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EDUCATION

- Expected
May 2021* **Doctor of Philosophy in Clinical Psychology**
The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS
Dissertation: *The Trajectory of Resilience, Meaning in Life, Social Support, Posttraumatic Growth, and Posttraumatic Stress for Sexual Assault Survivors* (Chair: Stefan E. Schulenberg, PhD)
Graduate minor: Interdisciplinary Statistics
- May 2017* **Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology**
The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS
Thesis: *Natural Disasters, Incidents of Mass Violence, and Preparedness on a College Campus: A Study of University Faculty and Staff* (Chair: Stefan E. Schulenberg, PhD)
- May 2013* **Bachelor of Science in Psychology, *summa cum laude***
The University of the South, Sewanee, TN
Major: Psychology with departmental honors
Minor: Spanish

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- Davis, C. L., **Weber, M. C.**, Green, J., & Schulenberg, S. E. (in press). Perceptions and attitudes regarding preparedness for campus disasters. *Best Practices in Mental Health: Special Issue on Disaster Mental Health*.
- Waddell, T., Bailey, E., **Weber, M.**, Ivory, J., & Downs, E. (in press). When media violence awakens our better nature: The effect of unpleasant violence on altruism and enjoyment of media violence. *Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media*.
- Weber, M. C.**, Pavlacic, J. M., Gawlik, E. A., Schulenberg, S. E., & Buchanan, E. (available online June 2019). Modeling Resilience, Meaning in Life, Posttraumatic Growth, and Disaster Preparedness with Two Samples of Tornado Survivors. *Traumatology: Special Issue on Climate Change, Trauma, and Resilience*.
- Weber, M. C.**, Schulenberg, S. E., & Lair, E. C. (2018). University employees' preparedness for natural hazards and incidents of mass violence: An application of the Extended Parallel Process Model. *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction* 81, 1082-1091.

Banyard, V., **Weber, M. C.**, Grych, J., & Hamby, S. (2016). Where are the helpful bystanders? Ecological niche and victims' perceptions of bystander intervention. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 44(2), 214-231.

Hamby, S., **Weber, M. C.**, Banyard, V., & Grych, J. (2015). What difference do bystanders make? The association of victim outcomes with bystander involvement in a community sample. *Psychology of Violence* 6(1), 91-102.

PUBLISHED BOOK CHAPTERS

Weber, M. C., Gawlik, E. A., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2018). Hurricane Sandy. In D. H. McElreath, D. A. Doss, R. Nations, J. M. Van Slyke, C. J. Jensen, ... & A. M. Lindsley, *Disasters that shaped emergency management* (pp. 61-68). Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Weber, M., Gawlik, E., March, K., Pavlacic, J., Schulenberg, S., & Buchanan, E. (2018, April). *Gender differences in resilience, meaning, and purpose using factor-analytic techniques and scale scores*. Oral presentation at ResilienceCon, Nashville, TN.

Ho, L., **Weber, M.**, Gawlik, E., & Schulenberg, S. (2018, March). *Student preparedness and perceptions of violence on college campuses*. Interest group presented at the Southeastern Psychological Assoc. (SEPA) annual convention, Charleston, SC.

White, K. E., Stephens, L. T., **Weber, M. C.**, Tkachuck, M., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2016, April). *Tornado preparedness of university students*. Paper presented at the Third Annual Conference on Psychological Science, Oxford, MS.

Weber, M. C., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2015, May). *Research at the University of Mississippi's Clinical-Disaster Research Center*. Oral presentation at the Partners in Preparedness Summit, Biloxi, MS.

Weber, M. C., Tkachuck, M., Weathers, L., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2015, April). *Emergency Preparedness of University of Mississippi Students*. Paper presented at the University of Mississippi Conference on Psychological Science, Oxford, MS.

Weber, M. C., Weathers, L., Tkachuck, M., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2015, April). *Emergency Preparedness of University of Mississippi Faculty and Staff*. Paper presented at the University of Mississippi Conference on Psychological Science, Oxford, MS.

