Biography of Student Honoree

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Jason B. Alipio is currently a senior undergraduate student working toward the completion of his B.A. in biological psychology. Prior to his enrollment at CSUSB, Jason served in the military during Operations Iraqi Freedom (Iraq) and Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan), where he witnessed various negative behavioral consequences among his fellow Marines following the stressful environment of combat. This led him to pursue higher education, and to contribute to the field of research that concerns individuals who suffer from stress-induced mood-related disorders (i.e., posttraumatic stress disorder, general anxiety, and depression). He began his research career in the clinical lab of Dr. Christina M. Hassija where he investigated trauma and resiliency among sexual assault survivors and military veterans. He later became very interested in the underlying neurobiological and behavioral mechanisms of these disorders, and thus, decided to join the developmental psychopharmacology lab of Dr. Sergio D. Iñiguez. During this time, Jason has had the opportunity to be actively involved in various research projects, and has disseminated his findings at local, national, and international scientific conferences. Jason says that the mentorship and guidance he has received from Drs. Iñiguez and Hassija has been invaluable. He thanks Dr. Iñiguez for his continued support, and for the inspiration he has provided for him to reach his goal of attaining a Ph.D. in the field of neuroscience.