

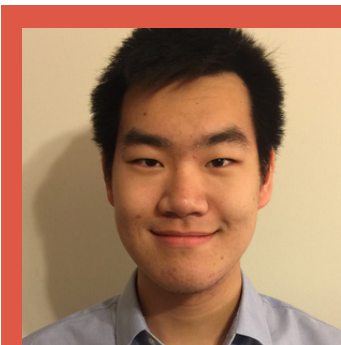
Brain Matters Writers



My name is Karishma Patel and I am an incoming senior studying psychology with a concentration in cognitive neuroscience. My article investigates the impact early life stress can have on child development. This paper highlights the neurodevelopmental/neurobiological changes that occur in the brain due to stressful events and circumstances early in development. Furthermore, this essay assesses how the relationship between children and their caregivers can modulate the activity of stress hormones in early life.



Apurva is a Senior majoring in Molecular and Cellular Biology with minors in Sociology and Chemistry on the pre-med track. She currently works on campus as a Research Assistant in the Physical Activity and Neurocognitive Health Lab and is a student worker at McKinley. She is excited to be a part of this volume of Brain Matters to increase discussion.



Andrew Zhang is a sophomore majoring in Molecular and Cellular Biology. Currently, he is a research assistant in Dr. Huimin Zhao's lab and also part of UIUC's American Chemistry Society and REACT. He believes that neuroscience is a great field to learn about. There are so many things to learn about the brain - especially ideas that can improve our lives. He is excited to be a part of Brain Matters in sharing neuro- science!



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