Weber, M. C., Hamby, S. L., Banyard, V., & Grych, J. (2014, March). *What difference do bystanders make? Bystander involvement and victim mental health.* Oral presentation at the Southeastern Psychological Assoc. (SEPA) annual meeting, Nashville, TN.

Waddell, T. F., Downs, E. P., Ivory, J. D., Akom, K., **Weber, M. C.,** & Hayspell, D. (2013, August). *Morally engaged and cognitively mixed: The prosocial effects of exposure to unpleasant media violence on charitable giving.* Paper presented to the Mass Communication and Society Division at the annual conference of the Assoc. for Educ. in Journalism and Mass Comm., Wash., DC.

Waddell, T. F., Fox, J., Ivory, J. D., Holz Ivory, A., **Weber, M. C.,** Akom, K., & Hayspell, D. (2013, August). *Sex role stereotyping is hard to kill: A field experiment measuring social responses to user characteristics and behavior in an online multiplayer game.* Paper presented to the Communication Technology Division at the annual conference of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Wash., D.C.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Weber, M., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2019, November). *Self-Efficacy for Disaster Preparedness: A Multi-Group Latent Variable Model with University Students, Faculty, and Staff.* Poster presented at the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.

Weber, M., & Hamby, S. (2018, May). *Facets of meaning: A factor analysis of meaning in life measures.* Poster presented at ResilienceCon, Nashville, TN.

Weber, M. C., Schulenberg, S. E., & Lair, E. C. (2017, August). *Natural disasters, incidents of mass violence, and preparedness of university faculty and staff.* Poster presented at the American Psychological Assoc. (APA) annual convention, Washington, DC.

Weber, M. C., Pavlacic, J., Buchanan, E., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2017, July). *Meaning, self-efficacy, and posttraumatic growth in university students: A study of tornado impact and survivor resilience.* Poster presented at the World Congress on Positive Psychology, Montreal, Quebec.

Weber, M. C., Pavlacic, J., Buchanan, E., & Schulenberg, S. E. (2017, July). *Meaning, self-efficacy, and posttraumatic growth in university faculty and staff: A study of tornado impact and survivor resilience.* Poster presented at the World Congress on Positive Psychology, Montreal, Quebec.

Weber, M.C., Rutherford, H., & Mayes, L. (2013, July). *Alpha power differences between smoking and non-smoking mothers at rest*. Poster presented at the Yale Child Study Center undergraduate presentation, New Haven, CT.

Weber, M. C., Hamby, S. L., Banyard, V., & Grych, J. (2013, November). *Characterizing bystanders of peer violence, family violence, and assault in rural settings*. Poster presented at the Tenn. Psychological Assoc. (TPA) annual meeting, Nashville, TN.

Weber, M. C., & Hamby, S. L. (2012, Sept.) *Malleable protective factors of child abuse and intimate partner violence: A literature review*. Poster presented at the International Conference on Violence, Abuse, and Trauma, San Diego, CA.
Poster also presented at Scholarship Sewanee, Sewanee TN (2012, April).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant | 2014 – present

CLINICAL-DISASTER RESEARCH CENTER, The Univ. of Mississippi, Oxford, MS
Center Director: Stefan E. Schulenberg, PhD

Post-Baccalaureate Research Assistant | 2013-2014

LIFE PATHS RESEARCH PROGRAM, The Univ. of the South, Sewanee, TN
Director: Sherry Hamby, PhD

Summer Research Assistant | 2013

THE YALE CHILD STUDY CENTER, Yale Medical School, New Haven, CT
Director: Linda Mayes, MD

Undergraduate Research Assistant | 2011-2013

DEPT. OF PSYCHOLOGY, The University of the South, Sewanee, TN
Mentors: Sherry Hamby, PhD; Albert Bardi, PhD; Helen Bateman, PhD

National Science Foundation Internship in Violence Prevention | 2012

GAMING AND MEDIA EFFECTS RESEARCH LAB, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
Director: James Ivory, PhD

