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## **ACADEMIC PREPARATION**

2024	Continued coursework for Ed.D EDL770, EDL 790
2023	Continued coursework for Ed.D EDL701, EDL 711, EDL 700, EDL 725, EDL 790
2022	Continued coursework for Ed.D CSP 533, EDL 682, EDL711, EDL 712, EDS 747, EDS 570
2021	Initiated Coursework for Ed.D. EDL 700, EDL600
2016	SED 502 Legal and Policy Issues Affecting Special Education Program Administration, SED 540 Contemporary Topics in Special Education, Illinois State University (Normal, II)
2013	MS Communication Sciences and Disorders, Western Illinois University (Macomb II)
2009	<b>BS</b> Communication Sciences and Disorders, Western Illinois University (Macomb II)

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2017-Present Instructor and Clinical Supervisor in Speech Pathology and Audiology Department, Western Illinois University (Macomb, Il)

2013- Present Speech-Language Pathologist, Peoria Public School District #150 (Peoria II)

- Served students in Head Start program, State PreK, Primary and Middle School
- Provided creative and motivating intervention to students with diverse needs
- Collaborated with teachers and other professionals in order to provide best practice
- Implemented various service-delivery models
- Created and implemented a Positive Peer Program to facilitate inclusion for children with disabilities
- Presented research-based information at Teacher Professional Development addressing skills and strategies for language impaired students in the classroom

- Participated in problem solving meetings, IEP meetings, parent/teacher conferences
- Chaired the committee to create policy and procedures for speech-language pathologists' role in the RTI process

2014- 2016 Speech-Language Pathologist, Select Rehab (Pekin, II)

- Provided treatment to patients in skilled nursing facilities
- Treated patients with aphasia and dysphagia

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2017	Introduction to Communication Disorders (CSD100), Public School Methods (CSD521)
Spring 2018	Normal Language Development (CSD312), Public School Methods (CSD521)
Fall 2018	Introduction to Communication Disorders (SPA100), Normal Language Development (SPA312)
Spring 2019	Public School Methods (SPA521)
Fall 2019	Introduction to Communication Disorders (SPA100), Autism and Special Populations (SPA515)
Spring 2020	Public School Methods (SPA521)
Fall2020	Introduction to Communication Disorders (SPA100)
Spring 2021	Public School Methods (SPA521)
Fall 2021	Introduction to Communication Disorders (SPA100), ASL (SPA223)
Spring 2022	Public School Methods (SPA521)
Fall 2022	Introduction to Communication Disorders (SPA100), ASL (SPA223)
Spring 2023	Public School Methods (SPA521)
Fall 2023	Introduction to Communication Disorders (SPA100)
Spring 2024	Public School Methods (SPA521), Auditory System and Hearing Loss (SPA391)
Fall 2024	Introduction to Communication Disorders (SPA100)

#### **CLINIC SUPERVISION**

Summer 2018 Graduate Speech-Language Practicum Off-site supervisor, Peoria

Public Schools (Peoria, II)

2017- Present Graduate Speech-Language Practicum (SPA 588), Diagnostic Clinical

Practicum (SPA 587), Western Illinois University (Macomb, Il)

#### **INVITED SPEAKER**

Pierson, N. M. (2021-2024) Why Sign With Hearing Children? Present to ASL 2 course at Western Illinois University.

(WIU, Macomb II).

Pierson, N. M. (2023) Communication and Sensory Differences in Autistic Individuals. West Central Illinois Counselors Association

(WIU, Macomb II).

Pierson, N. M. (2018) Parents' Rights in Special Education. Comfort Circle, special needs support group (WIU, Macomb II).

Pierson, N. M. (2019) Parents' Rights in Special Education. Comfort Circle, special needs support group (WIU, Macomb II).

