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EDUCATION

- 2014 **PhD Speech and Hearing Science**, University of Iowa (Iowa City, IA)
Dissertation: "The importance of high-frequency audibility with and without visual cues on speech recognition for listeners with normal hearing"
Advisor: Ruth Bentler
- 2004 **AuD (Clinical Doctor of Audiology)**, A.T. Still University, (Mesa, AZ)
- 1997 **MS Communication Science and Disorders- Audiology**, Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)
- 1995 **BS Communication Science and Disorders**, Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2023 **Professor.** Received promotion July 2023
- 2018-present **Chairperson for the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology**, Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL).
Perform duties as assigned by the administration for the purpose of keeping the academic and clinic active and accredited.
- 2018 **Associate Professor.** Received tenure July 2018
- 2016-present **Program Director for Communication Sciences & Disorders**, Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL).
Served as the liaison between CAPCSD and ASHA for the CSD program. Scheduled and organized successful accreditation site visit for November 2016.
- 2011-2018 **Audiology Clinic Coordinator and Assistant Professor**, Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)
Served as the contact for the WIU Hearing Clinic, responsible for patient and student schedules, annual calibration, supplies, computer and software updates and maintenance, undergraduate and graduate audiology practicum supervision. Teaching responsibilities include undergraduate and graduate courses in the CSD department.

- 2006-2011 **Audiology Clinic Coordinator and Instructor**, Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)
Responsible for the daily needs of the WIU Hearing Clinic that included the supervision of undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in the audiology practicum. Teaching duties included audiology courses at the undergraduate and graduate level in the CSD department.
- 2002-2006 **Audiology Clinic Supervisor**, Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)
Supervision of undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in audiology clinic practicum.
- 2002-2014 **Audiologist**; Co-Owner, Knox County Hearing Center (Galesburg, IL) and McDonough County Hearing Center (Macomb, IL)
A private practice that served pediatric and adult populations with hearing health care including audiological diagnostic procedures and providing of hearing aids and assistive listening devices.
- 1998-2002 **Director of Audiology**- Galesburg Clinic (Galesburg, IL)
Partnered with an otolaryngologist to serve pediatric and adult patients with diagnostic and rehabilitative audiological practices.

RESEARCH LABORATORIES

- 2013-2020 Speech Perception Lab at Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)
(Director: Amanda B. Silberer)
- 2010-2013 Speech Perception at Lab University of Iowa (Iowa City, IA)
(Director: Karen I. Kirk, PhD)
- 2009-2010 Cochlear Implant Electrophysiology Laboratory at University of Iowa (Directors: Carolyn J. Brown, PhD; Paul J. Abbas, PhD)
- 2009-2010 Pediatric Auditory & Early Speech Development Lab at University of Iowa (Director: Sandie Bass-Ringdahl).

PUBLICATIONS

- Cox, J. L., **Silberer, A. B.**, & Ruebush, H. M. (2021). Breaking out of the silos: A case study in co-teaching in speech-language pathology. In J. C. Friberg, C. F. Visconti, & S. M. Ginsberg (Eds.), *Evidence-Based Education in the Classroom: Examples from Clinical Disciplines*. (pp. 13-20). SLACK Incorporated.
- Escobar, J., Mussoi, B.S., & **Silberer, A.B.** (2019). The Effect of Musical Training and Working Memory in Adverse Listening Situations. *Ear and Hearing, Vol. 41, Issue 2*.

Beauchamp, J., Durham, H., Edwards, B., Koncsol, D., Myers, B., **Silberer, A.B.**, & Tyler, R. (2015), *The Practice Analysis in Clinical Audiology- A Blueprint of Competencies, Tasks, Knowledge and Skills for Today's Audiologist*, American Board of Audiology.

Silberer, A.B., Bentler, R.A., Yu-Hsiang, W. (2015). The importance of high-frequency audibility with and without visual cues on speech recognition for listeners with normal hearing. *International Journal of Audiology*, 54: 865-872.

Ehrgott, E. and **Silberer, A.B.** (2014). Peer mentoring in clinical education. *ASHA SIG 11, Perspectives on Administration and Supervision*, 24, 1, 32-40.

