

MADISON BRUNSON

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EDUCATION

Methodist University, Graduation May 2024

- Wright Scholar
- Major: Bachelor of Science in Human Performance Psychology (Human Factors and Industrial/Organizational Psychology) and Clinical/Counseling Psychology
- Minor: Business Management and Cognitive Neuroscience
- Completed the Honors Program
- Current GPA: 4.0
- [MU Today: The Brunson Method](#)
 - Follow the link for an article outlining my academic achievements and drive at Methodist University

AWARDS

- Methodist University President's List Fall 2023
- Alpha Sigma Alpha Theta Chi Attain Award Summer 2023
- Alpha Sigma Alpha National Elizabeth Bird Small Award Summer 2023
- Female Scholar Athlete of the Year 2022-2023
- Methodist University President's List Spring 2023
- Methodist University Women's Soccer Conference Champions Fall 2022
- Methodist University President's List Fall 2022
- Alpha Sigma Alpha Hermes Society (Academic Honor Society) Fall 2022
- Women's Soccer USA South First Team All-Conference Fall 2022
- Alpha Sigma Alpha National Outstanding Athlete Award Summer 2022
- Female Scholar Athlete of the Year 2021-2022
- Methodist University President's List Spring 2022
- Methodist University President's List Fall 2021
- Women's Soccer USA South All-Tournament Team Fall 2021
- Women's Soccer USA South First Team All-Conference Fall 2021
- Women's Soccer USA South First Team East Division Fall 2021
- Female Scholar Athlete of the Year 2020-2021
- Methodist University President's List Spring 2021
- Scholar Athlete Award Spring 2021
- Varsity Letter Award for Women's Soccer Spring 2021
- Women's Soccer USA South All-Conference Second Team Spring 2021
- Women's Soccer USA South Academic All-Conference Honoree 2020-2021
- Methodist University President's List Fall 2020

RESEARCH

Methodist University Psychology Research Assistant

- Psychology Department Research Assistant

Fall 2023 - Present

Current Project: Researching opioid addiction, writing and editing a chapter in a book, will be listed as co-author of a chapter, tentatively titled *Psychology of Addiction*, in a book tentatively titled, *Opioids 360*, publication will occur in 2024, chapter includes: pharmacology, opioid addiction pathways, harm reduction, regulatory pathways, and treatment approaches

Future Projects: Biracial identity study, psychology & philosophy

Methodist University Research Seminar Project

- The Utility of Mindfulness Based Art Therapy Interventions in Reducing the Impact of Learned Helplessness Category Stressors in College Students

Fall 2022-Spring 2023

Duties include: Researching topic, designing experiment, piloting study, recruiting participants, running study properly, analyzing data, running data through software, interpreting results, writing research paper, working with faculty researcher and other student researchers

Results: Partial support for the hypothesis was found

Professional Presentation: Presented study and results at the Methodist University CRC Research Symposium in Spring 2023 & co-author of the national presentation at the Southeastern Psychological Association Conference in March 2024

Publication: will be publishing this study in an academic journal in 2024

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Freedom Christian Academy Middle School Girls Soccer Head Coach

Spring 2024

Methodist University Psychology Research Assistant

- Psychology Department Research Assistant

Fall 2023 - Present

Duties include: Weekly meetings with faculty supervisor Mark Kline, PhD, researching topics, analyzing academic articles, summarizing documents for review, academic writing for publishing, using statistical software, documenting information, and communicating via email and in person

Rocket Fizz Fayetteville – Soda Pop and Candy Shop

- Sales Associate August 2023 – Present
Duties include: Stocking soda and candy, assisting customers with purchases, answering merchandise related questions, completing sales in the system

New Student Orientation Captain

- New Student Orientation Captain at Methodist University August 2022 & 2023
Duties include: Completing a two day training program, managing all 42 orientation leaders, coordinating orientation groups and leader partners, assisting the faculty as needed with the coordination of events, giving a speech to new students, and maintaining the positive and upbeat environment of orientation

Methodist University CHAMPS Supervisor

- Athlete Study Hall Supervisor Spring 2022 - Spring 2023
Duties include: Communicating with faculty supervisor, communicating with other monitors, taking athlete attendance, communicating with coaches, motivating athletes, and aiding athletes in creating study plans and utilizing campus resources

New Student Orientation Leader

- Work as a New Student Orientation Leader at Methodist University August 2021
Duties include: Completing a three day training program and guiding a group of 21 student for three days through events, activities, and meetings

CERTIFICATIONS

Mandated Reporter Certification

- Completed 2 hour course for recognizing and responding to suspicions of child maltreatment

SMART Recovery Facilitator Certification

- Completed GSF: 201 Facilitator Training for teaching people with addiction techniques to overcome their addiction and maintain a healthy life style

VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

Alpha Sigma Alpha Volunteering

- Work as a volunteer in many different capacities 2020 - Present
Duties include: participating in service and giving events, volunteering with organizations, fundraising money for charitable giving, and collecting items for charitable giving, completing numerous service hours through the Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority

Liberty Hospice and Homecare

- Work as a volunteer 2022 - Present
Duties include: calling families prior to the weekend to ensure they have all necessary materials, visiting hospice patients in facilities weekly, documenting phone calls and visits, submitting documentation to the Volunteer Coordinator

Peer Mentor

- Work as a Peer Mentor to Freshmen Fall 2021
Duties include: Completing training, attending every MU Journey class, creating a group for communication with students, sending reminders for projects and due dates, and inviting students to events on campus

