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**Curriculum Vitae**

Education

**August, 2021 – Present**

*Doctor of Philosophy – Systemic Studies - Marriage and Family Therapy*

University of Louisiana Monroe

**September, 2008 - May, 2010**

*Master of Arts – Speech-Language Pathology*

Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana

**August, 2004 – May, 2008**

*Bachelor of Arts – Communication Sciences and Disorders*

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Professional Experience

**Clinical Instructor/Instructor January, 2016 - Present**

*Department of Speech-Language Pathology, University of Louisiana at Monroe*

* Provided supervision of graduate students during speech, language and hearing screenings and evaluation and management of speech and language disorders both on- and off-campus.
* Instructor for SPLP 1052, SPLP 4033, and SPLP 4029

**Speech-Language Pathologist** **October, 2014–January, 2016**

*Affiliated Rehab – Monroe, LA*

* Providing screening, evaluation and remediation of speech-language and swallowing disorders in the adult population in a skilled nursing facility including, but not limited to: aphasia, dysarthria, dysphagia, dementia and traumatic brain injury.
* Provided supervision of a Speech-Language Pathologist in her Clinical Fellowship Year
* Providing in-services to staff regarding the risks and signs/symptoms of dysphagia, safe swallowing strategies, diet consistencies and establishing functional maintenance programs for clients with cognitive and communicative impairments.

**Speech-Language Pathologist** **April, 2013 – October, 2014**

*Tara Therapy – Farmerville, LA*

* Providing screening, evaluation and remediation of dysphagia and a variety of cognitive and communicative disorders, including aphasia, traumatic brain injury, dysarthria, and dementia in the adult population in a skilled nursing facility setting.
* Developing and training staff on functional maintenance programs for individuals with dementia and communication impairments and educating staff on signs/symptoms of dysphagia, safe swallowing strategies, and diet consistencies.

**Speech-Language Pathologist** **March, 2012–February, 2013**

*Therapy Solutions – Bastrop, LA*

* Providing screening, evaluation and remediation of communication disorders, including, but not limited to: aphasia, traumatic brain injury, dysarthria, dementia and dysphagia in the adult population in a skilled nursing facility setting.
* Providing education to staff regarding dysphagia risks, safe swallowing strategies, diet consistencies and functional maintenance programs for clients with cognitive and communicative impairments.

**Speech-Language Pathologist** **June, 2010 – March, 2012**

*Tara Therapy – Bernice, LA*

* Providing screening, evaluation and remediation of swallowing, cognitive and communicative disorders in the adult population with disorders that include, but are not limited to: aphasia, traumatic brain injury, dysarthria, dementia and dysphagia in a skilled nursing facility setting.
* Providing education to staff regarding dysphagia risks, safe swallowing strategies, diet consistencies and functional maintenance programs for clients with cognitive and communicative impairments.

Instruction Experience

Undergraduate

* SPLP 1052 – Speech and Language Acquisition
	+ The development of speech in children in the family and the effects of culture on language.
* SPLP 4029 – Fluency and Voice Disorders
	+ Instructor for first 8 weeks Fluency portion focusing on etiology, characteristics, evaluation, and treatment of fluency disorders.
* SPLP 4033 – Language Pathology
	+ Language acquisition, language disorders of reception and expression, and habilitation methodologies in learning.
* SPLP 4076 – Speech-Language Pathology Assistant Track

Graduate

* SPLP 5076 – Practicum Site I
	+ Clinical practicum with individuals with speech-language pathology in on-campus clinic.
* SPLP 5025 - Current Topics in Stuttering Research and Remediation
	+ Assessment and intervention of disfluent speech and current management of stuttering behaviors.
* SPLP 5152 - Seminar in Cognition and Related Communication Disorders
* SPLP 5081 – Internship-School Site
* SPLP 5086 – Internship-Medical/Rehabilitation Site

Publication

* International Stuttering Awareness Day Online Conference
	+ Accepted & Published *What Is Really Being Portrayed in Film and Television?* October, 2022

