

Michael Vang

Curriculum Vitae – July 2020

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Education:

University of California, Merced

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Public Health

Minor in Psychology

(Anticipated completion: Spring 2021)

Cumulative G.P.A. 3.746/4.00

Major G.P.A. 3.615/4.00

Honors/Awards/Scholarships:

- UC Regents' Scholarship Aug. 2017-Present
- Summer Undergraduate Research Institute (SURI) Fellowship Jun. 2020
- Associated Students at UC Merced (ASUCM) Fellowship 1st Place at Research Symposium Jun. 2020
- Fellowships and Undergraduate Research Symposium (FURS) Recipient (\$1000) Mar. 2019
- Chancellor's Honor List Aug. 2018-May 2019
- Dean's Honor List Aug. 2017-Dec. 2019
- Margo F. Souza Leadership Center Tier 2 Certification Dec. 2018
- Margo F. Souza Leadership Center Tier 1 Certification Dec. 2017

Research Experience:

Summer Opportunity for Advanced Research (SOAR), University of California, Merced Apr. 2020-Present

- Worked with faculty mentor and graduate student on research project examining Health Regulatory Focus
- Analyzed data from two different studies using SPSS
- Constructed a research poster and abstract based on study findings
- Conducted literature searches
- Prepared for graduate school by working on assignments (statement of purpose, personal statement, curriculum vitae, workshops, searching for fellowships and graduate schools, etc.)

Health Sciences Research Institute (HSRI), University of California, Merced Apr. 2020-Present

- Conducted a content analysis for post-doctoral student's research project on digital epidemiology
- Coded medical symptoms experienced from database and diagnoses given to participants who used Buoy Health
- Coded free-text responses by using a codebook for two variables (reasons for visiting Buoy and race/ethnicity)

The Social and Health Psychology Applied Behavioral Research Sep. 2019-Present

for Prevention and Promotion (SHARPP) Lab, University of California, Merced

- Assisted faculty member with his meta-analysis on The Theory of Planned Behavior and Self-Determination Theory
- Assisted graduate student with their meta-analysis examining the relationship between health literacy and health behaviors, health beliefs, health outcome, etc.
- Screened research articles to determine eligibility for inclusion in the meta-analysis
- Extracted and identified data (type of models, behavior, health status) from research articles
- Reviewed research articles for Quality Assessment Checklist for Survey Studies in Psychology (Q-SSP)

Merced Experimental Social and Health Psychology (MESH) Laboratory, University of California, Merced

Aug. 2018-Present

- Assisted graduate students with running in-lab research studies on health decision-making
- Managed participant research credits via SONA
- Recruited participants from various locations on campus
- Conducted independent research project on physician-patient communication
- Gained experience with designing study materials, data analysis, and manuscript preparation
- Conducted literature searches and coded research articles

Psychoneuroendocrinology (PNE) Lab, University of California, Merced

Aug. 2017-May 2018

- Assisted graduate student with current research project on a replication of the trier social stress test
- Assisted graduate student with his Qualtrics surveys
- Conducted and ran SONA studies in the lab

Conferences, Abstracts and Presentations:

- Michael, V., Jacqueline H., & Jennifer L., H., (July 31, 2020). *The Association Between Health Regulatory Focus and Responses to Physicians*. Poster showcased at 2020 UROC Virtual Showcase at UC Merced, Merced, CA.
- Michael, V., Bernice Song, N., Vanessa M., M., Jacqueline, H., Angela, J., & Jennifer L., H., (Mar. 4, 2020). *An Experimental Examination of the Role of Physician Communication Goals in Patient Outcomes*. Poster presented at UC Merced Research Week Showcase, Merced, CA.
- Vanessa M., M., Michael V., Bernice Song, N., Jacqueline, H., Angela, J., & Jennifer L., H., (Oct. 29-Nov. 1). *An Experimental Examination of the Role of Physician Communication Goals in Patient Outcomes* [2020 WPA Association Convention]. WPA Convention, San Francisco, California, CA, United States.
- Michael, V., Bernice Song, N., Vanessa M., M., Jacqueline, H., Angela, J., & Jennifer L., H., (May 21–24, 2020). *An Experimental Examination of the Role of Physician Communication Goals in Patient Outcomes* [32nd APS Annual Convention]. APS Conference, Chicago, IL, United States.
<https://www.psychologicalscience.org/conventions/annual/aps-coronavirus> (Conference canceled)

On-Campus Involvement:

Best Buddies Club, University of California, Merced

Member

Sep. 2017-May 2020

Secretary

Aug. 2018-May 2019

Treasurer

Sep. 2017-May 2018

Regents' Scholar Society, University of California, Merced

President

Aug. 2018-May 2019

Member

Aug. 2018-May 2019

Professional Affiliations:

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)

July 2020-Present

Association for Psychological Science (APS)

Jan. 2020-Present

Western Psychological Association (WPA)

Dec. 2020-Present

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Aug. 2019-Present

Strengthening Talents & Exploring Pathways (STEP) Program

Aug. 2018-Present