

Kendal A. Smith
Doctorate of Philosophy
Texas A & M-Central Texas
Department of Counseling & Psychology, Assistant Professor

Education

Degree	Institution	Date Granted
Ph. D	University of Southern Mississippi <i>Cognitive Psychology</i> <i>Department of Psychology</i> Dissertation Title: Evaluating the Contributions of Recollection and Familiarity on Testing and Guessing Benefits in Recognition Memory	2021
M. A.	University of Southern Mississippi <i>Experimental Psychology</i> <i>Department of Psychology</i> Thesis Title: First Thirty Days of Life: Examining Calf Behavioral Development in Beluga Whales and Pacific White-sided Dolphins at One Zoological Facility	2017
B. A.	University of Southern Mississippi <i>Psychology, Magna Cum Laude</i>	2015

Teaching Experience

Texas A & M University-Central Texas

Assistant Professor

- Psychology Major Seminar, Psyc 3100
- Writing in Psychology, Psyc 3409
- Learning in Psychology, Psyc 3301
- Human Cognitive Processes, Psyc 3305

Jackson State University

Assistant Professor

- General Psychology, Psy 201
- Physiological Psychology, Psy 315

- Graduate Biological Psychology, Psy 713
- Graduate Social & Cognitive Psychology, Psy 714
- Graduate Psychometric Analysis, Psy 734
- Graduate Learning & Cognition, Psy 711
- Graduate Advanced Developmental Psychology, Psy 712

Sacred Heart University

Adjunct Professor

- Human and Animal Learning, PS 335
- Introduction to Psychology, PS 110

University of South Alabama

Adjunct Professor

- Introduction to Psychology, Psy 120
- Childhood & Adolescent Development, Psy 350
- Research Methods & Analysis II, Psy 320
- Lifespan Development, Psy 250

Eastern Kentucky University

Course Facilitator

- Comparative Psychology, Psy 333

University of Southern Mississippi

Adjunct Professor

- Research Methods, Psy 361
- Senior Seminar, Psy 475
- Cognitive Psychology, Psy 425
- Careers in Psychology, Psy 251

University of Southern Mississippi

Instructor of Record

- Animal Behavior, Psy 424
- Introduction to General Psychology, Psy 100
- Child Development Psy 275
- Developmental Psychology Psy 270
- Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences Psy 360

University of Southern Mississippi

Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to Psychology, Psy 100
- Senior Seminar in Psychology Psy 475
- Research Methods, Psy 365
- Introduction to Cognitive Processes Psy 425
- Sensation & Perception 420

University of Southern Mississippi: Gifted Studies Center

Instructor for the Summer Program for Academically Talented Youth

- Psychology of Behavior: Animal Behavior
- Selected to teach gifted high school students in an academic summer camp
- Focus on introducing academically challenging curriculum in a fun and creative learning environment

Research Positions

Texas A & M University- Central Texas (2024-current)

Principle Investigator

Jackson State University (2023-2024)

Institutional Research Champion

All of Us Research Program, NIH

Jackson State University (2022-2024)

Lab Director

Memory, Attention & Comparative Cognition Laboratory

University of Southern Mississippi (2019-2021)

Graduate Research Assistant

Memory, Attentional Control & Aging Laboratory

University of Southern Mississippi (2015-2019)

Graduate Research Assistant

Marine Mammal Behavior & Cognition Laboratory

University of Southern Mississippi (2014-2015)

Intern

Marine Mammal Behavior & Cognition Laboratory

University of Southern Mississippi (2013-2014)

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Comparative Cognition Laboratory

Publications

Smith, K.A., Miller, L.M., & Muzzy, M. (manuscript). Neonatal Development: A Comparative Analysis of Two Marine Mammal Species in the First Thirty Days of Life. [unpublished manuscript]

Smith, K. A., Huff, M. J. (manuscript) Frequency & Expectancy Effects on Correct Recognition & False Recognition. [unpublished manuscript]

Smith, K. A., Huff, M. J., Pazos, L. A., Smith, J. L & Consentino, K. (2022). Item-Specific Encoding Reduces False Recognition of Homograph and Implicit Mediated Critical Lures. *Memory*, 30(3), 293-308. Doi: 10.1080/09658211.2021.2010762

Coane, J. H., McBride, D. M., Huff, M. J., Chang, K., Marsh, E. M. & **Smith, K.** (2021). Manipulations of List Type in the DRM Paradigm: Structural and Conceptual Similarity Affect False Memory. *Frontiers in Psychology*. Doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2021.668550

Lilley, M., **Smith, K.**, Botero Acosta, N. (2017). Cetacean Life History. In J. Vonk & T. Shackelford (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Animal Cognition and Behavior*. Springer.

Presentations

Smith, K. A., Fleet, J. & Huff, M. J. (2023, November). Memory Bias & Disease Contagion: Recognition Following Activation of the Behavioral Immune System (BIS). Poster Presentation at the Psychonomics Society Annual International Meeting. San Francisco, CA.

Smith, K. A. (2023, March). Study Smarter, Not Harder: What Cognitive Psychology Research Tells Us About Common Study Strategies. Presentation for the Research Colloquium series at Jackson State University. Remote.