Awards/Recognitions/Presentations

* American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Award for Continuing Education (ACE) (December, 2018, 2021, and 2023)
* Faculty Mentor. *Oral Reading Fluency Tasks: Implications for Elementary School-Aged Children Who Stutter.* Poster Presentation at ULM’s 2019 Research Symposium (with master’s Candidates Kellie Vincent, Maryanna Branch, Mary Green, Katelyn Ingram, Kenda Soileau and Valerie Meche).
	+ First Place Award Received.
* Ally of Stuttering Speech-Language Pathologist Seal through Spero Stuttering, Inc. July 2021
* Presenter at the Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association in June 2022
	+ *Using Principles of Mindfulness in School-Based Speech-Language Pathology*
* Presenter for Professional Development for the St. Tammany Parish School Speech-Language Pathologists October 28, 2022
	+ *Stuttering Assessment and Treatment Strategies*
* Presenter at the Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association in June 2023
	+ *Assessing and Treating the Emotional Component of Stuttering*
* ULM Mentorship Program
	+ Mentored an undergraduate student though the 2021-2022 ULM Mentorship Program
* Presenter at the 2024 World Congress on Stuttering and Cluttering in May 2024
	+ *Increasing Stuttering Support Group Participation*

Research/Research Grants

Spring 2018

* Co-Investigator, *An Investigation of Student Clinician Perception of Live Text Message Feedback versus Written Feedback.* Poster presentation at ULM’s Research Symposium (with Anne Marie Sisk as Principle Investigator and Master’s candidates Ashley Brown, Brittaney Carson, LeaAnn Cannon, Emily Reese and Taylor West) April 12, 2018.

Spring 2019

* Investigator, *Oral Reading Fluency Tasks: Implications for Elementary School-Aged Children Who Stutter.* Poster Presentation at ULM’s 2019 Research Symposium (with Master’s candidates Kellie Vincent, Maryanna Branch, Mary Green, Katelyn Ingram, Kenda Soileau and Valerie Meche) April 2, 2019. First Place Award Received.

Spring 2021

* Mentor, *Clinical Decision Making – Fluency.* Poster Presentation at ULM’s 2021 Research Symposium (with Master’s candidates Lauren Bihm, Denni Hickman, Alexis King, and Kylee Thames) April 23, 2021.

Hamm, R. (Co-Principal), Allen, A. (Co-Principal), Smith, J. (Co-Principal), Elias, A. (Co-Principal), "Equipment to Enhance Student Learning in Radiologic Technology Laboratory Courses and Interprofessional Education Activities" (Pending Funding Decision), Sponsored By Louisiana Board of Regents, Departmental Enhancement, External to The University of Louisiana at Monroe, $162,200. (October 2023 - Present).

Associations

* Member of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (2010-Present)
* Licensed through the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (2010-Present)
* Member of the Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association
* National Student Speech-Language Hearing Association Advisor (Fall 2020-present)
* National Stuttering Association – Chapter Leader since March of 2019
* Ally of Stuttering Seal through Spero Stuttering since July 2021
* American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Special Interest Group 04 Fluency and Fluency Disorders
* VitalStim Therapy Provider since January of 2011

University Service

* Served on the Commencement Committee 2017-2020
* Served on School of Health Professionals Summer Camp Committee 2018
* ULM SLP Drug Policy Committee 2020
* College of Health Sciences Grants and Research Committee 2022-Present
* College of Health Sciences Recruiting and Retention Committee 2022-2023
* Chair College of Health Sciences Procedures and Policies Committee 2023-Present
* Served on the SPLP Graduate Admissions Committee 2024-Present

 Continuing Education

May 18, 2024

 **2024 World Congress on Stuttering and Cluttering**

\*attended and presented

March 7-8, 2024

**Augmentative and Alternative Communication: Effective Assessment and Intervention for Successful Communication Outcomes Across Settings**