INVITED SPEAKER

Silberer, A.B. (2016). "Always" the hearing healthcare specialist: Audiology for the SLP. Peoria Area Speech-Language Hearing Association (PASHA). September 12, 2016, 6:30-8:30 pm. Peoria, IL.

PRESENTATIONS

Cox, J. L., **Silberer, A. B.**, & Ruebush, H. M. (2023). A co-constructed curriculum in speech-language pathology. 2023 ASHA Convention, Boston, MA; National convention

Escobar, J., Mussoi, B.S., & **Silberer, A.B.** (2019). The Effect of Musical Training and Working Memory in Adverse Listening Situations, *American Academy of Audiology (Columbus, OH)*

Silberer, A.B., Bentler, R.A., Yu-Hsiang, W. (2014). Importance of High-Frequencies on Speech Recognition with and without Visual Cues, *American Auditory Society Scientific & Technology Meeting*, (Scottsdale, AZ).

Silberer, A.B., Schwingle, A.K., & Egan, C. (2014). Identifying the effects of maximum and preferred audibility on speech recognition performance of adult hearing aid users: Pilot results. *American Academy of Audiology (Orlando, FL)*

Silberer, A.B., Bentler, R.A., & Yu-Hsiang, W. (2014). Importance of High-Frequency Audibility with and without Visual Cues on Speech Recognition of Listeners with Normal Hearing, *American Academy of Audiology*, (Orlando, FL).

Silberer, A.B., Bentler, R.A., & Yu-Hsiang, W. (2013). Importance of High-Frequency Information with and without Visual Cues on Speech Recognition of Normal Hearing Listeners, *Western Illinois University Communication Sciences and Disorders 1st Annual Speaker Series*, (Macomb, IL)

- Silberer, A.B.,** Schwingle, A.K., & Egan, C. (2013). Identifying the Effects of Maximum and Preferred Audibility on Speech Recognition Performance of Adult Hearing Aid Users. *American Speech Language Hearing Association*, (Chicago, IL)
- Kirk, K.I., Prusick, L.M., **Silberer, A.B.**, & Giuliani, N.M. (2012). Multimodal Lexical Sentence Test: Performance of adults with hearing loss. *American Auditory Society of America* (Scottsdale, AZ).
- Silberer, A.B.** & Bass-Ringdahl, S.M. (2011). Monitoring audibility throughout intervention with subjective and objective measures in children birth-to-three years of age. *13th Symposium on Cochlear Implants in Children* (Chicago, IL).
- Kirk, K.I., Prusick, L.M., **Silberer, A.B.**, Eisenberg, L.S., Young, N.M., French, B., & Giuliani, N.M. (2011). The Multimodal Lexical Sentence Test for Adults: Performance of Listeners with Hearing loss, *Conference on Implantable Auditory Prostheses* (Pacific Grove, CA).
- Silberer, A.B.**, Scheperle, R., Fleener, R., Etlar, C., Brown, C., Abbas, P., Jeon, E.K., Chiou, L.K., Kirby, B., Mussoi, B., O'Brien, S. (2010). Cortical auditory evoked responses recorded from cochlear implant users: Data from Iowa. *Objective Measures in Auditory Implants-6th International Symposium* (St. Louis, MO).

JOURNAL & TEXTBOOK REVIEWS

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| Spring 2020 | Reviewer for the International Journal of Audiology |
| Spring 2019 | Reviewer for the Journal of American Academy of Audiology |
| Spring 2018 | Reviewer for International Journal of Audiology and Otology |
| Spring 2018 | Reviewer for the International Journal of Audiology |
| Spring 2017 | Reviewer for the International Journal of Audiology |
| Spring 2016 | Reviewer for the International Journal of Audiology |
| Spring 2015 | Reviewer for Jones & Bartlett Learning of Fundamentals of Audiology for the Speech-Language Pathologist textbook |

TECHNICAL REVIEWS

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| Fall 2020 | Reviewer of proposal by Maryland Industrial Partnerships Program. University of Maryland College Park proposal with VisiSonics Corporation on a project entitled: Personalized Headphone Audio: Beyond HRTFs |
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GRANTS and FUNDING

