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### Education

2016-Present **Doctor of Philosophy**

*University of Southern Mississippi (USM), Hattiesburg, MS*

Department of Psychology

Major Area: Clinical Psychology

Advisor: Joye Anestis, Ph.D.

2012-2014 **Bachelor of Arts**

*Portland State University (PSU), Portland, OR*

Summa cum laude with honors

Major Areas: Criminology & Criminal Justice (CCJ); Psychology

Minor Area: Spanish

Undergraduate Thesis: Applying Deception Detection to True and False

Confessions: A Novel Approach to Experiments in Legal Psychology

Thesis Adviser: Kris Henning, Ph.D.

### Manuscripts Published in Peer-Reviewed Publications

Harrop, T. M., **Preston, O. C.**, Khazem, L. R., Anestis, M. D., Junearick, R., Green, B.A., & Anestis, J. C. (in press). Dark traits and suicide: Associations between psychopathy, narcissism, and components of the interpersonal-psychological theory of suicide. *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*.

### Manuscripts Under Review

**Preston, O. C.** & Anestis, J. C. (n.d.) Psychopathy and political attitudes: Examining affiliation, support of political issues, and the role of empathy.

**Preston, O. C.**, Gillen, C. T. A., Anestis, J., Charles, N., & Barry, C. (n.d.) Examining callous-unemotional traits in at-risk youth using the Personality Assessment Inventory – Adolescent.

### Manuscripts in Preparation

**Preston, O. C.**, Watts, A. L., Anestis, J. C., & Lilienfeld, S. O. (n.d.) Psychopathy's relations to physical and relational aggression: Considering sex and gender role adherence.

Anestis, J. C., Anestis, M. A., & **Preston, O. C.** (n.d.) Psychopathic traits as a form of dispositional capability for suicide: Gender differences within a sample of American firearm owners.

**Preston, O. C.**, Butterworth, S. E., Khazem, L., Houtsma, C., Anestis, M., & Anestis, J. C. (n.d.) Exploring the relations of psychopathic and narcissistic personality traits to military experiences.

Anestis, J. C., Finn, J. A., Harrop, T., **Preston, O. C.**, Arnau, R. C. (n.d.) A personality profile approach to preferences and client-therapist matching.

### **Presentations at Professional Conferences**

**Preston, O. C.**, Anestis, J. C., Tull, M. T., & Gratz, K. L. (2017, November). Understanding the Role of Antisocial and Borderline Personality Disorder Symptoms and Shame in a Residential Substance Use Treatment Sample. Poster accepted at the Association for Cognitive Behavioral Therapies, San Diego, CA.

**Preston, O. C.**, Anestis, J. C., Watts, A. L., & Lilienfeld, S. O. (2017, June). Psychopathy's Relations with Physical and Relational Aggression: The Roles of Sex and Gender. Poster presented at the Society for Scientific Study of Psychopathy, Antwerp, Belgium.

**Preston, O. C.**, Anestis, J. C., Gillen, C. T., Charles, N. E., & Barry, C. T. (2017, March). Examining Callous-Unemotional Traits in At-Risk Youth on the Personality Assessment Inventory –Adolescent: Theoretical and Clinical Considerations. Poster presented at the American Psychology–Law Society, Seattle, WA.

Brady, G. Hammer, L., **Preston, O. C.**, & Nishen, A.K. (2016, May). Combat Experiences, Personality, Iso-strain and Sleep Quality Affect Posttraumatic Stress Among Working Post-9/11 Veterans. Poster presented at the 4th Annual Student Research Symposium, Portland State University, Portland, OR.

Nishen, A. K., **Preston, O. C.**, Brule, H., & the Learning Gardens Educational Assessment Group (LEAG). (2016, May). Predicting Academic Motivation: Contextual Supports for Diverse Students' Engagement and Everyday Resilience. Poster presented at the Oregon Psychology Association convention, Portland, OR.

**Preston O. C.** & Henning, K (2016, April). Effects of Deception Detection Training on Perceived Veracity of Confessions. Poster presented at the Western Psychology Association convention, Long Beach, CA.

**Preston O. C.** & Henning, K. (2016, March). Analyzing Police Communications to Communities from a Legitimacy-Oriented Perspective of Policing. Poster presented at the annual conference of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Denver, Co.

Johnston, G., **Preston, O. C.**, Cummings, C., Bowling, L., & Johnston, S. (2015, June). Why It is So Difficult to Catch Liars. Poster presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Science conference, San Francisco, CA.