 Jamie D. Fisher, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

February 20, 2024

 **Evaluating Discourse Production After Right Hemisphere Brain Damage**

 Jamila M Minga, PhD, CCC-SLP

December 17, 2023

**Functional Treatment Approaches: Beyond Workbooks**

Jessica Brown, PhD, CCC-SLP

December 17, 2023

 **Assessment Techniques for Adults With Traumatic Brain Injury**

 Jessica Brown, PhD, CCC-SLP

December 15, 2023

 **Leadership Academy: Ethical Leadership and Civility**

Dr. Kevin Nourse

October 17, 2023

 **Can Stuttering and Confidence Co-Exist?**

 Joze Piranian & Dr. Ana Paul Mumy

 Spero Stuttering

July 5, 2023-July 8, 2023

 Annual National Stuttering Association Conference

 **SLP’s: Are We Helping or Hurting?**

Chaya Goldstein-Schuff and Christopher Anderson

**Can Stuttering and Confidence Co-Exist?**

Joze Piranian

**Speech techniques: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly**

Thales De Nardo

**Invisible Courage**

Saundra Russell-Smith

**Fighting Fear with Fear**

Nicholas Brow & Maria Binger

**(Re)Evaluating advice to the parents of children who stutter**

Nan Bernstsein Ratner

**Life begins where fear ends: Owning your inner Rockstar**

Pamela Mertz

**2023 BIPOC Think Tank**

Angela Medina & Christian Ting

**Full Disclosure: Hands-on Self Advocacy Workshop**

Jennifer Scharf

**Genetic Discoveries and Other Health Conditions Co-occurring with Stuttering: Q and A**

Shelly Jo Kraft

**Stuttering and Humor**

Timothy Flynn

June 16-17, 2023

 **Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention**

 \*attended and presented

March 9 and 10, 2023

 **Evidence-Based Tools for Working in Dementia Care and End-of-Life Care**

 Dr. Amanda Stead

June 29, 2022-July 2, 2022

 Annual National Stuttering Association Conference

 **You’re Faking It**

 Marc Winski

 **Normalizing Stuttering in the Classroom**

 Loryn McGill

 **Family Support for a Child Who Stutters**

Kelly Kaczmarski

 **Happily Stuttering at School**

Jill Barton

**New Tools For Inner Space And Outer Space: How To Practice Self-Acceptance And Self-Advocacy**

Uri Schneider and Jennifer Scharf

 **Moments That Make Us**

 Morgan Lott

 **Stuttering And Intersectional Stigma**

 Tiffani Kittilstved and Derek Daniels

 **From Victim To Survivor: The Process Of Change**

 Lee Reeves

 **Self-advocating in the Workplace for PWS**

 John Ontiveros and Catherine Moroney

June 3 and 4, 2022

 **Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention**

 \*attended and presented

May 31, 2022

 **Integrating Mindfulness Techniques into Pediatric Speech-Language Pathology**

 Northern Speech Services

April 27, 2022

 **Evidence-based Feedback in Clinical Supervision**

Jenny Brodell, M.A., CCC-SLP; Louise Pinkerton, MM, MA, CCC-SLP; Stacy Robinson, MS, CCC-SLP

February 23 and 24, 2022

**The importance of phonology and phonetics for reading, spelling, and speech sound production: Assessment and treatment implications for school-based SLPs.**

Kelly Farquharson Ph.D., CCC-SLP

July 7, 2021 – July 10, 2021

 Annual National Stuttering Association Conference

 **Differential Diagnosis of Fluency Disorders**

Dana Wierzbicki, M.A., CCC-SLP

 **Dream. Speak. Live.: How To Navigate Fluency Conformity And Reduce Stuttering Stigma**

Courtney T. Byrd, PhD, CCC-SLP

 **Stuttering And Stress: Bridging The Brain-Body Connection**

Heather Najman, MA, LMFT, SEP and Heather Salvo, M.S., CCC-SLP

 **Why, When, And How Should I Share That I Stutter?**

UT Austin Graduate Students and Courtney T. Byrd, PhD, CCC-SLP

 **Cultural & Linguistic Diversity In Stuttering**

Derek Daniels, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Ana Paula G. Mumy, MS, CCC-SLP, and

Kia Noelle Johnson, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

 **The Path To Full Potential**

Bill Wade

 **Who Should Provide Services For Stuttering? A Panel Discussion**

Dr. Michael Boyle, Dr. Rita Thurman, Dr. Farzan Irani, and Reuben Schuff, MS, P.E.

