This summer, as a recipient of the Penn Undergraduate Research Mentoring Award, I worked in Dr. Ed Brodkin’s Lab. As a member of this fun, hardworking lab I assisted in the implementation of a pilot social skills intervention for high-functioning adults with autism spectrum disorders. I participated as a student interventionist, helped implement inter-rater reliability protocols, collected and assessed data using REDCap, and volunteered alongside participants of a study at the Ronald McDonald House. Another major part of my summer was working on a literature review of psychosocial interventions, which will be published in the near future. Throughout this summer, I was able to interact with participants and truly see how the lab’s research is improving quality of life. The research projects that I contributed to this summer taught me so much about the academic writing process, as well as the many steps involved in carrying out a psychosocial intervention. Overall, I was exposed to a vast array of clinical research experience that I could not have found elsewhere. This clinical exposure will be instrumental to my education as an aspiring clinical psychologist and I plan to continue working in Dr. Brodkin’s lab during my final year at Penn. I feel this research experience will not only help supplement my application to any future graduate programs, but has also allowed me to meet a group of amazing scholars, mentors, and friends. This makes my experience with PURM and Dr. Brodkin’s lab truly invaluable.