Substance Abuse Training Opportunity

- Complete the Smart Recovery Training Course Summer 2021
Duties include: Completing the course over the Summer through Methodist University, working with Dr. Jamie Robbins (Professor of Physical Education and Exercise Science), and leading student sessions at Methodist University

Community Engagement in Literacy

- Reading to first-grade student at Margaret Willis Elementary School Spring 2021
Duties include: Working with the student for one hour every week, reviewing sight words, teaching new words, and completing exercises regarding the readings

History Department Student Forum to Hire a New Faculty Member

- Student Forum for Dr. Greg Kaliss April 2021
Duties include: Asking thoughtful questions of candidate, sharing information about myself, and sharing feedback with the History Department
- Student Forum for Dr. Madison Cates April 2021
Duties include: Asking thoughtful questions of candidate, sharing information about myself, and sharing feedback with the History Department
- Student Forum for Dr. Micah Wright March 2021
Duties include: Asking thoughtful questions of candidate, sharing information about myself, and sharing feedback with the History Department

Subject in Psychological Studies

- Online Conformity Study March 2021
Duties include: Participating in the study, completing the two surveys attached to the study, and sharing my scores
- Social Support and Mental Illness Study March 2021

Duties include: Participating in the study, completing the four surveys attached to the study, and sharing my scores

Mandated Reporter Training

- Complete Mandated Reporter Training January 2021

Duties include: Completing online Mandated Reporter Training, learning how to recognize and respond to suspicions of child maltreatment, and being certified to report the signs when working with children

OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

University Ambassador

- Work as a University Ambassador at Methodist University 2022 - Present
Duties include: leading hour long tours for prospective students, answering any questions, sharing life experiences, and being extremely knowledgeable about the University, the University's programs, and the campus itself

Leadership Fellows

- Distinguished Leadership Fellow Spring 2024
- Member of Leadership Fellows Fall 2021 – Present
Duties include: Making a difference in the community, developing as a rising leader, individualizing programs for self-improvement, and acquiring knowledge, values, skills, and practical experiences to empower extraordinary leadership

GREEK LIFE

Greek Council

- Greek Council Secretary Fall 2023-Spring 2024
Duties include: Attending Greek Council meetings once every three weeks, attending Greek Council Executive Board Meetings once every three weeks, taking notes, distributing notes from each meeting to the proper organization representatives, working with the Greek organizations to plan joint events, working with the Executive Board to plan events for Greek Life, creating content for Greek Life social media, and posting content on a regular schedule
- Delegate for Alpha Sigma Alpha 2023
Duties include: Attending Greek Council meetings once every three weeks, taking notes, sharing Alpha Sigma Alpha chapter events with other organizations, bringing upcoming events back to Alpha Sigma Alpha, working with the Greek organizations to plan joint events

College Panhellenic Council

- Vice President of Recruitment 2021

Duties include: Planning and executing all aspects of Panhellenic Recruitment, being familiar with the NPC Manual of Information and all governing documents of this association, and performing all other duties as assigned

Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority – An organization focusing on high morals, human connections and leadership

- Brand Ambassador Spring 2024
- President 2023

Duties include: Directing meetings, communications and overall business for an organization of 30 women, serving as a representative of the organization to external stakeholders and partners, recruiting quality individuals for upper-level leadership positions, conveying decisions made by executive leadership to organization members, recruiting women who match the values of Alpha Sigma Alpha, and managing an executive board of 6 women to ensure all chapter duties and obligations are completed

- Theta Chi Chapter Sister of the Month February 2022
For 3 months of hard and focused work on recruitment and a successful recruitment week
- Vice President of Public Relations and Recruitment 2022

Duties include: Maintaining positive public relations through community events, coaching 30 women on recruitment and communication skills to attract new members to the organization, delegating the creation of an organizational public relations campaign for internal and external stakeholders, planning 15 innovative and creative recruitment events for 50 attendees, and managing all logistical information for a recruitment process of 50 attendees

- Vice President of Alumnae and Heritage Fall 2021

Duties include: Providing networking opportunities between current and past organization members, facilitating professional development education to 5 graduating collegiate students, creating and distributing an electronic newsletter to 100+ women providing organizational updates, and compiling historical documentation for the organization through archives and written histories

- Standards Chairman Spring 2021

Duties include: Organizing and conducting disciplinary meetings for members who violated organizational bylaws, policies and procedures, assigning educational sanction to organization members for personal growth and development, and fostering and promoting a positive, beneficial and inclusive atmosphere within the organization

- Member 2020-Present

Duties include: Exemplify outstanding character, showing continual academic excellence, budgeting and tracking finances, partaking in membership education regarding the history of Alpha Sigma Alpha, following chapter operations, contributing to service events and participating in charitable giving, attending National education meetings, respecting the Ritual of Alpha Sigma Alpha, promoting exceptional organization image, and following all National Bylaws, Policies and Procedures

ATHLETICS

Fayetteville Fury USLW Team

Summer 2024

- Player

Fayetteville Fury Professional Indoor Soccer Team

Fall 2023-2024

- Player

Methodist University Women's Soccer

- Leadership Council 2021-2023

Duties include: Serving as the voice of my class, meeting with the other leadership council members, meeting with the captains, and communicating with Coach Madej frequently

- Recruiting 2020-2023

Duties include: Hosting recruits on campus, taking recruits on tours of the campus and soccer facilities, communicating with recruits via text message, and answering any questions recruits have about Methodist University

- Player 2020-2023

Duties include: Attending practice six days a week, going to Athletic Training, and playing in games