

EDUCATION

- 2020-Present **M.S. Applied Behavior Analysis**
California State University, Northridge (CSUN)
- 2017-2019 **B.A. Psychology**
California State University, Northridge (CSUN)
- 2010-2017 **A.A. Psychology**
Los Angeles Mission College (LAMC)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Experience

- 2021-Present **Lab Coordinator**
Department of Psychology, CSUN
Behavior Science and Technology Lab
PI: Ellie Kazemi, Ph.D., BCBA-D
Responsibilities: I mentored research assistants, moderated feedback during meetings, and developed weekly lab agendas.
- 2018 **Summer Research Assistant (40 hours per week)**
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
Georgia Institute of Technology
Human-Automation Systems Lab
PI: Ayanna Howard, Ph.D.
Responsibilities: I conducted statistical analyses of self-reported trust between parents and clinicians on robotic exoskeletons for children with motor impairments.
- 2016-Present **Senior Researcher (11 hours per week)**
Department of Psychology, CSUN
Behavior Science and Technology Lab
PI: Ellie Kazemi, Ph.D., BCBA-D
Responsibilities: I authored a systematic literature review on factors that influence parents' treatment selection for their children with Autism Spectrum Disorders. My duties included developing search terms, selection criteria, and a matrix; extracting data, analyzing results, and writing a manuscript.

Clinical Experience

2018-Present

Behavior Interventionist (12 hours per week)

Easterseals Southern California

Responsibilities: I provided applied behavior analysis services for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders via telehealth, in homes, and at schools. I assisted my clinical team by writing treatment plans, running assessments, conducting staff trainings, and developing training modules.

MANUSCRIPTS

Saez, C., Davies, M., Kazemi, E., & Bazarkina, A. (Manuscript accepted pending revisions). Reported factors affecting parent treatment decisions for children with autism spectrum disorders: a brief review. *Behavior Analysis in Practice*.

Titlestad, K., Eldevik, S., Eikeseth, S., Strømgren, B., Bazarkina, A., & **Saez, C.** (Manuscript in preparation). *The clinical effectiveness of early intensive behavioral intervention (eibi) for preschool children with autism spectrum disorders (asd): An individual participant data meta-analysis.* Intended for *The Lancet*.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Saez, C., Kazemi, E., Davies, M., Anderson, N., & Jia, M. (2020). *How Do Parents Make Decisions with Regards to Adoption of Evidence-based Treatments?*. Accepted for 38th annual meeting of the California Association of Behavior Analysis (CalABA), Santa Clara, CA. (Conference cancelled).

Saez, C., Bryant, D., Borenstein, J., Wagner, A., & Howard, A. (2018, July). *Exploring Overtrust in Parent and Clinician Perspectives of Robotic Exoskeletons for Children*. Poster presented at the Georgia Institute of Technology SURE Research Symposium, Atlanta, GA.

Ramirez, V., Kazemi, E., & **Saez, C.** (2018, March). *How are Robots Used in the Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder?* Poster presented at the 36th annual meeting of the California Association of Behavior Analysis (CalABA), Santa Clara, CA.

Perez, D., **Saez, C.**, Kazemi, E., & Hansard, C. (2017, October). *Teaching Behavior Observation and Data Collection Skills through Video Training*. Poster presented at the National Diversity in STEM Conference (SACNAS), Salt Lake City, UT.

Carter, C., Kazemi, E., Jones, S., & **Saez, C.** (2017, February). *Workplace Conflict for Board Certified Behavior Analysts*. Presented at the 35th annual convention of California Association of Behavior Analyses (CalABA), Anaheim, CA.

Marsillo, G., Kazemi, E., Dayandayan, L., & **Saez, C.** (2017, February). *A Review of Computer-Based Instruction Literature and Practice Recommendations for Staff Training*. Poster presented at the 35th annual meeting of the California Association of Behavior Analysis (CalABA), Anaheim, CA.

AWARDS

- 2019 **Focus Scholar**
Georgia Institute of Technology
- 2017 – 2019 **BUILD PODER Scholar**
Funded by the *National Institute of Health (NIH)*
Annual award amount: \$20,300
- 2018 **1st Place in Research**
Artificial Intelligence Jam at CSUN
Award amount: \$3,000
- 2018 **SURE Scholar**
Funded by the *National Science Foundation (NSF)* and *Intel*
Award amount: \$5,000
- 2016 – 2017 **BUILD PODER Trainee**
Funded by the *National Institute of Health (NIH)*
Annual award amount: \$15,000