Smith, K.A. (2022, November) The Value of Play: A Comparative Perspective of the Effects of Play on Cognitive and Social Behaviors. Presentation for the Research Colloquium series at Jackson State University. Remote.

Smith, K. A., Runnels, J. & Huff, M. J. (2021, April) Age Effects on Disease Saliency: Differences in Source Memory for Younger and Older Adults. Oral presentation at the Susan A. Siltanen Graduate Student Research Symposium. Remote.

Smith, K. A., Pazos, L. A., Smith, J. L. & Huff, M. J. (2020, November) Item Specific Encoding Reduces Associative False Memory by Restricting Associative Activation, Not Gist Extraction: Evidence from Homograph and Mediated Lists. Presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. Remote.

Smith, K. A., Runnels, J. & Huff, M. J. (2020, April) Age Effects on Disease Saliency: Differences in Source Memory for Younger and Older Adults. Oral presentation at the Susan A. Siltanen Graduate Student Research Symposium. Hattiesburg, MS. (Symposium canceled).

Smith, K.A., Miller, L., & Muzzy, M. (2020, April) Behavioral Development Comparisons of Beluga Whales and Pacific White-Sided Dolphins at One Zoological Facility. Poster Presentation at Comparative Cognition Society Annual Conference. Melbourne, FL.

Smith, K. A., Gretz, M. R., Maxwell, N. & Huff, M. J. (2019, October) The Memory Benefits of Deadly Diseases: Increased Source Memory for Objects Touched by Individuals with Ebola. Poster presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. Montréal, Québec, Canada.

Smith, K. A. & Huff, M. J. (2019, April) Item-Specific Processing Reduces Mediated False Recognition by Reducing Spreading Activation and Increase Test-Based Monitoring. Poster presentation at Susan A. Siltanen Graduate Student Research Symposium. Hattiesburg, MS.

Smith, K. & Miller, L. (2019, March) First thirty days of life: Examining calf behavioral development in beluga whales at one zoological facility. Poster presentation at 2nd International Workshop on Beluga Whale Research and Conservation. Mystic, CT.

Honors

<i>Service- Learning Faculty Fellowship</i> Texas A & M University-Central Texas	2025
<i>Oral Presentation Winner, 1st Place</i> Susan A. Siltanen Graduate Student Symposium	2021
<i>BBPSG Research Award</i> University of Southern Mississippi	May 2020, October 2020
<i>Graduate Competitive Travel Award</i> University of Southern Mississippi	2019
<i>Hall of Fame</i> Jones County Junior College	2012
<i>Tullos Scholar Award</i> Jones County Junior College	2012

Services

Research Service

McNair Honors Scholars Program Mentor, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi. Mentored 3 undergraduate research projects from literature review to completion of data collection and final manuscript. Worked with students to create comprehensive and effective presentations of research projects completed. May 2023-current

Animal Care & Management Intern, Dolphins Plus Marine Mammal Responder, Key Largo, Florida. Assisted in data collection and daily observations and care of resident bottlenose dolphins. Led several education sessions daily for school groups, general public, organized tour groups. May 2017-August 2017

Data Organization & Analysis, Shedd Aquarium, Chicago, IL. Organized and analyzed data as part of requirements for completion of Masters thesis project. March 2017.

Field Research Assistant, Roatan Institute for Marine Science, Roatan, Honduras.

Supervised by Stan Kuczaj in data collection and daily observations of resident bottlenose dolphins. May 2015.

University Service

Academic Technology Council, Texas A & M University-Central Texas
AI Policy Task Force, Texas A & M University-Central Texas
Thesis Project Committee, Member

Academic Journals

Editorial Board Member, International Journal of Comparative Psychology
Ad Hoc Reviewer, Animal Behavior and Cognition

Organization Leadership

Team CO3 Program Committee, International Conference on Comparative Cognition, Comparative Cognition Society, 2023-2024

Team CO3 Member, International Conference on Comparative Cognition, Comparative Cognition Society, Melbourne, FL. 2023

Student Oral Presentation Judge, Southeast and Mid-Atlantic Marine Mammal Symposium (SEAMAMMS), University of South Alabama. 2023

Session Moderator, Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Southern Mississippi. 2019

Social Media Liaison, Brain and Behavior Student Government, University of Southern Mississippi. 2018-2019

Vice President, Marine Conservation Club, University of Southern Mississippi. 2016-2018

Vice President, Psychology Club, University of Southern Mississippi. 2013-2015

Professional Associations

Member, Animal Behavior Society

Member, Society for Marine Mammalogy

Member, Southeast Chapter of the Society for Marine Mammalogy

Member, Comparative Cognition Society

Member, American Psychological Association, Society for Behavioral Neuroscience & Comparative Psychology

Member, Psychonomic Society

Member, Psi Chi Psychology Honors Society

Training and Certifications

CASL Keystroke Writing Program

2023-2024 cohort

ACUE Certification

October 2023

Quality Matters Certification

August, 2021

CITI Program Certification

September, 2015

SCUBA Certification, Original

May, 2015