

Vita

Jessica Hughes was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, to parents Laurence and Mar Hughes. She is the youngest of three children, preceded by Brent and Natalie. She attended Lincoln American/International School in Argentina. After graduation, she moved to Miami, Florida to attend the University of Miami, where she was introduced to the field of Psychology. Jessica became involved with research by joining the lab of Dr. Jutta Joormann, where she worked for two and a half years. She obtained a Bachelors of Arts degree in May 2009 in Psychology. Following graduation, she accepted a position as a research assistant at Brown University in Providence, RI where she worked for two years. Jessica accepted a graduate teaching assistantship to work with Dr. Kristina Coop Gordon at the University of Tennessee Knoxville in the Clinical Psychology doctoral program in 2011. She graduated with her Master of Arts in Psychology in 2014.