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Education/Academic Degrees:

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
 B.A. Communication Sciences and Disorders
 Minor in Psychology
 Distinguished Communicator Candidate
 Overall GPA: 3.83
 COMD GPA: 4.0

Anticipated Graduation in May 2013

Research Experience:

Volunteer Research Assistant in Dr. Brittan Barker's Spoken Language Processing Lab

Spring 2012-Present

- Assisted in the formatting of the experiment testing the effects of talker variability on word learning in typically developing children aged 30 to 42 months using *E-PRIME*
- Edited sound stimuli for experiments using *Adobe Audition*
- Ran experiments with adults and children using *E-PRIME*
- Scored standardized assessment tools, such as *Preschool Language Scale-4 (PLS-4)* and *Child Development Inventory (CDI)*
- Screened hearing of children and adult participants before experiments
- Recruited and scheduled research participants for studies via phone, mail, and flyers Updated all research participant databases with information
- Met every other week with Spoken Language Processing Lab team members to discuss progress made in the lab and discuss current research in the field
- Volunteered at least 3 hours per week in the lab

Independent Research Project

Literature Review of the Effects of Multiple Talker Information on Speech Perception Across the Lifespan

Fall 2012

- Collected and analyzed appropriate research regarding the field of speech perception, word learning, and multiple versus single talker environments for various ages
- Composed a literature review regarding the current research findings
- Proposed future clinical and theoretical implications that further research on the topic could provide

Student Researcher for Dr. Janet Norris's Child Language Disorders Service Learning Course

Spring 2012

- Paired with a Pre-Kindergartner for a semester to administer a pretest, perform intervention, and administer a posttest of the child's vocabulary skills
- Taught phonemic awareness and alphabet skills to small group of low SES Pre-K children using *Phonic Faces* (Norris, 2001)
- Included review of vowel writing and sounds, storybook reading, and sounding out individual phonemes to combine into words during weekly sessions

Clinical Experience:

Louisiana State University's Language Preschool

Fall 2011-Present

- Acted as assistant to clinicians providing therapy to preschoolers with autism and language delays
- Trained in implementing and using *Picture Exchange Cards (PECS)* (Frost & Bondy, 1985) with nonverbal children
- Supervised children when clinician was out
- Kept inventory and replenished supplies
- Aided in keeping rooms cleaned and prepared for other clients

Dr. Vicky Roy's Dynamic Therapy Specialists: Reading Intervention Clinic

Fall 2012

- Worked one-on-one with a group of middle school aged children struggling with reading comprehension skills
- Attended two sessions per week with the students
- Prepared and lead lesson plans with the students
- Took individual observation notes for each student
- Recorded an agenda of what took place during each session
- Brought new reading materials each week for students to practice with
- Administered a pretest and posttest of the student's reading skills

New Orleans Speech and Hearing Center Volunteer

Summer 2012

- Assisted twice a week at the Language to Literacy Program for students aged 6-16
- Checked completion and accuracy of all homework and class assignments
- Focused on improving phonological awareness, auditory processing, and language skills of the students through reading and vocabulary building exercises
- Organized and filed paperwork
- Made copies of assessment materials

Related Work Experience:

LSU Speech and Hearing Clinic Student Worker

Fall 2010-Present

- Organized assessment materials
- Assisted with clinic office work such as, answering the phone, delivering packages, making copies, etc.
- Kept all clinical rooms supplied and cleaned
- Entered information into databases such as, graduate student clinical hours and client screening information
- Assisted professors with paperwork

The Painted Turtle Summer Camp Counselor

Summer 2012

- Worked in Lake Hughes, California as a counselor at The Painted Turtle Camp, a program for children with life threatening or chronic illnesses
- Ensured the safety of the children at all times and that medications were given out at the proper times
- Responsible for engaging the children in safe activities and counseling them when necessary

Honors and Awards:

Distinguished Communicator Candidate- Spring 2010-Present
Rho Lambda Greek Honor Society- Spring 2012
LSU Greek Life's "Geek of the Week"- Spring 2012
Chancellor's List/ 4.0 GPA- Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012
Dean's List- Fall 2009, Fall 2010
Golden Key International Honor Society- 2011
Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society- 2010
Delta Zeta New Member with the Highest GPA- 2010
National Society of Collegiate Scholars- 2009
Chancellor's Scholar Award- 2009
Taylor Opportunity Program for Students Recipient- 2009

Community Service:

National Student Speech Language Hearing Association- Fall 2011-Present
Habitat for Humanity- Spring 2010-Present
Delta Zeta Sorority- Spring 2010-Present
Special Olympics Volunteer- Spring 2010-Present
The Painted Turtle Camp Counselor- Summer 2012
Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation- Spring 2010-Present

Software Experience and Other Skills:

Certified by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Extramural Research training course
"Protecting Human Research Participants" Certification Number: 838588
E-PRIME experiment general knowledge
Sound editing in *Adobe Audition*
Familiar with Speech Analysis Program *TF32*
Trained in using *Phonic Faces* (language intervention tool)
Trained in using *PECS* cards (nonverbal communication system)
EndNote data entry
Microsoft Excel
Microsoft Word
Microsoft PowerPoint
Familiar with *Child Development Inventories* (CDI), *Preschool Language Scale-4* (PLS-4), and *Goldman-Fristoe: Test of Articulation*
Weebly Website Creator
Familiar with Systematic Analysis of Language Transcripts (*SALT*) Software