

## VITA

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### EDUCATION:

University of Connecticut  
Doctor of Philosophy Degree

Major: Audiology  
August, 1982

Pennsylvania State University  
Master of Science Degree

Major: Audiology  
November, 1978

Queens College of CUNY  
Bachelor of Arts Degree

Major: Communications  
June, 1977

### EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:

2013-present

Southern Connecticut State University  
Department of Communication Disorders  
Professor/Director of Audiology

Responsibilities: I teach a wide range of graduate and undergraduate courses including: counseling for speech-language pathologists; educational audiology; introduction to hearing science; and introduction to audiology. In terms of my role as Director of Audiology, I oversee the administration and scheduling of the audiology clinic of the Center for Communication Disorders. I have also been charged with developing an Au.D. training program proposal for the Department of Communication Disorders. The initial draft of the Concept Paper for an Au.D. program was presented to the Provost, the Dean of the Graduate School, the Dean of Health and Human Services, and the Associate Provost in December of 2015.

2004-2013

Southern Connecticut State University  
Department of Communication Disorders  
Chairperson/Director of Audiology

Responsibilities: I served as the academic leader of the CMD department and the representative of the department to the School of Health and Human Services and the rest of the University. I was responsible for managing the fiscal affairs of the department, including developing an annual budget. I was also involved in the development and implementation of various strategic plans and the promotion of excellence in teaching and research within the department. I was responsible for assigning and assessing faculty workload including instructional, research, and service responsibilities as well as evaluating faculty members for retention, tenure and promotion. In addition, I was actively involved in developing and encouraging philanthropic, outreach and public service efforts related to the CMD and its clinical service arm, the Center for Communication Disorders (CCD).

- 1991-2004  
Southern Connecticut State University  
Department of Communication Disorders  
Professor (2002)/Associate Professor (1991-2002)/Director of Audiology  
Responsibilities: Taught a wide range of audiology courses to graduate and undergraduate students including amplification systems, adult aural rehabilitation, pediatric audiology, educational audiology, advanced diagnostics and environmental audiology. I also taught undergraduate courses as an introduction to hearing science and an introduction to audiology. As Director of Audiology, I was in charge of administration and scheduling of the audiology clinic as well as placement of students in off-campus sites. I also served as primary advisor to all audiology majors and developed their planned programs of graduate study. My research interests included hearing aid fitting strategies and measures of functional and communicative benefits derived from hearing aid use.
- 1987-1994  
Rehabilitation Engineering Center - The Lexington Center  
Senior Research Associate  
Responsibilities: Involved in research projects with Harry Levitt, Ph.D. concerning the development of new hearing aid technology and methodology. Among my chief accomplishments in this position, I developed a system of computerized continuous discourse tracking (CATS) to be used with hearing aid wearers and cochlear implant patients and completed an investigation into the use of hard-wired amplification systems by hearing impaired adults. Part-Time.
- 1987-1991  
St. John's University  
Department of Speech, Communication Science & Theatre  
Assistant Professor  
Responsibilities: Taught a wide range of graduate and undergraduate courses to students majoring in both speech-language pathology and audiology. A typical schedule included teaching one undergraduate and two graduate level courses while maintaining a steady program of research. Also involved in supervising graduate students audiological practicum.
- 1982-1987  
Queens College of the City University of New York  
Department of Communication Arts and Sciences  
Assistant Professor  
Responsibilities: Taught a wide range of graduate and undergraduate courses in clinical and rehabilitative audiology. Courses taught included hearing science, speech science and intro to audiology at the undergraduate level and hearing aids, aural rehabilitation, psychoacoustics, diagnostic audiology and experimental audiology at the graduate level. Clinical responsibilities included running an adult aural rehabilitation group. Also supervised graduate students' audiological practicum. Helped implement a University-based hearing aid dispensing program.

Research interests included speech perception in the hearing impaired, new developments in hearing aids, and the mainstreamed hard of hearing child.

