MACY M. HICKS

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EDUCATION

Master of Arts, Business Administration (MBA) May 2025
Texas State University; San Marcos, TX

Master of Arts, Psychological Research May 2021
Texas State University; San Marcos, TX

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology May 2019
Texas State University; San Marcos, TX
Magna Cum Laude
Minor in Criminal Justice

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Department of Psychology 2025-Present

Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology 2024-2025

Lecturer, Department of Psychology 2021-2024

Graduate Instructional Assistant, Department of Psychology 2020-2021

Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Psychology 2019-2020

Learning Community for Cognitive Disabilities, Intern 2018

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Psychology
Experimental and Research Methods
Experimental and Research Methods Laboratory
Professional Seminar

PUBLICATIONS

Hicks, M., De Nadai, A., Mouton-Odum, S., Patyk, K., & Zamora, R. (2023). Latent Class Analysis of Emotions Experienced During Compulsive Hair-Pulling Episodes. *Experimental Psychiatry and Behavioral Therapy*.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Master's Thesis 2020-2021
Texas State University
Advisor: Dr. Alessandro De Nadai
Conducted thesis examining trichotillomania (hair-pulling disorder) via latent class analysis. Aimed to identify classes of people with the disorder so that future research can further identify best practice and treatment for each, unique class of puller.

Graduate Research Assistant 2019-2020
Texas State University
Advisor: Dr. Alessandro De Nadai
Supervised lab operations, assisted with grant management, and contributed to several research projects, including those addressing body-focused repetitive behaviors and mental health issues.

Undergraduate Thesis 2019
Texas State University
Advisor: Dr. Ollie Seay

PUBLICATIONS

Hicks, M., Mouton-Odum, S., Patyk, K., Zamora, R., & De Nadai, A. Latent class analysis of emotions experienced during compulsive hair-pulling episodes. *Journal of Behavioral Therapy and Experimental Psychiatry*. (2023). https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbtep.2023.101882

MEDIA COVERAGE

Ferrara, D. (2022, January 3). *Emotional Experiences During Hair Pulling: New Research Insights.* TrichStop. https://www.trichstop.com/emotional-experiences-during-pulling

COMMITTEE SERVICE

Promotion and Outreach Committee, Texas State University 2025-26

Committee for Belonging and Cohesion, Texas State University 2025-26

Undergraduate Committee, Texas State University 2024

Sponsor, Living Learning Community, Texas State University 2023

Chair, Psychology Day Committee, Texas State University 2023

Psychology Day Committee, Texas State University 2022

HONORARY ROLES

Guest Football Coach, Academic Athletics Center 2025
Texas State University

ADDITIONAL LEADERSHIP

Faculty Advisor, Texas State Women in Psychology Club 2026-Present
Texas State University

Faculty Advisor, Texas State Sand Volleyball Club 2024-Present
Texas State University

Honors College Faculty Supervisor 2024-Present
Texas State University

Graduate Assistant Supervisor, Psychology Department 2021-Present
Texas State University

CLINICAL INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Learning Community for Cognitive Disabilities 2018
Program Director: Dr. Ollie Seay

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Hicks, M., De Nadai, A., Mouton-Odum, S., & Patyk, K. *Latent Class Analysis of Emotions Experienced During Compulsive Hair-Pulling Episodes* [conference session]. International Conference on Body-Focused Repetitive Behaviors, Chicago, IL, United States (conference cancelled).