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

<i>July 2019 – June 2020</i>	<p>Assessment Coordinator PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES CENTER Supervisors: Scott Gustafson, PhD</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train and supervise all graduate assessors at the center in assessment didactics and center procedures • Serve as initial contact for potential and scheduled assessment clients • Schedule, recruit, and promote all clinic assessment services including comprehensive psychological evaluations, dyslexia evaluations, university athletics assessments, UPD fitness for duty evaluations • Oversee administration, scoring, peer review, report writing, revisions, and feedback appointments • Represent the center at community outreach activities, e.g. health fairs • Manage relationships with local service providers and referral organizations • Oversee all clinic resources such as ordering test protocols, categorizing inventory, and filing invoices.
<i>Fall 2015 – present</i>	<p>Assessor PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES CENTER Supervisors: Scott Gustafson, PhD (2014-18)</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct integrated assessments including evaluations for learning disorders, ADHD, intellectual disability, giftedness, personality disorders, and court hearings
<i>March 2015 – present</i>	<p>Therapist PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES CENTER Supervisors: Stefan Schulenberg, PhD (2014-16), Scott Gustafson, PhD (2014-18), Laura Johnson, PhD (2016-17), Laura Dixon, PhD (2017-18), Kelly Wilson, PhD (2018-present)</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide individual behavior therapy, cognitive behavior therapy, acceptance and commitment therapy, dialectical behavior therapy, and strengths-based interventions for children and adults, with a caseload of 3-4 clients at a time. • Lead cultural adjustment group for female international students (2016-2017)
<i>July 2018 – June 2019</i>	<p>Community Mental Health Therapist COMMUNICARE, Oxford, MS Supervisors: Kelly Wilson, PhD, and Dixie Church, LMFT</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide individual behavior therapy, cognitive behavior therapy, acceptance and commitment therapy, and dialectical behavior therapy for adults, with a caseload of over 70 clients. • Conduct intake assessments for clients who will be referred to medication management or case management services. • Develop and review treatment plans for clients receiving therapy, medication management, case management, and other community mental health services.

Sept. 2016
- May 2018 **Mental Health Consultant**
HEAD START CENTERS OF NORTH MISSISSIPPI, Institute of Community
Services
Mental Health Director: Alan Gross, PhD

- Implemented functional analysis and functional interventions for child externalizing behavior problems in the classroom
- Worked with teachers to develop behavior support plans for preschool children
- Conducted mental health observations for over 30 classrooms
- Provided consultation and referrals for children with behavioral health problems
- Conducted workshops on early childhood behavior and classroom management

August 2016
- July 2017 **Therapist**
BAPTIST CHILDRENS VILLAGE, Water Valley, MS and Independence, MS
Clinical Supervisor: Randy Cotton, PhD

- Provided individual therapy for children and youth placed at foster care group homes
- Implemented behaviorally-based individual therapy, family therapy with sibling groups, and parent training for "house parent" staff
- Assessments for intellectual disability and personality disorders

July 2015
- July 2016 **Therapy and Assessment Intern**
THE BADDOUR CENTER, Senatobia, MS
Clinical Supervisor: Shannon Hill, PhD

- Provided individual behavior therapy for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, with a caseload of 5-6 clients at a time
- Developed and led two social skills groups for adults with mild intellectual disability
- Conducted functional behavior assessments, mental status exams, dementia screeners, and Tardive Dyskinesia assessments

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record | PSY 201: Introduction to Psychology
Fall 2017, Spring 2018, The University of Mississippi

Guest Lecturer | Positive Psychology, Psychology and Law, Disaster Mental Health
2015-2017, The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS

Tutor | Graduate and undergraduate statistics courses
Fall 2016 - Spring 2018, The University of Mississippi

Instructor | Preparation course for the GRE
June 2018, The McNair Scholars Program, The University of Mississippi

Teacher | Elementary English
Taught school-age children in Spanish
Summer 2011, Christ for the City International, San Jose, Costa Rica

Teacher | High School Mathematics, Biology, and English (similar to GED courses)
Taught adolescent and adult women in Spanish
Summer 2011, Christ for the City International, Costa Rica

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Graduate Achievement Award | 2019 | The Univ. of Miss. Graduate School