- 1981-1982 Eastern Connecticut Regional Educational Service Center  
Educational Audiologist  
Responsibilities: Developed service contracts with individual towns and provided complete audiological services for students in those towns including maintenance of amplification equipment; measurement of classroom acoustics; taking of earmold impressions; and audiological and hearing aid evaluations. Also, supervised practicum experiences of master's level audiology students. During this time span I also provided audiologic services to the pediatric population (0-4 years) in the University of Connecticut Speech and Hearing Clinic on a one day per week basis.
- 1980-1981 UCONN Mainstream Project, Storrs, Connecticut  
Project Audiologist  
Responsibilities: Consulted with public school speech-language pathologists with regard to mainstreamed hearing impaired children in order to help the clinician become the case manager for these children. Also, provided complete audiological services to these children including monitoring the classroom situation as well as audiological and hearing aid evaluations. In addition, supervised graduate students providing these services.
- 1979-1980 John Dempsey Hospital, Farmington, Connecticut  
Clinical Fellowship Year Audiologist  
Responsibilities: Conducted audiological and hearing aid evaluations for my own caseload consisting almost exclusively of adults and helped implement the use of auditory evoked potential equipment.
- Aug. 1979 Veteran's Administration Hospital, Newington, Ct.  
Clinical Audiologist  
Responsibilities: Conducted audiological evaluations for an in-patient and out-patient adult population.

## **CREATIVE PRODUCTS:**

### **Professional Publications:**

Weiss, Deborah and Dempsey, James J., 'Performance of bilingual speakers on the English and Spanish versions of the Hearing in Noise Test (HINT).', Journal of the American Academy of Audiology, Number 19, 5-17, 2008.

Dempsey, James J., 'Circuitry Options: Signal Processing at Average Conversational Levels.' In H. Tobin (Ed.), Practical Guide to Hearing Aid Selection and Fitting. VA-Rehabilitation Research and Development Service Monograph

001, pp. 17-34, Fall, 1997.

Dempsey, James J. and Ross, M. 'Evaluation of hardwire personal assistive listening devices.', American Journal of Audiology: A Journal of Clinical Practice, Volume 3, Number 2, 71-77, 1994.

Dempsey, James J., Levitt, H., Josephson, J., and Porrazzo, J. 'Computer-Assisted Tracking Simulation (CATS)', Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, Volume 92, Number 2, Part 1, 701-710, 1992.

Dempsey, James J. and Linzalone, T. 'An evaluation of two signal processing hearing aids.', Journal of Communication Disorders, Volume 24, 180-186, 1991.

Dempsey, James J. and Levitt, H. 'Bone vibrator placement and the cancellation technique.', Ear and Hearing, Volume 11, Number 4, 271-281, 1990.

Dempsey, James J., 'The occlusion effect created by custom canal hearing aids.', The American Journal of Otology, Volume 11, Number 1, 44-46, 1990.

Dempsey, James J. and Levitt, H., 'Bone vibrator placement and cancellation.' Proceedings of the 12th Annual Conference on Rehabilitation Technology, New Orleans, La., 38.3, 321-322, 1989.

Dempsey, James J., 'The effect of automatic signal processing amplification on speech recognition in noise for persons with sensorineural hearing loss.' Annals of Otology, Rhinology, & Laryngology, Volume 96, 251-253, May/June, 1987.

Dempsey, James J., 'The Hearing Performance Inventory as a tool in fitting hearing aids.' Journal of the Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology, Volume XIX, 116-125, 1986.

Dempsey, James J., Censoprano, E., & Mazor, M., 'The relationship between head size and latency of the auditory brainstem response.' Audiology, Volume 25, 258-262, 1986.

Dempsey, James J., 'A functional measure of front-to-back ratio.' Journal of Auditory Research, Volume 25, 91-100, 1985.

Dempsey, James J., '6000 Hz as an early indicator of noise-induced hearing loss.' Ear and Hearing, Volume 6, Number 3, May-June, 1985.

Dempsey, James J. and Maxon, A., 'Temporal integration functions in hearing impaired children.' Ear and Hearing, September-October, 1982.