 **What Is “Relapse” And How To Beat It**

Reuben Schuff, MS, P.E.

April 17 and 18, 2021

 NSA Spring2Day Conference

**Talking About Stuttering: A Necessary Step To Effective Advocacy For SLPs, Parents And Their Children**

Courtney T. Byrd, PhD, CCC-SLP

**Ace Your Next Job Interview**

**Quieting Negative Self-Talk**

John Moore

**NSA Research Showcase**

Angela Medina, PhD, CCC-SLP, Robyn Croft, MS, CF-SLP, Seth Tichenor, PhD, CCC-SLP, and Megan Young, MA, CCC-SLP

February 25 and 26, 2021

**Anti-biased speech-language-pathology practice: Revisiting the basics of service to a diverse community**

 Johanna Boult, Ph.D.

**Working with the rainbow: Clinical cultural competency with underrepresented genders and sexual orientations**

Gregory C. Robinson, Ph.D.

November 19, 20, and 21, 2020

 **Global Research Conference presented by the National Stuttering Association**

**School-Age Stuttering: Facts and Myths**

J. Scott Yaruss, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

 Anelise Bohnen, Ph.D., SLP

 **A Proposed Model of Stuttering Therapy – Interdisciplinary Care**

Gerald A. Maguire, MD, DFAPA

 Goncalo Leal, Ph.D. candidate

 Alida Engel

 **Covert Stuttering**

Pamela Mertz

 Charley Adams, Ph.D.

 **Corporate Level Stuttering, Corporate Level Disclosure**

George Daquila, Ph.D.

 Mounah Bizri

 Iain Wilkie

 **Less-Direct And More-Direct Therapy Approaches For Early Childhood Stuttering**

Kurt Eggers, Ph.D.

 Sharon Millard, Ph.D.

 **The Genetic Architecture of Stuttering: New Findings and Complexities**

Shelly Jo Kraft, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

 **The Essential Role Of Self-Help Stuttering Support Groups**

Anita Blom

 Dieudonne Nsabimana

 Shilpa Sagwal

 **The Use of Disclosure In The Management of Stuttering**

Christopher Constantino, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

 Michael P. Boyle, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

September 30, 2020

 **Evaluation And Treatment In Telepractice**

 **Early Intervention In Telepractice**

 **Evaluations in Telepractice**

 **Treatment In Telepractice**

NorthernSpeech.com

August 3 and 5, 2020

 **Addressing Racism in CSD Education**

Melissa Wallace

February 13 and 14, 2020

 **Foundations for Social-Emotional Development and Communication: Theory of Mind**

Carol Westby, Ph.D.

