

Theresa Worthington

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Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Communication Sciences and Disorders, December 2013

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas

Dissertation Topic: Reading Span Test and Text Recognition: Comparison of Quiet and Two-Talker Noise

Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology, May 2007

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas

Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting, December 1988

University of Texas, Austin, Texas

Certifications

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| American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology | 2008-Present |
| License to Practice Speech-Language Pathology in Texas | 2008-Present |
| License to Practice Speech-Language Pathology in New Mexico | 2014-Present |
| LSVT LOUD Certified Clinician | 2014-Present |
| License to Practice Certified Public Accountancy in Texas | 1992-Present |

Teaching Experience

Department of Health and Human Services Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico

August 2015-Present

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Assistant Professor

- In the *Speech and Language Assessment* course, create and present lectures, design assignments, and evaluate undergraduate students' performance for in-class and on-line course sections.
- In the *Language Intervention* course, design and present lectures to students in the classroom and via Skype, develop assignments, and assess graduate students' performance.
- In the *Articulation/Phonological Disorders* course, develop and present lectures, create assignments, and evaluate undergraduate students' performance for in-class and on-line course sections.
- Supervise graduate student clinicians who provide intervention, screening, and assessment services for children and adults in the university clinic.
- Arrange graduate student practicum placements at local and out-of-state school districts.

Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas

May 2015-July 2015

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Adjunct Faculty

- In the *Professional Issues in Speech-Language Pathology* course, developed and presented lectures, designed in-class and on-line assignments and assessments, and evaluated graduate students' performance.

Teaching Experience Continued

**Department of Health and Human Services
Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico**

August 2014-May 2015

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Assistant Professor

- In the *Speech and Language Development* course, developed and presented lectures, created assignments, and evaluated undergraduate students' performance for on-line course section.
- In the *Speech and Language Assessment* course, created and presented lectures, designed assignments, and assessed undergraduate students' performance for in-class and on-line course sections.
- In the *Language Intervention* course, developed and presented lectures to students in the classroom and via Skype, developed assignments, and evaluated graduate students' performance.
- Supervised graduate student clinicians who performed intervention and assessment services for children and adults in the university clinic.

**Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas**

July 2014-July 2014

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Adjunct Faculty

- In the *Professional Issues in Speech-Language Pathology* course, developed and presented lectures, designed in-class and on-line assignments and evaluations, and assessed graduate students' performance.

**Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas**

September 2013-June 2014

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Temporary Assistant Professor

- In the *Clinical Practicum* course, developed and presented lectures, coordinated guest lecturers, evaluated undergraduate students' performance, and managed clinical pairings of undergraduate students with graduate clinicians.
- Reviewed videos and topics covered in *Dysphagia* lab for graduate students.
- Supervised graduate student clinicians who performed intervention, assessment, and hearing screening services for children and adults in the university clinic and in community placements.

**Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas**

December 2011-May 2012

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Adjunct Faculty

- In the *Clinical Applications of Aural Rehabilitation: Part 2* course, developed and presented lectures, created assignments, and evaluated graduate students' performance.
- Supervised graduate student clinicians who performed intervention and assessment services for pre-school and elementary students.

**Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas**

August 2010-April 2011

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Teaching Assistant

- In the *Clinical Applications of Aural Rehabilitation: Part 2* course, created and presented lectures, developed assignments, and assessed graduate students' performance.
- In the *Supervised Observation Laboratory: SLP* course, developed and presented lectures, designed assignments, and evaluated undergraduate students' performance.

Teaching Experience Continued

**Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas**

September 2008-August 2009

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Teaching Assistant

- In *Motor Speech Disorders* course, presented lectures, adapted assignments, and evaluated graduate students' performance.
- Provided optional lab for graduate students in the *Voice Disorders* course.
- Supervised graduate student clinicians who performed intervention and assessment services for children.

Additional Professional Positions

Early Childhood Intervention Developmental Education Birth to Three/Lubbock ISD September 2012-August 2013

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist

- Provided speech and language services for children birth to three, including assessment and intervention.
- Delivered feeding services for children birth to three, including assessment and intervention.
- Implemented weekly speech and language group treatment sessions as part of speech therapy team.
- Developed IFSP's and collaborated effectively with parents concerning evaluation, planning, and implementation of services.
- Completed enrollment, transition, and dismissal paperwork.