## **Book Chapters:**

Cascella, P., Purdy, M. and Dempsey, J., 'Clinical Service Delivery and Work Settings'. In R. Paul and P. Cascella (Eds.), **Introduction to Clinical Methods in Communication Disorders** (3rd ed.) Baltimore, MD. Paul H. Brookes Publishing Inc. (2014)

Cascella, P., Purdy, M. and Dempsey, J., 'Clinical Service Delivery and Work Settings'. In R. Paul and P. Cascella (Eds.), Introduction to Clinical Methods in Communication Disorders (2nd ed.) Baltimore, MD. Paul H. Brookes Publishing Inc. (2007)

Cascella, P., Purdy, M. and Dempsey, J., 'Clinical Service Delivery and Work Settings'. In R. Paul (Ed.), Introduction to Clinical Methods in Communication Disorders (1<sup>st</sup> ed.) Baltimore, MD. Paul H. Brookes Publishing Inc. (2002)

Dempsey, James J., 'Hearing Aid Fitting and Evaluation'. In J. Katz (Ed.), Handbook of Clinical Audiology (4th ed.) Baltimore, Md. Williams & Wilkins, (1994).

Dempsey, James J., 'Hard-Wire Assistive Listening Devices'. In M. Ross (Ed.), Communication Access for Hearing-Impaired People: Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Parkton, Md. York Press. (1994).

## **Book Review:**

Dempsey, James J., review of 'Deafness' (5th Edition) by Ballantyne, Martin and Martin (Eds). In Ear and Hearing, Volume 15, Number 5, 410, 1994.

## **Professional Presentations:**

**'A Pilot Telepractice Cochlear Implant Aural Rehabilitation Program in the VA System', with C. Trueheart, J. Preston, E. Michaelides, and C. Incandella-Lucas – Ninth International Adult Aural Rehabilitation Conference, St. Petersburg, FL, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

**'Applying Principles of 'Mindfulness' in Public School Settings & Clinical Training Programs', with L. Gallo – American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016.**

**'Directional Microphone Use for Adults with Dual Sensory (Auditory/Visual) Impairments', with C. Trueheart – American Academy of Audiology (AAA) Convention, Anaheim, CA. April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**

**'A Three-Tiered Strategic Plan for Change in Connecticut' – Professional Preparation in Cochlear Implantation (PPCI) Capstone Presentation,**

**Redwood City, CA, June 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.**

‘A Three-Week Group Hearing Aid Orientation Program – Lessons Learned’ – Sixth International Adult Aural Rehabilitation Conference, St. Pete’s Beach, FL, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

‘Comparison of Performance on English & Spanish HINT’, with D. Weiss - American Academy of Audiology (AAA) Convention, Minneapolis, MN. April, 2006.

‘Performance of Bilingual Speakers on the English and Spanish versions of the Hearing in Noise Test (HINT)’, with D. Weiss - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention, San Diego, CA, Nov. 2005.

‘Counseling through listening with the geriatric population’ – Third International Adult Aural Rehabilitation Conference, Portland, ME, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005

‘Performance of Bilingual Speakers on the English and Spanish versions of the Hearing in Noise Test (HINT)’, with D. Weiss - CT State University Faculty Research Conference, Central CT State University, New Britain, CT, May, 2005.

‘Preliminary Data on Performance of Bilingual Speakers on the English and Spanish versions of the Hearing in Noise Test (HINT)’, with D. Weiss - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA, Nov. 2004.

‘Speech Perception in Noise of Monolingual and Bilingual Speakers’. With D. Weiss - Connecticut Speech/Language Hearing Association (CSHA) Spring Conference, Central CT State University, New Britain, CT, May 6, 2004.

‘Speech Perception in Noise of Monolingual and Bilingual Speakers’. With D. Weiss - Southern CT State University, New Haven, CT, April 24, 2004.

‘Performance of monolingual and bilingual speakers on cognitive demand tasks in noise’. With D. Weiss. - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, November 2003.

‘Speech perception in noise of monolingual and bilingual speakers’. With D. Weiss – American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Chicago, IL Nov. 2003.

‘Counseling through listening with the geriatric population’ - American Academy of Audiology Annual Convention, San Antonio, TX April 5, 2003.

'Group hearing aid orientation programs' - Invited Paper- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, New Orleans, LA Nov. 2002.

