

Jasmine Upchurch

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Hispanic Linguistics 2025–Present
The Ohio State University | College of Arts and Sciences Columbus, OH
Advisor: Dr. Rebeka Campos-Astorkiza

B.A., Spanish & B.A., Psychology | *Magna Cum Laude* 2025
The Pennsylvania State University | Schreyer Honors College University Park, PA
Advisor: Dr. Janet van Hell
Honors thesis title: Accent variety processing among native Puerto Rican Spanish-English listeners: A preliminary study

Penn State Education Abroad: Spanish Language and Culture May 2023–Jun. 2023
Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese | The Pennsylvania State University Andalucía, Spain

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

2025

College Allocated Fellowship – OSU (\$32,184)
Certificate of Excellence in Spanish – PSU
Costello Family Scholarship in Psychology – PSU (\$510)

2024

NSF Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE) Fellowship – PSU (\$5,875)
Academic Excellence Scholarship – PSU (\$5,000) (renewed for four years)

2023

Schreyer Honors College International Study Grant – PSU (\$1,150)
College of the Liberal Arts Enrichment Award – PSU (\$1,000)
Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese Study Abroad Travel Scholarship – PSU (\$1,500)

2022

Intermediate Language Certificate of Outstanding Achievement of Spanish Studies – PSU

2021

Basic Language Certificate of Outstanding Achievement of Spanish Studies – PSU

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Curriculum design	L2 acquisition of phonology
L2 acquisition of morphosyntax	Psycholinguistics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Our Voices/Nuestras Voces	January 2026–Present
The Ohio State University	Columbus, OH

Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE)	2024–2025
The University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras	San Juan, PR
The Pennsylvania State University	University Park, PA

Bilingualism and Linguistic Diversity (BiLD) Lab	2023–2025
The Pennsylvania State University	University Park, PA

SERVICE HOURS

OSUCHiLL Abstract Review	February 2026
The Ohio State University	Columbus, OH

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Upchurch, J. “*Terminé mi ensayo horita*: The temporal implicatures of *horita* in Puerto Rican Spanish.” *Ohio State University Congress on Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics 2026*. The Ohio State University. 27 March 2026.

Upchurch, J., Giorio, C., Guzzardo, R., & van Hell, J. “Accent variety processing among native Puerto Rican Spanish-English listeners: A preliminary study.” *Penn State 2025 Undergraduate Exhibition*. The Pennsylvania State University. 16 April 2025.

Upchurch, J., Baliga, J., Craven, D., Galinato, H., & Ellis, J. “Attitudes towards psychology majors.” *Penn State Psi Chi’s 2024 Undergraduate Research Conference*. The Pennsylvania State University. 18 April 2024.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The Pennsylvania State University	
Peer Spanish Tutor Penn State Learning	2023–2025
Undergraduate Teaching Assistant PSYCH 100: Introductory Psychology	Aug. 2022–Dec. 2022

GUEST LECTURES

“The temporal implicatures of *horita* in Puerto Rican Spanish.” SPAN 3401: Advanced Grammar. The Ohio State University. 14 April 2026.

“The psychology of language.” PSYCH 260: Neurological Bases of Human Behavior. The Pennsylvania State University. 07 November 2024.

PUBLICATIONS

Upchurch, J. (2024). *To Wield a Raging Storm*. Barnes & Noble Press.

Upchurch, J. (2021). *To Ruin a Kingdom*. Barnes & Noble Press.

LANGUAGES

English – native proficiency

Spanish – ACTFL Advanced Mid proficiency (OPIc, 2026)

Portuguese – elementary proficiency