RehabCare/Bender Terrace, Lubbock, Texas

February 2012-August 2012

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/PRN

- Provided a variety of speech, language, swallowing, and cognitive intervention services and communicated client progress to supervisor.
- Worked as part of a multidisciplinary team to communicate with clients, staff members, and families, regarding follow-through programs.
- Documented client care in accordance with company policies.

Private Practice/Theresa Worthington, M.S., CCC-SLP, Lubbock, Texas

January 2012-August 2012

Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist

- Provided a variety of speech and language services for elementary students, including assessment and intervention.
- Developed client goals and therapy activities, completed weekly progress notes, and interacted effectively with parents and teachers concerning evaluation, planning, and implementation of services.

SELCO/Slaton ISD

August 2007-May 2008

Licensed Speech-Language Pathology Intern

- Provided a variety of speech and language services for pre-school, elementary, and junior high students, including assessment and intervention.
- Developed and implemented weekly language lessons for pre-school and kindergarten students in mainstream classrooms.
- Planned and implemented biweekly language and speech treatment as part of a multidisciplinary team.
- Developed IEP's; completed ARD committee paperwork; and interacted effectively with parents concerning assessment, planning, and implementation of services.

Additional Professional Positions Continued

**Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas**

June 2006-August 2006

Graduate Assistant

- Reviewed and edited student scholarly papers.
- Assisted with writing of research material.

West Texas Peterbilt (Lubbock), Inc., Lubbock, Texas

August 1990-January 2000

Certified Public Accountant/Controller

- Supervised and trained accounting staff for three dealerships and one leasing location.
- Established accounting control procedures.
- Prepared and analyzed financial statements.
- Prepared and filed state tax returns.

Long-Term Research Goals

To determine the impact of task complexity and noise present in one's learning and working environment on cognitive task performance, especially in the areas of reading, writing, working memory, and spoken communication.

To evaluate the effect of increasing one's working memory capacity on individual cognitive task performance, especially in the areas of reading, writing, and spoken communication.

To investigate the impact of narrative retell, narrative generation, and vocabulary training on reading comprehension and spoken communication performance.

Publication: Journal Article

Worthington, T. M., & Koul, R. (2010). The finding that training with abstract exemplars may improve generative naming abilities in persons with anomic aphasia is rendered inconclusive because of methodological limitations. *Evidence-Based Communication Assessment and Intervention, 4*(2), 88-92.

Presentations

- **Worthington, T., & Hicks, C. B. (2014).** Working memory test: Adult performance in quiet and two-talker noise. Research paper presented at American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention on November 20, 2014. Orlando, FL.
- **Worthington, T. (2014).** Reading span test: Adult performance in quiet and two-talker noise. Research poster presented at New Mexico Speech-Language Hearing Association Annual Convention on October 24, 2014. Albuquerque, NM.
- **Worthington, T., & Hicks, C. B. (2014).** Working memory test: Comparison of adult performance in quiet and two-talker noise. Paper presented at Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention on February 27, 2014. Houston, TX.
- **Worthington, T., & Fleck, C. (2014).** Goal writing for students. Paper presented at Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention on February 27, 2014. Houston, TX.
- **Worthington, T., & Hicks, C. B. (2013).** Modality-based differences in adult performance on Reading Span Test (RST). Research poster presented at American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention on November 15, 2013. Chicago, IL.
- **Worthington, T. (2013).** Impact of noise on working memory task. Research paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on November 1, 2013. Lubbock, TX.
- **Worthington, T. (2013).** Speech and language screenings for audiology professionals. Paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on October 22, 2013. Lubbock, TX.