#### **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

2024	EDL 790 Dissertation
2024	EDL 770 Comprehensive Evaluation
2023	Ethics Training
2023	EDL 557 Special Problems in Educational Leadership
2023	EDL 701 Quantitative Research
2023	EDL 710 Global Perspectives on Educational Leadership
2023	EDL 700 Seminar in Doctoral Studies
2023	EDL 725 Dissertation Studies 2
2023	EDL 790 Dissertation
2022	EDS 570 Seminar in College Teaching
2022	EDS 747 Social Justice Policy and Ethics

2022	EDL 712 Managing Organizational Resources
2022	EDL 711 Transforming Organizations
2022	EDL 682 Field Study Qualitative Research
2022	CSP 533 Critical Narrative Analysis
2021	EDL 600 Evaluating Educational Programs
2021	EDL720 Coalition Building
2021	Autism Symposium (1.5 CEU)
2020	From Preschool to Highschool: Language and Literacy Toolkit (.3 CEU)
2020	Forced Into Telepractice With No Idea What to Do Next! (.1 CEU)
2020	Telepractice: Practical Application in Pediatrics (.15 CEU)
2020	Embedding Intervention Strategies into Everyday Activities of Infants/Toddlers and Their Families (.1 CEU)
2020	Neurodiversity: Thinking Differently (.1 CEU)
2020	Recent Intervention Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders ( .1 CEU )
2020	Collaborative Therapy Isn't Pushy (.1 CEU)
2020	Ethical Issues Associated with the Supervisory Process (.05 CEU)
2019	Nine Building Blocks of Supervision (.2 CEU)
2019	Knowledge, Skills and competencies for Supervision (.1 CEU)
2019	Dismissal Decisions and Student Motivation (.1 CEU)
2019	Supporting Children in Poverty: Special Considerations (.1 CEU)
2019	Autism Across the Spectrum (.6 CEU)
2018	WIU Language Conference- BFF Technique to Sensory Needs (.6 CEU)
2018	Differentiating Sensory and Behavior (.6 CEU)

2017	Legal Updates: Discipline, 504, RTI Collaboration (.3CEU)
2016	Annual Therapies in the School Conference (1.2 CEU)
2016	Zones of Regulation (.6 CEU)
2016	Tobii Dynavox Compass Software (.1 CEU)
2016	Tobii Dynavox - Beyond Requesting (.1CEU)
2016	Audiology for the SLP (.2 CEU)
2016	Implementing Tier II approach (.2 CEU)
2016	Classroom Based Strategies for Autism Spectrum Disorder (.1 CEU)
2016	Social Skills Curriculum (.1 CEU)
2016	Sensory Diets (.1 CEU)
2016	CAPD Intervention Strategies (.3 CEU)
2015	Visual Phonics (.9 CEU)
2015	The Kaufman Speech to Language Protocol (.6 CEU)
2015	Assessment of Lip and Tongue Tie (.2 CEU)
2015	Strategies for Treating Children in Trauma (.7 CEU)
2015	Behavior Management Strategies for SLPs (.1 CEU)
2015	Expediting Progress for Children with Severe Phonological Disorders (.1 CEU)
2015	Incorporating Phonemic & Phonological Awareness i Speech Therapy (.1CEU)
2015	Writing and Redefining IEP Goals (.1 CEU)
2015	Language & Literacy in Poverty (.1 CEU)
2014	Illinois Speech-Language Hearing Convention (1.1 CEU)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2015- 2017 Executive Board Member, Peoria Area Speech-Language Hearing Association

2017 Peoria Federation of Teachers, Speech-Language Pathologist Liaison

## **DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

2023- Present WIU Autism Clinic Coordinator

2018- 2020 Language Conference Committee

2018- 2023 Internship Committee (School placements)

2018- 2020 Group Therapy Think Tank

2017 - Present Clinic Committee

2017- Present Undergraduate Recruitment Committee

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2015- Present Peoria Area Speech-Language Hearing Association

2013- Present American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) #14063094

2013-Present Illinois Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist

2013- Present Illinois Professional Educator's License