      **Bachelor of Arts in Psychology** (Expected)  
 Eastern Washington University (EWU), Cheney, Washington  
 Major GPA: 3.8

## **GRANTS, HONORS, & SCHOLARSHIPS**

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2019              McNair travel grant for Association for Psychological Science Convention  
 2018-2019      Association for Psychological Science member  
 2018-Present    EWU McNair Scholar  
 2018-2019      EWU Dean's list  
 2016              EWU Presidential Scholarship

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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### **Research Intern**, Trio McNair Summer Research Internship EWU, 2019

Supervisor: Dr. Kayleen Islam-Zwart

Continue data analysis for previous research on jury perceptions to submit an academic research paper for publication in an undergraduate journal. Collaborate with faculty supervisor on article for publication in peer-reviewed academic journal.

### **Research Intern**, Trio McNair Summer Research Internship EWU, 2018

Supervisor: Dr. Kayleen Islam-Zwart

Designed and conducted research which investigated jury perceptions using hypothetical scenarios asking participants to act as jurors and consider guilt and sentencing.

### **Research Assistant**, Department of Psychology EWU, 2018-present

Supervisor: Dr. Kayleen Islam-Zwart

Utilized the EWU research website to organize a schedule for student participants to complete surveys on *Lifetime Event History and Behavioral Responses* and *Getting Away with Murder as a Function of Pregnancy Status*. Administered surveys and questionnaires to study participants.

### **Summer Research Assistant Intern**, Department of Crop and Soil Sciences Washington State University, 2016

Supervisor: Dr. Karen Sanguinet

Conducted experiments using *Brachypodium* as a model plant for the Poaceae family of grasses including plant transformations and molecular experiments. Sterilized equipment and prepared specimens for study.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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Silverthorn, R., Islam-Zwart, K. (2019). *Gender Differences in Perceptions of Female Defendants*. Poster presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention. Washington, D.C.

Silverthorn, R., Islam-Zwart, K. (2019). *Perceptions of Female Defendants in Trial Settings*. Oral presentation at the annual EWU Student Research and Creative Works Symposium. Cheney, Washington.

Silverthorn, R., Islam-Zwart, K. (2018). *How Pregnancy Affects Jury Perceptions in Trials*. Poster presented at the annual EWU Student Research and Creative Works Symposium. Cheney, Washington.

## **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

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**Resident/Community Advisor**, EWU housing and residential life 2018-present

Supervisor: Joshua Scroggins

Organized events including programs covering diversity, academic success, community building, and personal development. Facilitated student outreach in connecting students to campus resources. Performed office management and administrative duties. Advised and referred 350 students on matters of personal, social, and academic concerns. Carried out crisis response plans as situations arose and adjudicated conduct violations when during on call shifts.

**Teaching Assistant**, EWU Disability Studies Department 2016-2017

Supervisor: Dr. Ryan Parrey

Assisted with developing lesson plans and responsible for maintaining student records using canvas software for two courses.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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Pacific Northwest Ph.D. Preparation Conference on Doctoral Competencies and Academic Culture. Washington State University, Pullman, Washington, July 5-7, 2018.

## **ACADEMIC CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

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EWU Forensic Science Club Member 2016-2019, Event Coordinator 2017-2018, President 2018-2019

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

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EWU Eagle Ambassadors Member 2017-Present, Secretary 2018-present

Volunteer at admissions events, provide information and answer questions for incoming students and visiting families, and give campus tours.

## **REFERENCES**

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Kayleen Islam-Zwart, Ph.D. Department Chair, Professor of Psychology (EWU Cheney), and Program Director and professor for Psychology (EWU Bellevue)

Research mentor

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