2024	Received \$20,000 from Mellinger Foundation for our clinic
2023	
2022	Fellheimer Trust of United United Methodist Church- start up funding for our Autism Clinic of Excellence (\$23,000)
2021	Received \$20,000 from Mellinger Foundation for our clinic
2020	Received \$15,000 from Mellinger Foundation. I met with the Board of Directors and explained our outreach with local community and the number of local students who enrolled in our program. The Foundation committed to provide us annual funding to meet the needs of the students and clients we serve.
2016	RedCAT FM-systems for West Prairie Elementary School classrooms (\$5,000 award)

TEACHING

Fall 2024	Audiology for the SLP (SPA 550)
Spring 2024	Research Methods for CSD (SPA501) Audiometry and Hearing Disorders (SPA 390)
Fall 2023	Audiology for the SLP (SPA 550)
Spring 2023	Audiometry and Hearing Disorders (SPA 390)
Fall 2022	Research Methods for CSD (SPA 501) Audiology for the SLP (SPA 550)
Summer 2022	Research Methods for CSD (SPA 501)
Spring 2022	Audiometry and Hearing Disorders (SPA 390)
Fall 2021	Audiology for the SLP (SPA 550)
Summer 2021	Research Methods for CSD (SPA 501)
Spring 2021	Audiometry & Hearing Disorders (SPA 390)
Fall 2020	Audiology for the SLP (SPA 550)
Summer 2020	Research Methods for CSD (SPA 501)
Spring 2020	Audiometry and Hearing Disorders (SPA 390)
Fall 2019	Audiology for the SLP (SPA 550) Audiology portion SPA 100
Spring 2019	Audiometry and Hearing Disorders (SPA 390)
Fall 2018	Audiology for the SLP (SPA 550) Research Methods for SPA (SPA 501)
Spring 2018	Audiometry and Hearing Disorders (SPA 390)
Fall 2017	Audiology for the SLP (CSD 550)
Spring 2017	Audiometry & Hearing Disorders (CSD 390)
Fall 2016	Audiology for the SLP (CSD 550) Scientific Thinking (CSD 472)
Spring 2016	Audiometry & Hearing Disorders (CSD 390) Guest lecturer: Aural Rehabilitation (CSD 494)
Fall 2015	Audiology for the SLP (CSD 550) Anatomy & Physiology (CSD 210)
Spring 2015	Audiometry & Hearing Disorders (CSD 390)

Fall 2014	Guest lecturer: Aural Rehabilitation (CSD 494) Audiology for the SLP (CSD 550) Anatomy & Physiology (CSD 210)
Spring 2014	Audiometry & Hearing Disorders (CSD 390)
Fall 2013	Audiology for the SLP (CSD 550) Aural Rehabilitation Across the Lifespan (CSD 494)
Spring 2013	Audiometry & Hearing Disorders (CSD 390)
Fall 2012	Audiology for the SLP (CSD 550) Aural Rehabilitation Across the Lifespan (CSD 494)

HONOR THESES & PROJECTS (ADVISOR):

2020	Project: Markey, Colton (2020). In-class honors presentation: Overview of the Vestibular System.
2019	Thesis: Runquist, J. (2019). Occupational Risk of Early Childhood: Otitis Media How Can Healthcare Professionals Identify and Monitor Otitis Media More Efficiently?
2019	Project: Seehafer, Allison (2019). Overview and Intervention of Middle Ear Disease: Cholesteatoma
2018	Thesis: Escobar, J. (2018). The Effect of Musical Training and Working Memory in Adverse Listening Situations.
2018	Project: Jessika Runquist (2018). In-class honors presentation: Middle-Ear (OME) Guidelines.
2017	Project: Escobar, Jillian (2017). Devised test protocol for thesis project. Determined SNR for test procedures.
2014-2015	Thesis: Murphy, R. (2015). Musical Training and Its Effects on Speech Perception in Noise
2015	Project: Kammermeyer, K. (2015). Assisted with calibration, testing and results in the Speech Perception Lab.
2014	Project: Murphy, R. (2014). Collection of normative data for the sound-level meters used in labs and classrooms, CSD 390.
2012	Project: Kraisch, C. (2012). Prepared a resource guide for APDs for SLPs

