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EDUCATION

La Salle University, Philadelphia- *Master of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders* May 2018, 3.95 GPA

La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA- *Bachelor of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders* May 2017, 3.91 GPA

CLINICAL PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE

Montgomery County Intermediate Unit January-April 2018

- Screened, evaluated and treated children in grades kindergarten through eighth in six different non-public schools throughout the county, including a specialized school for children with learning disabilities.
- Planned and carried out lesson plans for students with articulation, fluency, and language disorders in individual and group settings.
- Implemented telepractice service delivery for weekly articulation therapy.

Abington Lansdale Hospital- Jefferson Health August-December 2017

- Screened, evaluated, and treated adult patients with swallowing disorders and acquired language disorders in an acute care setting, including completing bedside swallow evaluations, analyzing and documenting Video Fluoroscopic Swallowing Examinations, and counseling geriatric patients and their families regarding end-of-life care.
- Completed comprehensive evaluations and implemented treatment plans for adult patients with swallowing disorders, voice disorders, acquired language disorders, and cognitive-linguistic deficits in an outpatient setting.
- Maintained frequent communication with occupational/physical therapists, physicians, and nurses to enhance patient care and make appropriate referrals

The Timothy School, Berwyn, PA

January-May 2017

- Worked alongside occupational therapists and teachers using the TEACCH approach to treat students diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder, who had severe communication impairments between the ages of 11 through 21 years.
- Targeted social language, use of augmentative and alternative communication, and activities of daily living in various settings, including the school store, daily living center, and within the community (food store, the YMCA, etc).
- Maintained frequent communication with parents and guardians of students through bi-weekly progress reports.

La Salle University Speech-Language-Hearing St. Francis Clinic for Adults, Philadelphia, PA

September- December 2016

- Planned weekly lesson plans for a young adult with Autism Spectrum Disorder, focusing on improving pragmatic and receptive language skills.

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Clarke School, Philadelphia, Pa- Graduate Student Clinician

May-June 2017

- Observed preschool children who are deaf or hard of hearing learn to listen and talk in a small classroom setting.
 - Observations included listening checks and management of assistive hearing devices such as cochlear implants, hearing aids, and FM systems.
- Followed the treatment course of a preschooler with bilateral cochlear implants in individual and group settings.

Kirkbride School, Philadelphia, PA- Graduate Student Clinician

June 2017

- Administered and scored receptive and expressive language screenings to elementary school students.

CONFERENCES ATTENDED

FRIENDS One-Day Workshop at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

February,

2018

- Attended an interactive conference that allowed graduate student clinicians and speech-language pathologists to further expand their knowledge on stuttering through the listening of experiences of children who stutter and concerns expressed by family members of children who stutter.

ASSESSMENTS ADMINISTERED

- Clinical Evaluation of Language Fundamentals (CELF-5)
- Comprehensive Assessment of Spoken Language (CASL-2)
- Goldman Fristoe Test of Articulation (GFTA-3)
- Montgomery Assessment of Vocabulary Acquisition (MAVA)
- Structured Photographic Expressive Language Test (SPELT-3)
- Cognitive Linguistic Quick Test (CLQT)
- Ross Information Processing Assessment- Geriatric (RIPA-G:2)
- Boston Diagnostic Aphasia Examination (BDAE-3)
- Western Aphasia Battery (WAB-R)

COMMUNITY AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Alpha Epsilon Alumni Honor Society

May 2017-present

- Current member of the society that recognizes students who are ranked in the top fifth of their class and who contribute to the campus community.

National Student Speech Language Hearing Association

September 2014-May 2017

Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority

February 2014-May 2017

- Member, secretary, and two-time Vice President of Operations.
 - Communicated with National Headquarters and coordinated campus happenings and philanthropic events.