'A three-week group hearing aid orientation program' – First International Adult Aural Rehabilitation Conference, Portland, ME., May 9, 2001.

'A modified approach to group hearing aid orientations' – American Academy of Audiology Annual Convention, San Diego, CA., April 21, 2001.

'Frequency compression amplification with mild to moderately hearing-impaired listeners' - Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association Spring Convention, Trumbull, Ct., May 19, 2000.

'Speech recognition in noise employing three different hearing aid technologies' American Academy of Audiology Annual Convention, Chicago, IL., March 18, 2000.

'Using frequency transposition amplification with less severely hearing-impaired listeners' American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, Ca., November 19, 1999.

'Additional applications of the computer-assisted tracking simulation (CATS) system' Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association Spring Convention, Farmington, Ct., May 8, 1998.

'Continued evaluation of the computer assisted tracking simulation (CATS) system' – American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Boston, Ma., Nov. 22, 1997.

'A comparison of ABR's and DPOAE's in a neonatal intensive care unit (NICU)' - Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association Spring Convention, Cromwell, Ct., May 10, 1996.

'Distortion product oto-acoustic emissions in a neonatal intensive care unit (NICU)' - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Orlando, FL., Dec. 8, 1995.

'Computer-assisted tracking simulation (CATS)' - CSU Fifth Faculty Research Conference, Danbury, Ct., Sept. 23, 1995.

'Hearing aid evaluation using computer assisted tracking simulation (CATS)' - Hearing Aid Research and Development Conference, NIDCD/VA, Bethesda, Md., Sept. 12, 1995.

'Distortion Product Oto-Acoustic Emissions' - Connecticut Audiology Association, New Haven, Ct., March 7, 1995.

'Hearing aid benefit as measured via computer-assisted tracking simulation (CATS)' - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention Anaheim, Ca., Nov. 21, 1993.

'Applications of the Computer-Assisted Tracking Simulation (CATS) System', 4th Annual CSU Research Foundation Conference, SCSU, Oct. 16, 1993.

'Low-technology assistive listening devices: potential benefits and pitfalls', Miniseminar - A.G. Bell Association Convention, San Diego, Ca., July, 1992.

'Application of the semi-automated continuous discourse tracking procedure', Miniseminar - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Atlanta, Ga., November, 1991.

'Evaluation of Low-Technology assistive listening devices', International Hearing Aid Conference, Iowa City, Iowa, June 23, 1991.

'A semi-automated continuous discourse tracking procedure', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Seattle, Wa., November, 1990.

'The effect of variable release time on sentence recognition', New York State Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Lake Kiamesha, N.Y., April, 1990.

'Clinical and experimental applications of the cancellation technique', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, St. Louis, Mo., November, 1989.

'Bone vibrator placement and cancellation', the 12th Annual Conference on Rehabilitation Technology, New Orleans, La., June, 1989.

'The effect of bone vibrator placement in a cancellation procedure', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Boston, Ma., November, 1988.

'The occlusion effect created by custom canal hearing aids', New York State Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Buffalo, N.Y., April, 1988.

'Speech recognition in noise and automatic signal processing amplification', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Detroit, Mi., November, 1986.

'The effect of head size upon the auditory brainstem response', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Washington, D.C., November, 1985.

'The Hearing Performance Inventory as a measure of hearing aid benefit', New

York State Speech-Language-Hearing Assoc. Convention, Kiamesha, N.Y., May, 1985.

'A functional measure of front-to-back ratio', New York State Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Lake Kiamesha, N.Y., May, 1985.

'Inter-octave frequencies and early identification of noise-induced hearing loss', New York State Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Lake Kiamesha, N.Y., May, 1984.

'Identification of synthetic speech stimuli by hearing impaired listeners', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Toronto, November, 1982.

'Temporal integration patterns in hearing impaired children', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Detroit, Mi., November, 1980.

'Narrow-band masking of pure tones', American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Atlanta, Ga., November, 1979.

