Greetings

On behalf of faculty and staff of the Ph.D. Program in Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences, I am pleased to present you with the Fall, 2014 newsletter. This was a very exciting semester with great achievements by students, faculty, and alumni. This issue brings you information about the most recent research projects and events. I would like to take this opportunity and express my gratitude for your continuous interest and support. The generosity of our alumni provided students with research, travel, and teaching fellowships this year. As we are getting ready to celebrate the 50th anniversary of our program next year, we look forward to hearing from you. Please continue sending us your news and memories of our program. Happy 2015!

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Dissertation Defenses

Please join us in congratulating Dr. Naomi Eichorn and Dr. Maryamm Naghibolhosseini for successfully presenting their Dissertation Defense. Congratulations!

**Dr. Naomi Eichorn** defended on September 11, 2014.
“When Less Can Be More: Dual Task Effects in Stuttering and Fluent Adults”
Chair: Dr. Klara Marton

**Dr. Maryamm Naghibolhosseini** defended on December 8, 2014
“Estimation of Outer-Middle Ear Transmission using DPOAEs and Fractional-Order Modeling of Human Middle Ear”
Chair: Dr. Glenis Long
Second Level Research Projects and Second Examinations

**Reethee Antony** passed her second examination on July 22, 2014.

**Zarabeth Waldman-Deluca** presented her second level research project, “Gap-Filling Ability and the Effect of Working Memory on Wh-Question Comprehension in Typical Children: An Eyetracking Study”, on September 10, 2014. She also passed her second examination on October 8, 2014.

**Kate Dawson** presented her second level research project, “Techniques for quantifying tongue shape and complexity using ultrasound imaging”, on December 11, 2014. She also passed her second examination on October 8, 2014.

**Amy Vogel** passed her second examination on October 29, 2014.

First Examinations

The following students passed first examination:

Advisor – Dr. Brett Martin

“Perception of Konkani Features by Nonnative Speakers”  
Advisor – Dr. Brett Martin

“Interaction Effects of Psycholinguistic Variables in Lexical Processing”  
Advisor – Dr. Loraine Obler

**Richard Lissemore** – November 11, 2014  
“Effects of American English glottal consonants on post-consonantal voicing”  
Advisor – Dr. Douglas Whalen
A Meeting of the Minds!!

Dr. Obler’s Neurolinguistics lab meeting.

Dr. Marton’s Cognition and Language lab meeting.
Dr. Schwartz’s Child Language lab meeting.

Dr. Shafer’s Developmental Neurolinguistics lab meeting.


In Press


Ph.D. Program in Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences Annual Alumni Event on October 24, 2014

Lawrence Raphael, Brett Martin, Barbara Franklin, Richard Schwartz

Valerie Shafer and Elizabeth Galletta


Nittouer, S., (2014, November). The title is Beyond Early Intervention: Supporting Deaf Children Through Elementary School. ASHA, Orlando, FL


Riguelme, L., and Tristani, M., (2014, November). Dysphagia in
Persons With Dementia: Seeking Evidence for What We Do. ASHA. Orlando, FL.


ASHA Annual Conference, November 2014

Iris Fishman (left), Karece Lopez (right), and Zara Waldman-Deluca (center) of Dr. Schwartz’s lab, presenting their posters at ASHA in Orlando, FL., November 2014.

Emily Zane (left), Valerie Shafer (center), and Yan Yu (right) presenting at ASHA.
AWARDS AND HONORS

Recipients of the ASHA Honors Award

Richard Schwartz and Elaine Silliman received Honors of the Association from the ASHA at the Annual Conference Orlando, FL. On November 21, 2014. The award is the highest honor the Association bestows and it was presented to Richard and Elaine at the ASHA Annual Conference on November 21, 2014 in Orlando, FL.

Richard Schwartz, and Zarabeth Waldman-Deluca were one of twenty mentor-protege pairs honored with the Research Mentoring-Pair Travel Award (RMPTA) for the 2014 ASHA Convention

Eve Higby Received the Undergraduate Research and Mentoring Grant at Queens College. The purpose of the grant is to encourage faculty to involve undergraduate students in conducting scientific research.

Richard Goldfarb received Honors of the Association at the New York State Speech-Language-Hearing Association in Saratoga, NY.

Karece Lopez received the Student Research Travel Award from ASHA.

Jason Rosas received the 2014 Graduate Student Scholarship from ASHA.

Teresa Signorelli earned an ASHA ACE Award for Continuing Education and she also received a grant from the Rose Badgeley Charitable Trust for research study called, Cognitive Strategies for Improving Listening Comprehension in Aphasia.
**Other News**

The Ph.D. Program in Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences now has a Facebook page! Please visit it at [https://www.facebook.com/speechlanguagehearingsciences](https://www.facebook.com/speechlanguagehearingsciences)

**Robert Domingo** has been promoted to Chairman of the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders of LIU/Post.

**Christine Kosky** has earned tenure and was promoted to Associate professor at Mercy College.

**Sandra Levey** has been appointed to the Multilingual Affairs Committee of the international Association of Logopedics and Phoniatrics (IALP).

**Paul Milner** is celebrating 25 years of his practice, Hearing Care Center in Sharon, MA! Congrats! The center’s website is [www.hearingcarecenter.com](http://www.hearingcarecenter.com)

**Lorraine Obler** has been voted to the Governing Board of the Academy of Aphasia. She also taught a short course in, Bilingual Aging, at the MultiLing Center at the University of Oslo in October 2014.

**Barbara O’Connor Wells** is now a Program Professor in Speech Language Pathology at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

**Arlyne Russo** has accepted an adjunct faculty position at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, CT. and has a new website, [www.aerusso.com](http://www.aerusso.com).

**Teresa Signorelli** launched a talk show on child development called, *Kids AtoZ with Dr. T.*, on BlogTalkRadio. She was also interviewed for Scholastic parent and Child Magazine article, *The (new) Power of Touch.*

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**Contribute to the Speech-Language Hearing Sciences Doctoral Student Fellowship**


Moe and Hannah Bergman Scholarship for Conference Travel: The Moe and Hannah Bergman Award makes funds available to students who travel to present research papers at conferences.

Martin Gitterman Excellence in Teaching Award: The Martin Gitterman Teaching Award gives awards for Excellence in Teaching.

Norma Rees fellowship for scholarly excellence for doctoral students in Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences.
These awards are given to a number of students each year. To contribute to one or either fund, please send a check payable to The Graduate Center Foundation. All checks should include account number 212731. Please indicate this number as well as the name of the award in which you want your contribution placed (e.g., Bergman, Bronstein, Gitterman, Rees).

In addition to the above accounts the program also has a discretionary fund. The account number for this fund is 213933 which the program is free to use at their discretion.

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CUNY Graduate Center
Attention: Development Office
365 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Please be sure to put the account number 213933 or 212731 in the memo section of your check.

Thank you!