- Preston, O. C.**, Johnston, G., Cummings, C., Bowling, L. & Johnston, S. (2015, June). Empirically-Based Versus Subjective Assessment of Statements of Criminal Defendants. Poster presented at American Association for the Advancement of Science conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Preston, O. C.** & Lewis, M. (2015, May). Deception Detection in Clinical Interviews. Oral Presentation given at the Portland State University Student Research Symposium.
- Cummings, C., **Preston, O. C.**, Wise, N. & Johnston, S. (2015, May). Attributes of True and False Statements Made in Evaluation of Criminal Defendants. Poster presented at the Portland State University Student Research Symposium, Portland, OR.
- Bowling, L., **Preston, O. C.**, Norris, B., Gill, J. & Johnston, S. (2015, May). Direct Versus Indirect Assessment of Truthfulness. Poster presented at the Portland State University Student Research Symposium, Portland, OR.
- Bowling, L., **Preston, O. C.**, Norris, B., Babbitt, J. & Johnston, S. (2015, May). When Your Client Dissembles: Direct versus indirect assessment of truthfulness. Poster presented at the Oregon Psychological Association Convention, Eugene, OR.

### **Research Laboratory Experience**

- 2016- Personality Assessment and Clinical Outcomes Lab, Psychology Dept, USM.
- 2016 Center for Work-Family Stress, Safety, and Health, Psychology Dept., PSU
- 2015-2016 Motivation and Engagement Lab, Psychology Dept., PSU.
- 2015-2016 Peer Groups and Engagement Lab, Psychology Dept., PSU.
- 2015-2016 Crime Analysis & Public Perception Lab, Criminology & Criminal Justice Dept., PSU.
- 2014-2015 Deception Detection Lab, Psychology Dept., PSU.

### **Awards, Honors, and Fellowships**

- March 2017 CSRW 2017 Peggy Jean Conner Competition Award (\$1000)
- March 2017 Clinical Psychology Graduate Student Association Travel Award (\$100)
- Jan 2017 USM Foundation Travel Grant (\$150)
- June 2016 Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Fellowship Award (\$5,000)
- June 2016 PSU Student Academic Achievement Award
- 2015-2016 Urban Honors Program Undergraduate Research Grants (\$1,740)
- June 2015 "Outstanding Senior" Award in CCJ & Scholarship Award from Oregon Sheriff's Association (\$800)
- May 2015 Nomination for Student Speaker for the 2015 Simon Benson Awards
- May 2015 Nomination for PSU Student Achievement Award
- 2014-Present Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society Membership
- 2014-2015 College of Urban and Public Affairs Merit Scholarship
- 2012-2016 Portland State Urban Honors Program Laurel Merit Four-Year Scholarship
- 2012-Present President's List, PSU.

### **Clinical Experience**

Psychological Trainee (June 2017 – Present), USM Psychology Clinic, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

*Agency Type:* University-based, outpatient community mental health clinic.

*Populations Served:* Adults from the Hattiesburg community and USM students. Through an inexpensive sliding scale, the USM Psychology Clinic serves low SES populations.

*Job Description:* Provides outpatient psychotherapy using empirically supported treatments; conducting screening interviews; conducting psychological assessments; attending weekly didactic seminar.

Psychological Trainee (October 2016 – May 2017), Mississippi Youth Challenge Academy, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

*Agency Type:* Military-style residential program.

*Populations Served:* At-risk adolescents from across Mississippi demonstrating academic, behavioral or emotional impairment.

*Job Description:* Provided outpatient psychotherapy using Dialectical Behavior Therapy for Adolescents (DBT-A) Skills training; attended weekly DBT-A didactic seminar.

*Supervisors:* Joye Anestis, Ph.D., Nora Charles, Ph.D.

### **Professional Trainings**

Society for the Scientific Study of Psychopathy PhD Day, Thomas More University, Antwerp, Belgium, May 2017

Dialectical Behavior Therapy Two-Day Workshop, USM Clinical Psychology Program, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, December 2016

### **Teaching Experience**

Spring 2017     Substitute Teacher, Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, USM.

Spring 2017     Teaching Assistant, Abnormal Psychology, USM.

Fall 2016        Teaching Assistant, Careers in Psychology, USM.

Winter 2015    Teaching Assistant, Forensic Psychology, PSU.

### **Editorial Contributions**

2016-2017     Ad Hoc Reviewer: *Personality and Individual Differences*

2015-2016     Ad Hoc Reviewer: *European Journal of Criminology*

### **Relevant Leadership, Committees, and Service**

USM Clinical Psychology Admissions Days Student Representative, (2017)

Clinical Psychology Graduate Student Organization, Fundraising Committee Member and Co-Chair (2016 – Present)

USM Clinical Psychology Program Diversity Committee, Student Member (2016 – Present)

### **Volunteer Experience**

Fall 2015        Volunteer at Problem-Oriented Policing Conference

Winter 2014 Intern at Student Legal Services, PSU.

**Language Skills**

Russian Language (fluent)

Spanish Language (conversationally fluent)

**Professional and Honor Societies**

American Psychological Association of Graduate Students, Student Affiliate (2017 to Present)

American Psychology-Law Society (Division 41 of APA), Student Member (2017 to Present)

Association for Psychological Science (APS), Student Member (2017 to Present)

Society for the Scientific Study of Psychopathy, Student Affiliate Member (2017-Present)

Society for Personality Assessment, Student Member (2016-Present)

Phi Kappa Phi National Honors Society Member (2014-Present)

Psi Chi International Honor Society in Psychology, University of Southern Mississippi Chapter

**References**

References available upon request