### **Invited Participant:**

**Member of a national cohort of professionals (speech-language pathologists, teachers of the deaf, audiologists) who completed an intensive program in Professional Preparation in Cochlear Implants (PPCI) at the Jean Weingarten Peninsula Oral School for the Deaf, Redwood City, CA, January 24<sup>th</sup>-February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 & June 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.**

**Member of an international cohort of professionals brainstorming regarding the topic of "Living Well With Hearing Loss" at the Ida Institute, Skodsborg, Denmark, March 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 2011.**

### **Grants, Awards and Honors:**

**Awarded \$14,250.00 grant (with Drs. Deborah Weiss and Jennifer McCullough) "Impact of noise on the late auditory evoked potentials of monolingual and bilingual speakers" from the Connecticut State University Research Grant Program, Spring, 2011-12**

Awarded \$8500.00 grant (with Dr. Deborah Weiss) "Performance of monolingual and bilingual speakers on speech perception and cognitive demands tasks in noise" from the CSU research grant program, Spring, 2003.

Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Inc., The Distinguished Service Award, presented May 13, 1994.

Connecticut State University Research Grant - Summer 1993. \$3450.00. 'Hearing

Aid Benefit as Measured Via Computer-Assisted Tracking Simulation'.

PSC-CUNY Research Grant - July 1984 - June 1985. \$1500.00. 'A functional measure of front-to-back ratio in directional microphone hearing aids'.

**Editorial Positions:**

Editorial consultant for Ear and Hearing. 1988 - 1998.

Editorial consultant for American Journal of Audiology, 1994 - 2000.

Assistant Editor - Journal of the American Academy of Audiology, 2002-present.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association - Member and Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology.

ASHA Annual Convention Program Committee – Member –  
Hearing Aids/Assistive Listening Devices Subcommittee - 2002

ASHA Annual Convention Program Committee – Member –  
Education and Training Subcommittee – 2001

ASHA Annual Convention Program Committee – Member –  
Hearing Aids/Assistive Listening Devices Subcommittee - 2000

American Auditory Society - Member

Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Assoc. – Member  
Program Committee – 1991-1995  
Distinguished Service Award – 1994  
Conference Moderator – 2001, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2011

Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology - Member

American Academy of Audiology – Member/Fellow

AAA Annual Convention Program Committee – Member –  
Exhibitor Courses - 2003

**License:**

Connecticut State License in Audiology.

## **COMMITTEE WORK AT SCSU:**

### **University Level:**

Faculty Senate - Alternate (1992-1998)

Personnel Policy Committee of the Faculty Senate – Member (1995-1996)

University Promotion & Tenure Committee - Alternate - Called to serve 1998-99

University Faculty Retraining Committee - Member (1998-2002)

Search Committee – Chief Information Officer – Member (2013)

Search Committee – Dean of Graduate Studies – Member (2010)

Graduate Commencement Marshall – (2009-2010)

### **School Level:**

Search Committee – Dean Health & Human Services – Member (2006-2007)

HHS Scholarship Release Time Committee – Co-Chair (2004-2008)

Graduate Council - Alternate - School of Health & Human Services (2002)

### **Department Level:**

Departmental Evaluation Committee (DEC) - Chair (2000-2002; 2015-2016)  
Member (1995-2004)

Departmental Curriculum Committee (DCC) - Member (1991-2000)

Departmental Admissions Committee (DAC) – Member (1991-2002);  
(2013-present)

Sub-committee - Recruitment - Chair (1993-1997)

Departmental Academic Standards Committee (DASC) – Member (1992-2004)  
Chair (2004-2013)

Department Audit Leader (DAL) - 2000

Departmental Personnel Committee (DPC) - Member

Departmental Search Committee (DSC) – Member (2013-2015)

SCSU Chapter - National Speech-Language-Hearing Association - Faculty Advisor  
(1992-1998)

**Professional Development:**

04/30/2018 0.10 20Q: Effective Counseling = Information + Feelings

03/31/2018 0.10 Vanderbilt Audiology Journal Club: Recent Hearing Aid Innovations & Technology

02/28/2018 0.10 Improving the Patient Experience Through the Hearing Aid Trial

11/11/2017 0.40 2017 ASHA Convention

03/31/2017 0.10 Why Isn't Real Verification Performed?

11/19/2016 1.05 2016 ASHA Convention