

**Ph.D. Student**

Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences  
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**EDUCATION**


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2009	Au.D.	Gallaudet University, Audiology
2008	M.S.	Gallaudet University, Audiology
2005	B.A.	University of Pittsburgh, Comm. Science Disorders, American Sign Language

**CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**


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July 2008-July 2009	Clinical Doctoral Extern, Marion Downs Hearing Center at the University of Colorado Hospital, Aurora, CO
Spring 2008	Clinical Doctoral Intern, The River School, Washington, DC
Fall 2007	Clinical Doctoral Intern, Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC
Summer 2007	Clinical Doctoral Intern, The National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD
Spring 2007	Clinical Practicum, Professional Hearing Services, Falls Church, VA
Spring 2007	Clinical Practicum, Inova Fairfax Hospital, Falls Church, VA
Aug 2005-Dec 2006	Graduate Clinician, Gallaudet University, Washington, DC

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE****Peer Mentoring Certificate Program, Gallaudet University**


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Summer 2009	PST 775 Orientation to Peer Mentoring (1 CU)
Summer 2009	PST 781 Applications for Peer Mentoring (1 CU)
Spring 2009	PST 780 Peer Mentoring for Hearing Loss (3 CU)
Summer 2007, 2008	PST 778 Practical Audiology: Fundamentals for Consumers (3 CU)
Spring 2007, 2008	PST 777 Biopsychosocial Aspects of Hearing Loss (3 CU)
Fall 2007	PST 776 Hearing Loss in America: An Overview (3 CU)

**Undergraduate Education, Gallaudet University**


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Fall 2006	HSL 210 Speechreading and Communication Strategies (1 CU)
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**WORK EXPERIENCE**


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Aug 2009-present	Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Hearing Enhancement: Peer Mentoring Program, Program Development, Gallaudet University
Sept 2008-Aug 2009	Colorado Home Intervention Program, CHIP facilitator, Denver CO
Sept 2006-May 2008	Holy Cross Hospital, Hearing Screening Technician, Silver Spring, MD
Sept 2006-May 2007	Tutorial & Instructional Programs, Tutor, Gallaudet University
Sept 2006-May 2007	Dept. of Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences, Clinic Biologic Checks, Gallaudet University
April 2005-Aug 2005	Allegheny Children's Initiative, Therapeutic Staff Support, Pittsburgh, PA

## GUEST LECTURES

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September 2009	<i>EHDI- The real deal: Clinical implications for audiology and early intervention</i> , HSL 861 Pediatric and Educational Audiology, Gallaudet University
March 2009	<i>Beginner sign language and communication strategies for adults</i> , Introductory Sign Language Course, Marion Downs Hearing Center, Aurora, CO
March 2009	<i>Audiologic early intervention: Hearing technology for pediatrics</i> , CLSC Key Concepts in Developmental Disabilities, University of Colorado Hospital
January 2008	<i>Early hearing detection and intervention: Newborn hearing screening</i> , PSY 833 Adult Development and Personality, Gallaudet University

## PRESENTATIONS

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April 2009	Kleindienst, S., Hanks, W., Brewer, C., Henry, K., Brudno, S., & LaSasso, C. <i>High Frequency (1000 Hz) Ipsilateral Acoustic Stapedial Reflexes in Neonates</i> . Poster presentation at the American Academy of Audiology national convention, Dallas, TX.
March 2009	Kleindienst, S. and Hanks, W. <i>Pros and Cons: Including High Frequency (1000 Hz) Ipsilateral Acoustic Stapedial Reflexes in UNHS</i> . Presentation at EHDI national convention, Addison, TX.
March 2009	Kleindienst, S. <i>Neurodevelopmental Outcomes in Extremely Low Birth Weight Infants: Neurosensory Deficits</i> . Presentation at JFK Partners 360° Care Conference, University of Colorado Hospital, Aurora, CO.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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International Society of Audiology (ISA)  
 American Academy of Audiology (AAA)  
 American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA)

## PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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December 2009	Doctoral Thesis, <i>Ipsilateral high frequency (1000 Hz) acoustic stapedial reflexes in neonates</i> Advisor: Wendy Hanks, Ph.D.
May 2004	Independent Study, <i>Asymmetry in the brain for signed versus spoken language</i> Advisor: Sheila Pratt, Ph.D.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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Aug 2006-present	Humanitarian audiology rural outreach: Hearing assessment, medical management, and hearing aid fitting, Cuana, Mexico
Mar 2008-Aug 2009	Professional Development Committee: Continuing Education; <i>Student Representative</i>
May 2008-Mar 2009	Committee for Student Educational Programs at the American Academy of Audiology national conference; <i>Student Representative</i>
Aug 2006-Aug 2007	President, National Association of Future Doctors of Audiology, Local Chapter, Gallaudet University
July 2006, 2007	Study preparation and data collection including full audiometric evaluation for research conducted on twins by the National Institutes of Health, Twinsburg, OH
September 2005	Healthy Hearing screenings for Special Olympics athletes, Towson, MD

## GRANTS

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June 2008	Small Research Grants Program, Graduate Research Institute, Gallaudet University, \$635.43
Oct 2009	Assisted in the preparation of a U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) personnel preparation grant application to support Gallaudet University's Speech Language Pathology graduate program

## AWARDS

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Aug 2009-present	U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) PhD education, Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences Dept., Gallaudet University, \$20,000 Annual Stipend and tuition waiver
Feb 2009-Aug 2009	Leadership Education in Neurodevelopment and Related Disabilities (LEND) pediatric trainee in audiology, Marion Downs Hearing Center, University of Colorado Hospital, \$9,500 (estimated)
June 2009	Outstanding 4 <sup>th</sup> Year Graduate Award, Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences Dept., Au.D. Program, Gallaudet University
Dec 2005-Aug 2005	Graduate President's Scholar, Gallaudet University
May 2008	Outstanding Graduate Award, for dedication to humanitarian work in Mexico, Gallaudet University
May 2006, 2008	Handelsman & Hendrix Award, for Achievement and service, and personal qualities of compassion, integrity, leadership, warmheartedness, Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences Dept., Gallaudet University
Jan 2002-May 2005	Phi Eta Sigma, Freshmen Honor Society, University of Pittsburgh
Dec 2001-May 2005	Dean's List, University of Pittsburgh
Spring 2003	Helping Hands, YMCA, Awarded to individual(s) who have dedicated time and service, YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh, PA
Jan 2002-May 2003	Lambda Sigma, Sophomore Honor Society, University of Pittsburgh

## LANGUAGE

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American Sign Language: Able to communicate fluently at conversational level