Travel Award | 2016-2018 | The Univ. of Miss. Graduate School

Travel Award | 2015-2018 | The Univ. of Miss. Dept. of Psychology

Underrepresented Scholar Fellowship | 2014 - 2018 | The Univ. of Miss. Graduate School

McCrary Prize for Student Research in the Behavioral Sciences | 2013 | The Univ. of the South

Moving Mountains Award | 2013 | by All Saint's Outreach Ministries, for service to the communities of Franklin and Grundy Counties, TN

Research Experience for Undergraduates | 2012 | National Science Foundation stipend

Dean's List | *all undergraduate semesters* | The University of the South

NCAA Academic Honor Roll | *all undergraduate semesters* | As a swimmer for Sewanee Swimming & Diving, NCAA Division III

Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society | 2013 | for Liberal Arts

Psi Chi Honor Society | 2011 | for Psychology

Sigma Delta Pi Honor Society | 2012 | for Spanish

Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society | 2012 | for Leadership

National Merit Scholar | 2008

REVIEWING

Ad-hoc journal reviewer: *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*

Abstract reviewer: IPPA 6th World Congress on Positive Psychology

Abstract reviewer: APA Annual Meeting, Division 17 – Positive Psychology

SERVICE

Communications Committee | 2019-2020

Graduate Student Advisory Council to the Chair | 2017-2018
DEPT. OF PSYCHOLOGY, Univ. of Mississippi

Interdisciplinary Disaster Sciences undergraduate minor | *Spring 2017*

- Co-authored the proposal for a disaster sciences minor at the Univ. of Mississippi
- Co-wrote the description of the minor for the curriculum catalog

Disaster preparedness and awareness initiatives | 2015-2017

CLINICAL-DISASTER RESEARCH CENTER and THE INCIDENT RESPONSE TEAM

- Distributed informational materials regarding ways to prepare for disasters, twice at the student union of the Univ. of Mississippi – Oxford campus

- Distributed informational materials specific to faculty guiding university students, to all faculty at the Univ. of Mississippi – Oxford campus

SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS

Language: Conversational Spanish

Assessment Experience: Weschler tests (WAIS-IV, WISC-V, WPPSI-IV, WIAT-III), Woodcock-Johnson tests (WJ-Cog., WJ-Ach., WJ-Oral Lang.), CCPT-2 and K, MINI-5 and 6, MINI-Kid, DIVA (adult ADHD), P-ChIPS, ChIPS, SCID-II, MMPI-2

Statistics: Bayesian inference methods, traditional null-hypothesis significance testing methods including mediation and bootstrapping techniques, factor analytic techniques, and some experience with latent variable modeling

Software: R and R Studio, SPSS, Amelia II, Microsoft Excel, Qualtrics, Survey Monkey, Google Forms

Provisionally Certified Mental Health Therapist (PCMHT) | *Aug. 2018 – present* | Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Psychological First Aid Certification | *2015* | American Red Cross

First Aid & CPR Certification | *2016* | American Red Cross

CPR Certification | *2018* | American Heart Association

Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Certification | *2015, 2018* | Crisis Prevention Institute

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Research Training Attended

Experience Sampling Methods webinar by Dr. Daniel Beal | *Jan. 26, 2018* | The Consortium for the Advancement of Research Methods and Analysis (CARMA)

Qualtrics Survey Software workshop by Emmie Hebert, MA | *Apr. 8, 2016* | Oxford, MS

Qualitative interviewing training by Dr. Ed de St. Aubin | *Aug. 2013* | Sewanee, TN

Clinical Workshops Attended

Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Workshop and Retreat, by Dr. Kelly Wilson | *May 5-7, 2018* | Memphis, TN

Post-traumatic growth interventions for the treatment of traumatic stress, by Dr. Chrystal Park | *Nov. 11, 2016* | Oxford, MS

Autism Skills Training Workshop, by Dr. Sheila Williamson | *March 7, 2016* | Senatobia, MS

Testing with the Woodcock-Johnson, by Dr. Shannon Sharp | *Fall 2015* | Oxford, MS