

Getting to know: *David Baca*

Biography

David Baca graduated UC Santa Barbara in 2012 with a degree in Biopsychology and a minor in Chemistry. He currently works as a pharmacy technician and attends school part-time in Santa Barbara, California. David's academic interests reside primarily within neuropharmacology, in particular how different drugs are developed in order to treat various neurological disorders. In the future he plans on applying to pharmacy school for Fall 2014 in order to pursue a career in pharmacy. David would like to recognize Tod Kippin, and Sierra Webb for their help and guidance throughout the research process of his paper.

Q&A

What sparked your interest in psychology?

My interest in biopsychology was sparked in high school when I originally thought I wanted to pursue a career as a psychiatrist.

What led you to this topic? My fascination with the endocrine system led me to this research topic.

How long have you been working on this paper?

What has the process been like for you? What was it like to be an undergraduate student completing

your own research project?

My paper took seven weeks of research and experimentation that I would describe as “laborious but rewarding.”