



# Sarah McManus

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- OBJECTIVE** To provide support and integration around experiences with psychedelics and visionary plants, and to advance research, outreach, and social and ecological responsibility
- EDUCATION**
- Six Week Initiation Course** (Fall 2014)  
Ayahuasca Foundation, Iquitos, Perú
- Integrative Conservation – Ecology** (2012-2013)  
University of Georgia, Athens, GA  
Completed 3 semesters of Ph.D. program
- B.A. Special Program in Ecology** (May 2011)  
New College of Florida, Sarasota, FL
- RELATED EXPERIENCE**
- Facilitator – Ayahuasca Foundation** Apr – June 2016
- Supported participants in preparation, processing, and integration of ayahuasca experiences
  - Helped administer plant medicines and treatments such as vapor baths and floral baths
  - Assisted during ceremony by singing, soplaying, and aiding participants as needed
- Translation and Analysis Volunteer – *Bufo alvarius* Study** Dec 2015 – Feb 2016
- Transcribing and translating 5-MeO-DMT experience reports from Spanish to English
  - Analyzing themes in the reports with an ethnographic approach
- Communication Skills & Conflict Resolution Volunteer – GA Conflict Center** 2014 – 2016
- Helped teach workshops on Nonviolent Communication
  - Assisted in classes on conflict resolution, and trained in Restorative Circles facilitation
- Psychedelic Harm Reduction Volunteer – Zendo Project / Burning Man** 2013 – 2015
- Co-Lead, Shift Lead and volunteer at psychedelic first aid tents for regional burns
  - Volunteer at Zendo Project, Burning Man 2014
- OTHER EXPERIENCE** I've also worked as a virtual personal assistant, graduate research assistant, tiny insect counter, rattlesnake tracker, botany lab TA, and water monitoring program coordinator, among others jobs.
- SKILLS**
- Full professional proficiency in written/spoken Spanish
  - Wilderness and Remote First Aid certified (Feb 2015 – Feb 2017)
  - Acroyoga
- PRESENTATIONS**
- Trip-Sitting 101: Holding space with compassionate presence**
- March 2016 – UGA Psychedelic Symposium, and PsyAtlanta Meetup
  - December 2015 – Led workshop for UGA Psychedelic Club
- Introduction to Ayahuasca** – UGA Psychedelic Club March 2016  
**Psychedelic Harm Reduction** – PsyAtlanta Meetup July 2015
- Prickles and goo: Exploring shared metaphors between analytical and intuitive traditions**
- Poster at Psychedemia conference, Sept 2012