

ADITI SRIDHAR

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EDUCATION

M.S. Psychological Science

Tulane University

Advisor: Dr Julie Markant

CGPA: 3.78

Spring 2026 – Present
New Orleans, LA, USA

Post-Graduate Diploma in Advanced Studies and Research

Ashoka University

Capstone Thesis: ‘Every Mother Does Whatever She Can’ -

Insights and Reflections of New Mothers in Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Summa Cum Laude

CGPA: 4.00/4.00

2024
Haryana, India

Bachelor of Science (Honours)

Ashoka University

Summa Cum Laude

PSYCH Major GPA: 3.95/4.00

2023
Haryana, India

PUBLICATIONS

Hunter, B., Montgomery, B., **Sridhar, A.** and Markant, J. (2024), Endogenous Control and Reward-based Mechanisms Shape Infants’ Attention Biases to Caregiver Faces. *Developmental Psychobiology.*, 66: e22521. <https://doi.org/10.1002/dev.22521>

EMPLOYMENT

Teaching Fellow

Ashoka University

Mentor: Dr. Krishna Melnattur, PhD

Course: Statistics and Research Methods II

January - May 2025
Sonipat, Haryana, India

Volunteer

Teach for India

Mentor: John Donald Raj J

August, September 2024
Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

Research Assistant

WHO (South-East Asia Region) & Schizophrenia Research Foundation

Project Leads: Dr R. Padmavati and Sujit John

Research Associate: Sanjana Goutham

Project: Cataloguing Community-Based Mental Health Services in the WHO South-East Asia Region

January 2023 – May 2024
Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

Volunteer

Sangath Addictions Research Group (ARG)

Supervisor: Sarah Suwasrawala

Project: MeWe Sports – *Preventing Substance Use in Young People Using a Sports-Based Platform*

November 2022 – February 2023
Goa, India

Research Volunteer

Simantini Ghosh’s Lab

Department of Psychology

Ashoka University

PI: Dr. Simantini Ghosh

Project: Intergenerational Transmission of Familial Violence in India

September 2022 – May 2023
Sonipat, Haryana, India

Founding Generation Undergraduate Fellow
Learning and Brain Development Lab
Tulane University
PI: Dr. Julie Markant

June 2022 – February 2023
New Orleans, LA, USA

Research Assistant
Madhavalatha Maganti's Lab
Department of Psychology
Ashoka University
PI: Dr. Madhavalatha Maganti & Dr. Jill Lany
Project: Development of Intersensory Perception in At-Risk Infants

October 2021 – April 2022
Sonipat, Haryana, India

AWARDS

Undergraduate Travel Award (\$1699) International Congress of Infant Studies (ICIS)	8 – 11 July 2024
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Undergraduate Capstone Thesis Appreciation Award (Rs. 4000) Ashoka University	24 th May 2024
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Highest CGPA for Psychology Advanced Major (Rs. 4000) Ashoka University	24 th May 2024
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Founding Generation Summer Fellowship (\$4000) International Congress of Infant Studies (ICIS)	Summer 2022
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PRESENTATIONS

Sridhar, A., Meyer, E., Gray, S., Markant, J. (2027, April). Relating 4-Month-Old Infants' Temperament to Heart Rate-Defined Sustained Attention to Caregiver Faces During Play. Poster submitted to the Society for Research in Child Development, Atlanta, GA, USA.

Brown, K., Montgomery, B., **Sridhar, A.,** Feiler, B. J., & Markant, J. (2027, April). Stability and Convergence Across Multiple Measures of Endogenous Attention Skills at 4-, 6-, and 8-Months of Age. Poster submitted to the Society for Research in Child Development, Atlanta, GA, USA.

Sridhar, A., Meyer, E., Gray, S., Markant, J. (2026, November). Examining the link between caregiving quality and 4-month-old infants' heart-rate defined sustained attention during face-to-face play. Poster accepted to the International Society for Developmental Psychobiology, New Orleans, LA, USA.

Brown, K., Montgomery, B., **Sridhar, A.,** Feiler, B. J., & Markant, J. (2026, November). Convergence and Stability of Endogenous Attention Over The First Year: Relating Eye Movement Control, Sustained Attention, And Temperament At 4-, 6-, And 8-Months. Poster accepted to International Society for Developmental Psychobiology, New Orleans, LA, USA.

