# Victoria Ivanova Hones

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# **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Interest in understanding the underlying neural circuitry behind cognition, learning and memory, and decision making that are involved in psychiatric disorders such as depression and Alzheimer's disease.

## **EDUCATION**

**University of Washington** Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology

**Seattle University** Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology

**Bellevue College** Associate of Arts Degree

# **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

#### Mizumori Laboratory, University of Washington

Lab Technician

- . Conduct optogenetic experiments on the neurophysiology of rodent memory
- Build electronic devices that are used for neural recordings in awake behaving rodents .
- Use microscopy to confirm placement and viral expression within different brain structures
- Histological preparation of brain tissue for microscopic analysis
- Perform viral surgeries and perfusions

## HARC Laboratory, DePaul University

Research Assistant

- Conduct weekly interviews with individuals who are chronically homeless and have persistent mental illness or substance use disorders to compare their housing placement to their life satisfaction
- Collaborate with supervisors and research assistants in constructing effective design and administration of measures in order to achieve the study's objectives
- Maintain awareness of participant's vulnerability and disability while holding a neutral disposition during the study

# **PUBLICATIONS**

- Hones, V. I., & Mizumori, S. J. Y. (2022). Response flexibility: The role of the lateral habenula. Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience. [in press]
- Cummings, C., Lei, Q., Hochberg, L., Hones, V. I. (2022). Social Support and Networks Among People Experiencing Chronic Homelessness: A Systematic Review. American Journal of Orthopsychiatry. [in press] American Journal of Orthopsychiatry
- Kidder K. S., Miles, J. T., Baker P. M., Hones, V. I., Gire, D. H., Mizumori, S. J. Y. (2021). A selective role for the mPFC during choice and deliberation, but not spatial memory retention over short delays. Hippocampus. [in press] PMID: 33507595

Seattle, WA Expected: 2025

> Seattle, WA June 2018

Bellevue, WA June 2016

Seattle, WA August 2018 – September 2020

Chicago, IL

June 2017 – March 2020

# **RESEARCH PROJECTS IN PROGRESS**

**Study 1**: This study determines the impact on memory performance before and after disruption of the communication between the medial prefrontal cortex and lateral habenula using designer receptors exclusively activated by designer drugs **Study 2**: This study explores the baseline and psilocybin-induced neural activity in the lateral habenula using calcium imaging in freely behaving rodents

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Neuroscience of The Mind, **Teaching Assistant**, University of Washington, 2021 & 2022 Biopsychology, **Teaching Assistant**, University of Washington, 2021 Introduction to Psychology, **Teaching Assistant**, University of Washington, 2021

# POSTER PRESENTATIONS AT SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

Kidder, K., Miles, J., Baker, P., Hones, V., Gire, D., & Mizumori, S. (2021, January). A Selective Role For The mPFC During Choice and Deliberation, But Not Spatial Memory Retention Over Short Delays. Neurobiology of Learning & Memory, Park City, UT. Online.

Torres, M., Hones, V. (2020). *Disruption of Medial Prefrontal Cortex Induces Epoch Specific Deficits in Spatial Delayed Alternation Performance*. [Abstract]. SACNAS 2020, online.

Kidder, K., Miles, J., Zhang, S., Ivanova, V., & Mizumori, S. (2019, July). *mPFC Disruption Alters Hippocampal-Dependent Deliberative Behavior*. Neurofutures Conference, Portland, OR.

#### EDITORIAL SERVICE

**eNeuro** *Reviewer* 

Learning & Memory Reviewer

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**Brain Awareness Week Open House, University of Washington** *Neuroscience outreach for kids* 

**Outdoor Meal Site, AOK Friends** *Volunteer feeding the homeless* 

**Multicare Medical Center** *Volunteer at the Oncology Center* 

#### SKILLS

- Handling and care of rodents
- Optogenetic assembly and techniques
- Rodent surgeries (perfusion, viral, Implant)

November 2020

December 2020

Seattle, WA March 2019

Seattle, WA June 2017 – August 2018

> Auburn, WA April - July 2017

- Electrophysiological and calcium recordings
- Histological preparation
- Use of fluorescent microscope

Micro-drive assembly

• Learning Python and MATLAB