

CURRICULUM VITAE

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**Education**

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<b>Ph.D.</b>	<b>Expected June 2018</b>	<b>University of California, Riverside</b> Developmental Psychology
<b>MA</b>	<b>June 2015</b>	<b>University of California, Riverside</b> Developmental Psychology Master's Thesis: <i>Perceived Loneliness as a Contextual Moderator of the Etiology of Cognitive Functioning: An International Study</i>
<b>BA</b>	<b>June 2013</b>	<b>California State University, Bakersfield</b> Psychology, <i>summa cum laude</i>
<b>BS</b>	<b>June 2000</b>	<b>University of California, Riverside</b> Biochemistry, Biology Emphasis

**Research Interests**

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- Gene-Environment Interplay
- Mechanisms of risk and resilience in the relationship between perceived social isolation and negative cognitive outcomes in middle aged and elderly individuals
- Epigenetic influences of perceived loneliness on human gene expression

**Honors and Awards**

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Dean's Distinguished Fellowship, University of California, Riverside	2013
Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship (Not funded)	2014
Psi Chi, International Honor Society in Psychology	Inducted 2013

**Professional Memberships**

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Behavior Genetics Association (BGA), Student Member  
Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Student Member

**Research Experience**

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**Research Assistant** Fall 2012-Spring 2013

Cognitive Processes Laboratory, California State University, Bakersfield

- Collected data for research on the effects of synthesized voices on long-term memory

**Research Assistant II**

August 2000-September 2002

Human Genome Group, California Institute of Technology

- Independently created DNA libraries for five organisms using fosmid cloning to be used for further research in gene discovery.
- Implemented Caltech's first highly successful bacterial artificial chromosome end sequencing protocol which helped solve sequencing problems experienced by many

- researchers both on and off campus.
- Designed protocols for widespread use.
- Arranged weekly meetings with collaborating labs and presented and discussed data.

## Teaching Experience

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### Guest Lecturer

*University of California, Riverside*

Lifespan Development, *Topic: Psychosocial Development in Late Adulthood*

### Teaching Assistant

*University of California, Riverside*

Psychological Methods: Research Procedures

Fall 2014, Summer 2015, Winter 2016

Lifespan Development

Fall 2015

Introductory Psychology

Summer 2014, Spring 2015

*California State University, Bakersfield*

Research Methods I

Fall 2012

## Publications

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Reynolds, C. A., & Phillips, D. (2015). Genetics of brain aging: Twin aging. *Reference Module in Biomedical Sciences*. Elsevier. 08-Jul-2015 doi: 10.1016/B978-0-12-801238-3.04608-0

## Published Abstracts

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Phillips, D.M., Petkus, A., McGue, M., & Reynolds, C.A. (2015). Testing for age moderation of heritability of loneliness across adulthood. *Behavior Genetics*, 45(6).

## Presentations

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### Talks

Phillips, D. M., Petkus, A. J., McGue, M., & Reynolds, C.A. (2015, June). *Testing for age moderation of heritability of loneliness across adulthood*. Annual meeting of the Behavior Genetics Association, San Diego, CA.

### Posters

Phillips, D. M., Petkus, A. J., Johnson, W., Franz, C., & Reynolds, C. A. (2015, November). *Exploring a potential role for education in the relation between loneliness and cognition*. Annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.