

Vivian (Shuwen) Yang

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EDUCATION

Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Expected May 2025

College of Arts and Sciences

- Candidate of Bachelor of Science in Psychology; minor in Quantitative Sciences
- Cumulative GPA: 3.91/4.00
- Relevant Coursework: Adult Psychopathology, Childhood Psychopathology, Brain and Behavior, Cognitive Neuroscience, Lab in Psychology Experimental Methods

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

LUMeN Lab Research Assistant, Atlanta, GA

August 2023 – Present

Department of Psychology, Emory College of Arts and Sciences

- Designed an independent project studying how positive and negative affect relate to substance use; selected as a Scholarly Inquiry and Research Experience (SIRE) Program Fellow
- Facilitated fMRI scans as a second experimenter and administered surveys to participants
- Conducted data collection and data analysis of a project studying intergenerational transmission of emotional memories and its implication in the development of depression and anxiety

Psychodynamic Lab Research Assistant, Atlanta, GA

August 2023 – Present

Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Emory University School of Medicine

- Learned the techniques for coding qualitative data using grounded theory
- Conducted qualitative analysis of first-person stories of food addicts to study the relationship between childhood experiences of shame, weight-stigma, and body-image and the development of food addiction; poster abstract submitted for the 2024 APA convention

Child Development Research Fellow, Dundee, Scotland

June 2023 – July 2023

Department of Psychology, Emory College of Arts and Sciences

- Implemented child development measures in primary schools in Dundee, Scotland
- Completed cross-cultural analyses on the development of executive function, empathy, and prosocial behaviors at the University College of London (UCL)

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Nia Project Undergraduate Practicum Student, Atlanta, GA

January 2024 – Present

Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Emory University School of Medicine

- Assist with recruitment, data collection, and project building of the research projects
- Serve as a group help for therapy groups serving adults with intimate partner violence and suicidal behaviors

Emory Helpline Volunteer, Atlanta, GA

January 2024 – Present

Counseling and Psychological Services, Emory University

- Expected duties: complete the semester-long training in helping skills; fulfill weekly on-call shifts to assist Emory students with non-urgent mental health needs

LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Enrichment Program Session Lead

October 2022 – May 2023

Hands On Atlanta

- Served as a session lead of STEM, SEL, and wellness activities in the weekend enrichment program for K-5 children at the Kindezi School

Academic Fellow, Atlanta, GA

May 2022 – August 2022

Academic Fellows Program, Emory University

- Led a group of incoming international first-year students during the International Student Welcome and provided guidance on transitioning to college