

Valdosta State University CV/Vita

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MED, Communication Disorders, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA. (2005).

BSED, Communication Disorders, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA. (2003).

License Activities Certificate of Clinical Competency, 4/27/2006 – present

Georgia State Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist, 6/13/2005 – present

Professional Interests

Research:

Executive function deficits related to school-aged children and young adults after TBI, chronic TBI, concussion in sports or work-related accidents. Voice disorders related to LPR and Covid 19.

Publications: “Factors Affecting the Assigning of Clinical Practicum Grades in Speech-Language Pathology”- in progress. “Vocal Fatigue Index Scores as Reported by Graduate and Undergraduate Students”- in progress. “The Relationship between the Voice Handicap Index, the Voice-Related Quality of Life, and the Vocal Fatigue Index in CSD Graduate Students”- abstract accepted to Voice Foundation 2023, ongoing data analysis.

Teaching:

Cognitive deficits and dementia in the geriatric population, CVA, TBI, voice disorders, aphasia, dysphagia, and cognitive deficits in school-aged population. Provide hands-on training and experience in voice evaluations and treatment, including having students assist with videostroboscopy and interpretation of anatomy and physiology using rigid and flexible scope technology. Simucase debriefs- February 16th, June 28th, and December 6th -assigned to advanced cohort each semester, Doug and Dan, in Simucase program for supplemental experience and hours; provided goal writing instruction and review, resources, debrief of program assignment, and

discussion for clients with traumatic brain injury and Wernicke's aphasia. Provide supervision and feedback of clinicians trained and administering SPEAKOUT! in clinical practicum.

Teaching Courses

Beginning Practicum - CSD 5050 - 2022/2023

Intermediate Practicum - CSD 5100 - 2022/2023

Advanced Practicum - CSD 5140 - 2022/2023

Applied Practicum Pub Sch - CSD 5190 - 2022/2023

Externship Communications Diso - CSD 5210 - 2022/2023

Service Activities

University:

Graduate Programs Committee member (November 2020 - 2023). CSD representative for graduate programs committee with the goal of improving admissions, branding and marketing for the graduate programs. Each committee member was tasked with making a list of our department/major's value proposition, reasons why students select other programs and recommendations and ideas to improve the admissions process and branding.

Faculty Marshal Graduate School Commencement Fall 2020 (December 14, 2020) and Spring 2021 (May 8, 2021). Assisted graduates with commencement proceedings, seating, and information.

College:

COEHS Open House and Freshman Orientation- faculty volunteer (2019-present) attend at least one Saturday per semester, answer questions by prospective or declared students and family members about the CSD program, give tours, and informational materials.

COEHS Awards and Scholarship committee member beginning Fall 2025.

Department:

Chair of the Clinical Practicum Seminars Committee- plan, organize, and coordinate dates and speakers for graduate seminars.

Clinic Scheduling Committee- responsibilities include assigning students with clients for Clinical Practicum each semester by assisting the Clinical Director with management of clinical practicum beginning, intermediate, and advanced cohorts' schedules, room assignments and matching client to student level and need.

2024 Florida Speech Language and Hearing Association Convention, Daytona Beach, FL- attended for recruitment opportunities for our CSD undergraduate and graduate school programs.

Student Support Committee- provide support, feedback, counseling tools to undergraduate and graduate students who are struggling academically or clinically in the program.

Previous Crossroads Baptist School off-campus site manager- take clinical practicum students for school-based SLP experience, typically beginning clinicians as schedule allows, manage and schedule caseload, communicate with principle, secretaries, and teachers regarding referrals and recommendations, prepare paperwork for parents and teachers, and conduct informational group meetings at the beginning of the semester with students assigned to CBS.

Advising- Graduate cohort advising for Fall 2019 and Spring 2022. Provide planning and support with plan of study, graduation applications, comprehensive exams, and KASA forms.

Annual Dr. Robert A. Hull, Jr. Memorial Lecture Series planning committee (April 2022- present)- Responsibilities associated are assisting committee with planning and organizing guest speaker, lodging, and event catering, set-up, distribution of materials and information, and communication with department faculty.

Annual Dr. George "Russ" Deavours Lecture Series planning committee (October 2022-present)- Responsibilities associated are assisting committee with planning and organizing guest speaker, lodging, and event catering, set-up, distribution of materials and information, and communication with department faculty.

Other Department Service:

Medical SLP and Grand Rounds Seminar: Advanced cohort clinical seminar for preparation and training of medical SLP environment including case studies, discussion, skills and knowledge related to adult neurogenics, aphasia, and cognitive disorders in acute care, inpatient rehab, and long-term care facilities. 2021-present

Laryngeal Videostroboscopy- provide voice evaluations for local ENT referrals, including instrumental examinations, write reports with pictures and videos, make appropriate referrals based on ASHA scope of practice for voice therapy, and provide hands-on training and education with clinical practicum students.

Dysphagia Simulation Lab: Provided hands-on training for use with Fiberoptic Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing on dysphagia mannequin, including verbal, written, video, and one to one demonstration. 2021- present

Guest lecturer: CSD 4110 (Diagnostics in Communication Disorders) Provided lecture of course material for Chapter 8 for Aphasia and other Adult Language Disorders to undergraduate CSD students, including virtual PowerPoint. 2019- present

Guest lecturer: CSD 4120 (Consultation in Communication Disorders) Provided lecture of concepts for counseling and patient and caregiver education and training related to individuals with diagnosis of dementia. Discussion and PowerPoint, as well as other functional resources, such as videos and demonstrations used during lecture. 2019- present

Community:

Community speech and hearing screenings volunteer.

One on one discipleship for college students as part of Awakening Campus Fellowship.

Community Philanthropic Educational Organization member (April 2014 - Present). Chapter Y. Provide state, national and international scholarships for women. Promotes undergraduate and post graduate education for women around the world. P.E.O. owns and operates an all-women's college in Nevada, MO called Cottey College.

Professional Organization Memberships:

Georgia Speech Language and Hearing Association, 6/01/2017 – present, attended GSHA State Convention 2022 and 2023.

American Speech Language and Hearing Association, 4/27/2006 - present