

Christina Young

The Five Point Spread

- 4th Year Clinical Student in PhD Program
- Research Fellow to Warren Brown in the Cognitive and Psychosocial Deficit in Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum (ACC)
- Working on her dissertation involving Latent Semantic Analysis of responses of individuals with Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum to questions from the Awareness of Consequences Test
- Is one of four siblings (1 brother and 2 sisters)!
- Hopes to be a pediatric neuropsychologist

MEETING CHRISTINA...

Christina Young owns a pet bunny named Oscar who is 37... in bunny years. This is important.

She spent her formative years in the Bay Area, specifically San Jose before making her way down to Southern California to go to Biola, find her way to Fuller, and witness the catalytic creation of the kalbi taco.

Christina loves food, and considers eating both a sport and

a hobby. In fact, after finishing her PhD. and dabbling some in pediatric neuropsychology, she will compete for the coveted Nathan's Mustard Belt and star in her own Food Network show.

Until then, she will continue to work with Warren "Oatmeal" Brown in the Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum Lab (*Dr. Brown's oatmeal-tastic qualities include efficiency, conversion of complex carbohydrates*

into energy, and lots of fiber).

So take some time to get to know Christina, offer to treat her to breakfast at Marston's and ask her why did she name her pet bunny after a cranky Sesame Street character. If you treat she might tell you.

The word on the street is that she's dating someone awesome.

REGARDING RESEARCH...

Christina is interested in any research that has to do with the relationship between brain structure & processes and behavior.

She has been part of Dr. Brown's lab for the past three years, first as a research assistant, a Carlsberg Fellow, and finally a SOP research fellow this year.

This year she will be project leader for Dr. Brown's ACC research. Her Master's project involved using Latent Semantic

Analysis (LSA) to study Moral Exemplars from the L'Arche Community as part of Dr. Brown's virtue project.

She will be using her training in LSA to analyze responses from individuals with Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum (ACC) and compare them to controls taking similar tests.

Ultimately, she is pursuing a career in clinical neuropsychology, specifically as a clinician and researcher in a hospital setting. This would allow her

to work with people with a variety of different conditions including traumatic brain injury, stroke, seizure disorders, to name a few. She also hopes to focus her research on pediatric neuropsychology, working with children with developmental and learning disabilities.

She graduated from Biola with a Bachelor's in Journalism, minoring in biblical studies and business.



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Recent Presentations

Folsom, R. C., **Young, C. M.**, Turk, A., Brown, W. S., & Paul, L. K. (2010, February). *Semantic Analysis of Awareness of Consequences in Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum*. Poster presented at the 38th Annual Meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Acapulco, Mexico.

Erickson, R. L., **Young, C. M.**, Paul, L. K. & Brown, W. S. (2010, February). *Verbal Memory in Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum using the WMS-III*. Poster presented at the 38th Annual Meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Acapulco, Mexico.