

# Karissa Hernandez

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## Research Interests

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I am interested in family communication and children's development of communication patterns. My goal is to uncover behaviors and communication practices which are carried from one generation to the next via parent-child interaction in order to teach adults of approaches and methods which can aid in breaking unwanted patterned behavior.

## Education

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**M.A. – The University of Texas at Austin** *Expected Graduation: April 2023*  
Communication Studies, Interpersonal Communication  
GPA: 3.89

**B.A. – University of California-Berkeley** *August 2018-May 2020*  
Media Studies  
Graduation with Highest Distinction  
GPA: 3.91

**A.A. – Santa Barbara City College** *May 2017-May 2018*  
Communication: Science Emphasis  
Liberal Arts & Science: Social & Behavioral Science  
Liberal Arts & Science: Arts & Humanities  
Graduation with Honors  
GPA: 3.88

**California Lutheran University** *August 16-May 2017*  
GPA: 3.94

## Professional Experience

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**Graduate Teaching Assistant | Department of Communication Studies**

- CMS 315M Interpersonal Communication Theory with Dr. John Daly *Fall 2021*
- CMS 330 Interpersonal Health Communication with Dr. Erin Donovan *Spring 2022*
- CMS 354 Conflict Resolution with Dr. Katie Bradford *Fall 2022*

**Graduate Assistant | Priscilla Pond Flawn Child and Family Laboratory**

- 2-year-old class with Professor Lara Pauley *Fall 2022*
- NAEYC accredited facility

**Childcare** *August 2018-present*

- Childcare provider in Southern California, Northern California, Texas, and Spain

**CIEE Teach Abroad** *September 2020-July 2021*

- Language and Culture Assistant in Madrid, Spain
- Created and implemented English immersion curriculum for children 0-5 years old

**Research Assistant | University of California at Berkeley**

*August 2018-June 2020*

- Research apprentice under Dr. Imogen Hart

**UC Berkeley Student Learning Center**

*January 2019-August 2020*

- Writing Educator
- Program facilitator

## **Professional Memberships**

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**Communication Studies Graduate Community | Member since 2021**

- Vice Chair & MA representative
- First year representative

**National Association for the Education of Young Children | Member since 2022**

- Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Affiliate
- Austin Chapter Member

**National Communication Association | Member since 2022**

- Interpersonal Communication Division
- Family Communication Division
- Latino/Latina Communication Studies Division

## **Awards & Accomplishments**

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**Graduate School Fellowship-University of Texas at Austin**

- 2021-2022 Academic School Year
- 2022-2023 Academic School Year

**College Recruitment Fellowship-University of Texas at Austin**

- 2021-2022 Academic School Year
- 2022-2023 Academic School Year