

Alyssa Adams

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EDUCATION

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH; Expected Graduation: May 2027
College of Arts and Sciences, Honors Program; Overall GPA: 4.00/4.00
B.A. with Honors in Psychology; Major GPA: 4.00/4.00

Columbus State Community College, Columbus, OH
College Credit Plus Program, Overall GPA 4.00/4.00

AWARDS AND HONORS

May-July 2026	Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP) Fully funded 9-week summer research internship \$6000, plus room and board at The Ohio State University
May 2025	Monda International Experience Scholarship Awarded for essay competition & community service \$5000 intended for study abroad program
Autumn 2025-Spring 2026	Dean's List at The Ohio State University
Autumn 2023-Spring 2025	Dean's List at Columbus State Community College

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Stiehl, M., **Adams, A.**, O'Fallon, C., & Gray, K. (in preparation). The Sin and Sinner: Religious Moral Judgements of Act and Character

RESEARCH

Undergraduate Researcher, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Social Problems and Action Lab, May 2026- July 2026

Co-Advisor: Dr. Riana Brown

- Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP) through the Big10 Academic Alliance
 - Selected for a fully-funded, 9-week research experience, one of 40 students chosen from approximately 750 applicants
- Privilege Project
 - Expanded a previously collected lab dataset on levels of personal and group privilege (2013-2025) by incorporating nationally representative Pew Research Center data
 - Conducting ongoing analysis of 51,000 survey respondents from Pew Research Center using weighted linear and logistic regression in RStudio

Undergraduate Researcher, The Ohio State University, Columbus OH

Deepest Beliefs Lab, May 2026- July 2026

Co-Advisors: Dr. Kurt Gray and Miranda Stiehl

- Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP) through the Big10 Academic Alliance
 - Selected for a fully-funded, 9-week research experience, one of 40 students chosen from approximately 750 applicants
- Sin and Sinners Project
 - Examined the influence of religiosity on moral judgements of act and character
 - Collaborating on revising an unpublished master's thesis into a manuscript for submission to Psychology of Religion and Spirituality this fall; second author

Group Project, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

PSYCH 4520 Social Psychology Lab, January-May 2026

Advisor: Dr. Kristy Boyce

- Political Ideology and Partisan Agreement Project
 - Designed an original experimental manipulation, collected, and analyses data as part of a semester-long (16-week) undergraduate research course
 - Collaborated with five undergraduate students
 - Analyzed data using two-way ANOVA and Cronbach's alpha in JASP, results supported the hypothesis, $p=0.005$

Independent Research Project, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Subjective Perspectives Lab, December 2025-Present

Advisor: Dr. Lisa Libby

- Perspective and Language Project
 - Conducted exploratory analysis of previously collected discrimination narratives to examine the relationship between visual perspective and narrative arc
 - Self-studied LIWC (linguistic analysis platform) and RStudio

Research Assistant, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Deepest Beliefs Lab, December 2025-Present

Advisor: Dr. Kurt Gray

- Minorities in Psychology of Religion Project
 - Organized and conducted an initial literature review of journal articles studying minority populations, produced annotated summaries of 35 articles
 - Trends in literature helped frame a grant proposal and theoretical basis for an upcoming manuscript
- Common Grounds Communities project
 - Programmed a Qualtrics survey exploring how hobby-group membership influences political animosity, in support of a graduate student's project

Research Assistant, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Subjective Perspectives Lab, September 2025-Present

Advisor: Dr. Lisa Libby

- Interracial Social Support Project
 - Programmed two experimental surveys in Qualtrics-a 2x2x2 fully between-subjects design and a 3x2x2 mixed-design- to manipulate support-receiver and support-giver perspectives
 - Led a literature review of 60 peer-review articles focused on empathy and sympathy traits to inform study design/hypothesis
- Photo Preference Thematic Analysis Project
 - Developed and applied inductive coding scheme to analyze 120 participant excerpts on factors contributing to photo preference. Identified 7 codes and 4 recurring themes.

PRESENTATIONS

Oral Presentations

Adams, A., Stiehl, M., O'Fallon, C., Gray, K. (2026, July). *Hating the Sinner and the Sin: Religious People Equate Bad Acts with Bad Character*. 8-minute talk presented at the Consortium Research Symposium, The Ohio State University, Columbus OH.

Poster Presentations

Adams, A. Brown, R. (2026, July). *Shifting Public Perceptions: Racial Privilege and Gender Disadvantage*. Poster presented at the Consortium Research Symposium, The Ohio State University, Columbus OH.

Adams, A., Bunts, A., Ceccoli, P., Hatcher, E., Liu, L., Marsico, A. (2026, July). *Political Ideology and its Relationship with Partisan Agreement*. Poster presented at the Summer Undergraduate Research Education Program Conference, University of Georgia, Live Virtual Presentation.

Adkins, A., Bunts, A., Ceccoli, P., Hatcher, E., Liu, L., Marsico, A. (2026, April). *Political Ideology and its Relationship with Partisan Agreement*. Poster presented at Department of Psychology Undergraduate Research Colloquium, The Ohio State University, Columbus OH. *presented under former last name

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Advanced Training Program, World Federation of United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland

United Nations Geneva, May 2026

- Weeklong certificate program emphasizing the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals, ongoing research, and role on the global state
- Two required deliverables: Oral presentation of an original proposed solutions for two Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and a Model UN diplomatic negotiation on Artificial Intelligence Policy

CERTIFICATES

Data Science: R Basics, HarvardX PH125.1x

April 2026

SKILLS

Statistical Programming: RStudio, JASP (familiar)

Software: Qualtrics, LIWC (linguistic analysis platform), Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Lightroom

Language Skills: American Sign Language (entry-level)

Interests: hiking, rock climbing, reading, coffee