 **Ethical Decision Making for Speech-Language-Hearing Professions**

Theresa Rodgers, M.A., CCC-SLP

December 31, 2019

 **VitalStim Therapy Online Course Renewal**

Ciao Seminars

December 29, 2019

 **Creating an Environment Receptive to Feedback**

CAPCSD eLearning course

 **Feedback Strategies**

CAPCSD eLearning course

 **Feedback vs. Evaluation**

CAPCSD eLearning course

 **Receiving Feedback From Your Students**

CAPCSD eLearning course

 **The Importance of Feedback in the Clinical Education Process**

CAPCSD eLearning course

July 3, 2019 – July 6, 2019

 Annual National Stuttering Association Conference

 **Teens Teaching Therapists about Stuttering**

Liz Blake, CCC-SLP, BCS-F

 Annie Hernandez, TWST

 **Stuttering as a Traumatic Experience: Implications for PWS, SLPs, & Community**

Katie Gore & Chaya Goldstein

 **Stuttering Therapy Activities in the School Setting**

Nancy Ribbler

 **Stuttering In Real Life**

Courtney Luckman & Katie Gore

 **Mixed Messages: Fluent Speech & Joyful Communication. Can We Have Both?**

Reuben Schuff

February 14 and 15, 2019

**Supporting School Success for Diverse Learners: Language, Literacy, and Classroom Communication**

Nancy Creaghead, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

December 4, 2018

 **Foundations of Clinical Education**

CAPCSD eLearning course

 **Effective Student-Clinical Educator Relationships**

CAPCSD eLearning course

October 18, 2018

**Teaching Social Thinking to Early Learners through Stories and Play-Based Activities (Ages 4 to 7)**

Renee’ Attaway, M.S., CCC-SLP

July 3, 2018 and July 4, 2018

National Stuttering Association 2018 Masterclass

Stuttering 201: Back to Basics and Beyond

 **Early Childhood Stuttering Therapy: Direct Treatment Strategies**

J. Scott Yaruss, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-F, F-ASHA

**Fluency Plus: Managing Fluency Disorders in Clients with Multiple Diagnoses**

Kathleen Scaler Scott, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

**Communication Effectiveness: The Real Goal of Stuttering Therapy**

Courtney Byrd, Ph.D.

February 22 and 23, 2018

**It’s All about Word Study: A Multi-linguistic Approach to Literacy Instruction**

Kenn Apel, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, ASHA Fellow

February 1, 2018

 **Uniquely Human and The SCERTS Model**

Barry M. Prizant, Ph.D., CCC-SLP

February, 2017

 **Childhood Stuttering: A Practical Approach**

J. Scott Yaruss, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-F, F-ASHA

February, 2016

**Aphasia Treatment across the Modalities: Implementing Best Practices into the Clinical Setting**

Leora Cherney, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, BC-ANCDS

December, 2015

**Medical Errors Prevention for Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists**

**Affirmative Action**

**Creating and Maintaining a Nurturing Workplace**

**Achieving Communication Competence**

**Best Practices for Empowering Adolescents to be Partners in the Learning Process**

**The HIPAA Privacy Rule: Patient Services and Marketing**

April, 2014

**Dementia Management: Advanced Skills for the Health Care Practitioner**

Heather Goodwin, MS, OT/L

June, 2014

**Dysphagia – Beyond the Basics**

April, 2013

**LBESPA** **17th Annual Continuing Education Workshop**

Workshops:

* Regulation of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology: A Consumer’s Perspective
	+ Lee Reeves, DVM
* Intergenerational Perspectives on Ethics: Different Values for Different Generation
	+ Lawrence F. Molt, Ph.D., CCC-SLP/AUD
* Grand Rounds in Speech-Language Pathology: Pediatric Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
	+ Verlencia D. Millet, M.A., L-SLP, CCC-SLP
* Cognition VS Language: A Chicken Egg Scenario
	+ Donna M. Fitzgerald-DeJean, Ph.D., CCC/SLP

June, 2013

**Functional Therapy in Geriatric Care for SLP**

January, 2011

**VitalStim® Certification Course – VitalStim® Therapy Provider**

Jodie Corbett, MS, CCC-SLP

Julie DeVahl, MS, PT

March, 2011

**MBS: The Clear Picture**

Susan Cole, MA, CCC-SLP

Mary Simmons, MA, CCC-SLP

Denise Dougherty, MA, CCC-SLP

Kathy Ramirez, OTR/L

August, 2011

**Cognitive Therapy for Dementia**

Peter R. Johnson, PhD, CCC-SLP

**Dementia Management Advanced Skills for the Health Care Practitioner**

Heather Vasilopoulos, MS, OTR/L