Sridhar, A., Maganti, M., Baxi, A., Markant, J., Kumar, S., (2024, August). *"Every mother does whatever she can" – Insights & Reflections of New Mothers in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.* Paper Presentation accepted to XXVII International Congress of The International Association For Cross-Cultural Psychology 2024, Bali, Indonesia.

Sridhar, A., Hunter, B.K., Montgomery, B., & Markant, J. (2024, July). *Individual Differences in Reward Sensitivity Shape Infants' Attention Biases Towards Caregiver Faces.* Poster presented at International Congress of Infant Studies 2024, Glasgow, Scotland.

Montgomery, B., Hunter, B.K., **Sridhar, A.**, & Markant, J. (2024, March). *Infant Sensitivity to Reward Influences Attention Biases towards Caregiver Faces*. Poster presented at Society for Affective Science, New Orleans, LA, USA.

Sridhar, A., Maganti, M., Baxi, A., Markant, J., Kumar, S., (2024, April). “Every mother does whatever she can” – *Insights & Reflections of New Mothers in Chennai, Tamil Nadu*. Capstone Thesis Defense Colloquium. Ashoka University, India.

Sridhar, A., Maganti, M., Baxi, A., Markant, J., Kumar, S., (2023, November). *Understanding the Infant’s Developmental Niche from the Mother’s Perspective - An Exploratory Study in Chennai, Tamil Nadu*. Capstone Thesis Proposal Defense Colloquium. Ashoka University, India.

Sridhar, A., Montgomery, B., Hunter, B.K., & Markant, J. (2022, September). *Infant Reactivity Predicts Attention Orienting Biases to Caregiver vs. Stranger Faces*. Presentation at the International Congress of Infant Studies Founding Generation Fellowship Fall Symposium (virtual).

Sridhar, A., Montgomery, B., Hunter, B.K., & Markant, J. (2022, August). *Infant Temperament Predicts Attention Orienting Biases to Caregiver vs. Stranger Faces*. Poster presented at the Tulane University Research Program in Neuroscience Summer Program, New Orleans, LA, USA.

LEADERSHIP AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Senior Mentor Learning and Brain Development Lab	Spring 2026 – present Tulane University, USA
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Teaching Assistant Course: Psychology of Health and Illness Professor: Dr. Annie Baxi	Spring 2024 Ashoka University, India
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Teaching Assistant Course: Thinking Like A Psychologist Professor: Dr. Sramana Majumdar	Spring 2024 Ashoka University, India
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Teaching Assistant Course: Developmental Psychopathology Professor: Dr. Madhavalatha Maganti	Monsoon 2023 Ashoka University, India
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Teaching Assistant Course: Mind & Behaviour Professors: Dr. Arpan Banerjee & Dr. Manon Grube	Spring 2023 Ashoka University, India
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Teaching Assistant Course: Developmental Psychology Professor: Dr. Madhavalatha Maganti	Monsoon 2022 Ashoka University, India
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Co-Representative Western Choir	Monsoon 2022 – Spring 2023 Ashoka University, India
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ADDITIONAL COURSES

Leadership in Mental Health 2024 Sangath, India	13 th September 2024 – 30 th November
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Updated August 2026

Transformative Mental Health Core Curriculum

3rd September 2024 – 18th December

2024 Institute of the Development of Human Arts, New York City

SKILLS

Data Collection and Processing Software: Dataviewer, DataVyu, Qualtrics, RedCap, Tobii Pro, EyeLink Eyetracker, Microsoft Excel

Experiment and Stimulus Design Software: Adobe Creative Suite, Experiment Builder

Statistical Software: JASP, Jamovi

Other Software: Miro, Canva, FileMaker Pro, Wordpress

REFERENCES

Dr. Madhavalatha Maganti, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Ashoka University, India

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Dr. Julie Markant, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana

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Dr. Annie Baxi, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Ashoka University, India

Email: annie.baxi@ashoka.edu.in

Dr. Padmavati R, Director of Schizophrenia Research Foundation (SCARF), Tamil Nadu, India

Email: padmavati@scarfindia.org