Presentations Continued

- **Worthington, T.** (2013). Reading Span Test and text recognition: Comparison of quiet and two-talker noise. Research paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on October 9, 2013. Lubbock, TX.
- **Worthington, T.** (2013). Communication is an interactive process. Paper presented at Partners Resource Network's 2013 Statewide Network Conference Series on August 10, 2013. Lubbock, TX.
- Gustafson, T., Hicks, C. B., & **Worthington, T.** (2013). Listening effort in noise: Dual-task performance of school-aged children. Research paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on April 26, 2013. Lubbock, TX.
- **Worthington, T.**, Hicks, C. B., & Gustafson, T. (2013). Listening effort in noise: Dual-task performance of school-aged children. Research poster presented at Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention on March 8 and 9, 2013. Dallas, TX.
- **Worthington, T.**, & Fleck, C. (2013). Clinical report writing for students. Paper presented at Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention on March 7, 2013. Dallas, TX.
- **Worthington, T.**, & Hicks, C. B. (2013). Modality-based difference in adult performance on Reading Span Test. Research poster presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on March 5, 2013. Lubbock, TX.
- **Worthington, T.**, & Fleck, C. (2012). Therapy notes & writing guidelines for students. Paper presented at American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention on November 17, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- Fleck, C., & **Worthington, T.** (2012). Matching therapy activities & goals: Strategies for students. Paper presented at American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention on November 16, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- **Worthington, T.** (2012). Member of APD team: Role of SLP in assessment and treatment. Paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on April 25, 2012. Lubbock, TX.
- **Worthington, T.**, Gustafson, T., & Hicks, C. B. (2012). Listening in noise: Dual-task performance of school-age children. Research poster presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on March 21, 2012. Lubbock, TX.
- **Worthington, T.**, & Fleck, C. (2012). Clinical report writing has its own style. Paper presented at Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention on March 9, 2012. San Antonio, TX.
- Fleck, C., & **Worthington, T.** (2012). Strategies for beginners 101: Planning effective therapy sessions. Paper presented at Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention on March 8, 2012. San Antonio, TX.
- Fleck, C., & **Worthington, T.** (2012). Planning effective therapy sessions. Paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on March 6, 2012. Lubbock, TX.
- Gustafson, T., Hicks, C. B., & **Worthington, T.** (2011). Dual-task performance of school-age children: Listening in noise. Research paper presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention on November 18, 2011. San Diego, CA.
- **Worthington, T.** (2011). So I hear you're putting together a team. Paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on April 27, 2011. Lubbock, TX.
- **Worthington, T.** (2010). Alternatives to out-of-class service delivery in the educational setting. Paper presented at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center on June 3, 2010. Lubbock, TX.

Professional Affiliations

Member of American Speech-Language-Hearing Association since 2007
 Member of South Plains Speech-Language & Hearing Association
 Member of Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants
 Member of South Plains Chapter of Certified Public Accountants

Honors and Awards

ASHA Award for Continuing Education November 2013
 TTUHSC School of Allied Health Sciences Chapter of Alpha Eta Honor Society
 School of Allied Health Sciences Scholarship Recipient
 Allensworth Scholarship Recipient

Professional Development

- Ethics in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology by Leslie Fauquet, M.A. November 30, 2015. Self-study course.
- Accounts Receivables Best Practices by Joseph Helstrom, CPA. November 26, 2015. Self-study course.
- Dynamic and Interactive Charts by Patricia McCarthy. November 25, 2015. Self-study course.
- Tax Provisions of the Healthcare Act by Danny Santucci, JD. November 25, 2015. Self-study course.
- Ethics and Professional Conduct for Texas CPAs by Joseph Helstrom, CPA. November 25, 2015. Self-study course.
- 2015 Easy Tax Update by Danny Santucci, JD. November 25, 2015. Self-study course.
- Project Management Workshop by Fred Pryor Seminars. October 22, 2015. Lubbock, TX.
- Dementia Therapy in the New Healthcare Environment by Nancy Shadowens, M.S. October 16, 2015. Lubbock, TX.
- Reading with TLC Condensed Full Training by Nancy Telian and Penny Castagnozzi. September 13 and 20, 2015. Live 6-hour webinar.
- Mediasite Desktop Recorder Training by John Erdmann. April 15, 2015. Portales, NM.
- Best Practices in Flipped Class Design: Recorded Session by Robert Talbert, Ph.D. April 10, 2015. Portales, NM.
- Strategies for Getting Started in the Flipped Classroom by Robert Talbert, Ph.D. February 10, 2015. Portales, NM.
- Estate Planning Essentials by Professional Scholastics. November 29, 2014. Self-study course.
- 2014 FASB Update by Steven C. Fustolo, MBA, CPA. November 28, 2014. Self-study course.
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention. November 20-21, 2014. Orlando, FL.
- Meet the Masters Symposium 2014. Advancing Video Fluoroscopic Swallowing Assessment across the Lifespan. November 19, 2014. Orlando, FL.
- New Mexico Speech-Language Hearing Association Annual Convention. October 24-25, 2014. Albuquerque, NM.
- LSVT LOUD Online Training and Certification Workshop. Completed March 31, 2014.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. February 27-28, 2014. Houston, TX.
- Ethics: An Overview for Texas CPAs by The CPE Store. November 26, 2013. Self-study course.
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention. November 14-16, 2013. Chicago, IL.
- Research Roundtables. November 15, 2013. Chicago, IL.
- Meet the Masters Symposium 2013. The Other Side of the Spoon: Balancing Dysphagia Choices Across a Lifetime. November 13, 2013. Chicago, IL.
- Executive Function & Dysfunction: Developmental Mechanisms & Associations with Language & Sensory Learning by Scott J. Hunter, Ph.D. November 13, 2013. Chicago, IL.
- QEP 2013 Fall Symposium: Interprofessional Teamwork by Jim M. Davidson and John H. V. Gilbert, C.M., Ph.D., FCAHS. October 25, 2013. Lubbock, TX.
- National Outcomes Measurement System Pre-Kindergarten User Guide by American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. September 27, 2013. On-line course.
- National Outcomes Measurement System Adult User Training Revised 2013 by American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. September 27, 2013. On-line course.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. March 2013. Dallas, TX.
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention. November 15-17, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- Feeding Disorders & ASD: Multidisciplinary Perspective of Assessment & Treatment by Michele Cole-Clark, Rashelle Berry, and David Jaquess. November 17, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- Research Roundtable. November 15, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- Researcher-Academic Town Meeting. November 14, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- Meet the Masters Symposium 2012. The Sensory Aspects of Swallowing. November 14, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- PC01 Lungs, Pulmonary Disease, Pneumonia and Dysphagia: The Forgotten Graduate Course by James Coyle. November 14, 2012. Atlanta, GA.
- Frank Musiek's (C)APD Bootcamp VI. July 2012. Storrs-Mansfield, CT.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. March 2012. San Antonio, TX.