CONTINUING EDUCATION

2024	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (New Orleans, LA): 13 CEUs
2023	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (Orlando, FL): 12.5 CEUs
2022	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (Portland, OR): 13 CEUs
2021	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (Virtual): 30 CEUs
2020	ASHA Supervision Continuing Education. .4 CEUs
2019	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (San Diego, CA): 13.5 CEUs
2018	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (Austin, TX): 11.5 CEUs
2017	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (New Orleans, LA): 11.9 CEUs
2016	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (San Antonio, TX): 11.7 CEUs
2015	Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD) Annual Conference (Newport Beach, CA): 11.5 CEUs
2014	FALL: Enrolled as a PhD student at the University of Iowa (Iowa City, IA): 2 SHs
2014	Starkeypro: Tomorrow Starts Today, (Minneapolis, MN): 12 CEUs
2014	American Academy of Audiology (AAA), (Orlando, Florida): 10 CEUs
2014	SPRING: Enrolled as a PhD student at the University of Iowa (Iowa City, IA): 2 SHs
2013	American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) (Chicago, IL): 6 CEUs

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Fall 2013-2015	American Board of Audiology Task Force for Audiology Practice Analysis. The taskforce will describe the domains, tasks, and knowledge and skills that comprise professional practice in the field of audiology.
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UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2024	Presentation Judge at the 12th Annual Graduate Research Conference, Western Illinois University, April 2024
2022	Athletic Strategic Planning Committee
2022	Recruitment Advisory Committee
2021	Campaign Planning Committee
2021	Risk-Management Volunteer for Gateway Testing
2020	Fall 2020 Reopening of On-Campus Classes and Activities
2019	Provost search committee (Spring 2019).
2018	University Social Responsibility Task Force
2018	Poster judge at the Fifth Annual Graduate Research Conference, Western Illinois University, March, 2018.
2017	Session moderator at the Fourth Annual Graduate Research Conference, Western Illinois University, March 3rd, 2017.
2016	Council on Intercollegiate Athletics (CIA) as a representative of the College of Fine Arts and Communication
2016	Honors Council representing the College of Fine Arts and Communication (FALL term)
2016	Completed the First Year Experience Program and Spring 2016 FYE Academy
2016	Committee for the President and Provost Annual Reviews
2013-2016	Institutional Review Board Committee Member
2013-2017	Faculty Senate

COLLEGE SERVICE

2020-present	Recruitment and Retention Committee
2015	2 ND Year Review Committee for the Dean of Fine Arts and Communication
2012-2014	ExPC Executive Planning Committee for COFAC
2011	College representative for grade appeals

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

2020-2021	Developed and implemented American Sign Language Minor for WIU
2019	Feasibility study completed for an AuD program for the Provost/President offices
2019	Created the plan for adding a spring cohort to our graduate program at the request of the Provost/President offices
2016-present	All department committees
2015-2018	Clinic Committee

2015-2018	Grading Rubric Committee for Courses and Clinic
2013-2018	Department Personnel Committee
2013-2018	Graduate Committee
2013-2018	Graduate Admissions Committee
2012-2018	Journal Group for students and faculty
2010-2012	Curriculum committee
2010-2012	Search committee for Department Chair, Unit A, & Unit B positions
2002-2017	WIU student organization NSSLHA advisor

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2023	Secured initial funding through Fellheimer Foundation and started working with The Autism Project (TAP) to provide much needed services for our local area region providing comprehensive evaluations for autism [The Western Autism Clinic of Excellence (WACE)]
2002-2020	Supervision of undergraduate and graduate students performing hearing screenings at Health Fairs on and off campus
2017-2021	COFAC Service Day for Macomb Community

HONORS & AWARDS

2011	Doctoral Student Research Award- 13 th Symposium on Cochlear Implants in Children (Chicago, IL)
2011	Student Travel Award- Conference for Implantable Auditory (Pacific Grove, CA)
2010	University of Iowa Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellowship in Aging Award 2010-2011- Iowa Center on Aging (Iowa City, IA)

ALUMNI COUNCIL

2023-	Leatherneck Athletics Club Board
2017-2023	Western Illinois University Alumni Council

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2002-present	American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) #120-15520
2002-present	Illinois Licensed Audiologist #147-000928