Professional Development Continued

- Selective Auditory Attention in Children and Adults by Leigh Ann Reel, Au.D., Ph.D. and Candace Bourland Hicks, Ph.D. February 23, 2012. Lubbock, TX.
- It's Never Too Early for Early Intervention by Robert E. Owens, Jr., Ph.D. February 17, 2012. Lubbock, TX.
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention. November 2011. San Diego, CA.
- New Investigator Roundtables. November 17, 2011. San Diego, CA.
- Researcher-Academic Town Meeting. November 16, 2011. San Diego, CA.
- Advances in Research: Diagnosis and Treatment of Dyslexia by Jeffrey R. Gruen, M.D. and Nickola Wolf Nelson, Ph.D. November 16, 2011. San Diego, CA.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. March 2011. Houston, TX.
- Curriculum-Based Language Assessment & Intervention: Methods, Applications, and Case Examples by Nickola Wolf Nelson, Ph.D. February 2011. Lubbock, TX.
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Convention. November 2010. Philadelphia, PA.
- QEP 2010 Fall Symposium: Interprofessional Teamwork by Paul Uhlig, M.D., Tom McGovern, Ph.D., and Betsy VanLeit, Ph.D. October 2010. Lubbock, TX.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. March 2010. Fort Worth, TX.
- Memory, Ethics, and the Adjudication Process: Clinical Management Strategies by Leonard "Chick" LaPointe, Ph.D. February 2010. Lubbock, TX.
- Human Memory, Brain-Based Disorders, and What We Need to Know: Leftovers in the Refrigerator of the Mind by Leonard "Chick" LaPointe, Ph.D. February 2010. Lubbock, TX.
- Making Clinical Decisions: Evidence-Based Practice in Speech-Language Pathology by Ralf W. Schlosser, Ph.D. March 2009. Lubbock, TX.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. February 2008. San Antonio, TX.
- TCASE Special Education Leader's Academy 2007 by Texas Council of Administrators of Special Education, Inc. November 2007. Lubbock, TX.
- Primary/Ancillary Examiner Team Training-Team Approach to Bilingual (English/Spanish) Special Education Testing (Region XVII). October 2007. Lubbock, TX.
- Legal Update 2007 (School Age Children Services at School) by Sherry Sancibrian, M.S. August 2007. Lubbock, TX.
- RTI Models for Speech Pathologists by JoAnn Wiechmann, M.A. August 2007. Lubbock, TX.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. March 2007. Houston, TX.
- Pediatric Feeding & Swallowing: Dysphagia-Health Issues by Joan C. Arvedson, Ph.D. October 2006. Lubbock, TX.
- Supporting Language and Literacy Across the Curriculum by Carol Westby, Ph.D. March 2006. Lubbock, TX.
- Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention. March 2005. Austin, TX.
- Autism-Dealing with Behaviors for Students Across the Autism Spectrum by Cathy Pratt, Ph.D. February 2005. Lubbock, TX.