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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Speech and Hearing Science The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
Advisor: Stacy M. Harnish, Ph.D.

M.A., Speech, Language, and Hearing Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
Thesis: Leveraging pupillometry and luminance-based mental imagery for a

novel mode of communication **Advisor**: Jamie Reilly, Ph.D.

B.A., Spanish and Neuroscience Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA

Mentored Advanced Project: Patterns of termination from the basolateral

amygdala to the orbitofrontal cortex **Advisor**: Nancy L. Rempel-Clower, Ph.D.

HONORS & AWARDS

2022 Academy of Aphasia Young Investigator Travel Fellowship (\$1,000); National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders

2022 Clinical Aphasiology Conference Research Symposium in Clinical Aphasiology Student Travel Fellowship (\$1,700); National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders

2021 15th Annual Eleanor M. Saffran Conference Student Scholar Award; Temple University

2021 TL1 Mentored Career Development Grant, Center for Clinical and Translational Science (\$29,136); The Ohio State University

2020 Alumni Grant for Graduate Research and Scholarship (\$3,540); The Ohio State University

2016 Meritorious poster recognition for *Caregiver Consultation & Training in International Service Delivery* at the Annual Convention for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

2013 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award (\$11,100); Teach For America

2010 Dennis Perri Junior Award (\$1,000); Grinnell College

2010 Center for Careers, Life, and Service Summer Internship Grant (\$3,000); Grinnell College

2007-2011 Trustee Honor Scholarship (\$5,000); Grinnell College

2007-2011 Conney Kimbo Scholarship (\$2,000); Grinnell College

2007-2011 Grinnell Grant (\$30,800); Grinnell College

2007 M. Frank and Margie Rudy Endowment Fund Scholarship (\$10,000); Fairview High School

2007 Lewis F. Mayer Memorial Scholarship (\$500); Fairview High School

2011

PUBLICATIONS

- 1.*Blackett, D.S., *Diedrichs, V.A., & Harnish, S.M. (2022) The association between nonverbal fluency and naming outcomes in aphasia. [Manuscript in preparation]. Department of Speech and Hearing Science, The Ohio State University. *These authors contributed equally to this work.
- 2. **Diedrichs, V.A.,** Jewell, C., & Harnish, S.M. (2022). A scoping review of the relationship between nonlinguistic cognitive factors and impairment-based aphasia treatment response [Manuscript in press]. *Topics in Language Disorders*.
- 3. **Diedrichs, V.A.,** Lundine, J.P., Blackett, D.S., Durfee, A.Z., Pan, X.J., & Harnish, S.M. (2022). Blocked versus random practice in treatment for anomia. *Neuropsychological Rehabilitation*. https://doi.org/10.1080/09602011.2022.2050411
- 4. Harnish, S.M., **Diedrichs, V.A.,** & Bartlett, C. (2022). The genetics of aphasia rehabilitation. *Aphasiology*. https://dx.doi.org/10.1080/02687038.2022.2043234
- 5. **Diedrichs, V.A.** (2015). Leveraging pupillometry and luminance-based mental imagery for a novel mode of communication (Publication No. 958157413) [Master's thesis, Temple University]. Temple University Libraries. http://dx.doi.org/10.34944/dspace/2762

PRESENTATIONS

- 1. **Diedrichs, V.A.,** Osher, D.E., & Harnish, S.M. (2022, October 23-25). *The inferior frontal gyrus and resting state connectivity in aphasia* [Poster session; Accepted]. Academy of Aphasia, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2. **Diedrichs, V.A.,** Osher, D.E., Fridriksson, J., den Ouden, D., Rorden, C., Newman-Norlund, R., & Harnish, S.M. (2022, May 17-21). *The inferior frontal gyrus and its role in the resting state connectivity of individuals with aphasia* [Poster session]. Clinical Aphasiology Conference, Wrightsville Beach, NC.
- 3. Baker, B., **Diedrichs, V.A.**, Cohen, T.A., Timog, J., & Harnish, S.M. (2022, May 17-21). *An analysis of virtual therapy efficacy for anomia treatment* [Poster session]. Clinical Aphasiology Conference, Wrightsville Beach, NC.
- 4. **Diedrichs, V.A.,** Osher, D.E., & Harnish, S.M. (2022, April 20-22). *Resting state fMRI connectivity in individuals with aphasia and the role of the inferior frontal gyrus* [Poster session]. Translational Science, Chicago, IL.
- 5. **Diedrichs, V.A.**, Pierson, C., & Kalmar, E. (2021, November 18-20). *Crash course in speech and language white matter association tracts: Dissecting beyond the arcuate fasciculus* [Poster

- session]. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Washington, DC.
- 6. **Diedrichs, V.A.**, Osher, D.E., & Harnish, S.M. (2021, September 10-11). *Neural compensation in the language network: Preliminary data* [Poster session]. 15th Annual Eleanor M. Saffran Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- 7. **Diedrichs, V.A.**, Kalmar, E., & Pierson, C. (2020, November 19-21). Proposal 12711: *A crash course in language-related white matter tracts: Dissecting beyond the arcuate fasciculus*. [Poster session]. Proposal accepted at the Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, San Diego, CA (Convention canceled).
- 8. Durfee, A.Z., Blackett, D.S., **Diedrichs, V.A.**, Newport, M., & Harnish, S.M. (2019, November 21-23). *Using verification tasks to understand the language network and language abilities in chronic post-stroke aphasia* [Poster session]. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association, Orlando, FL.
- Segal, L., Christie, M., Elias, E., Diedrichs, V.A., Levine, B., Hunter, Z., & Addis, A. (2016, November 17-19). Caregiver consultation & training in international service delivery [Poster session with meritorious recognition]. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- 10.Brophy, E. & **Diedrichs, V.A.** (2016, November 17-19). *Readability measures of web-based content for adults* [Poster session]. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- 11. Hart, J., **Diedrichs, V.A.**, & Reilly, J. (2016, April 1). *Luminance-based mental imagery and pupillometry as a novel mode of communication* [Poster session]. Temple University College of Public Health Research Day, Philadelphia, PA.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021-Present Graduate Research Associate

Center for Clinical and Translational Science, The Ohio State University **Project:** Neural Compensation in the Language Network; National Institutes of Health, NCATS, TL1TR002735

2018-Present Graduate Research Associate & Laboratory Manager

The OSU Aphasia Lab, The Ohio State University; Stacy M. Harnish, Ph.D. **Project**: Laying the groundwork for personalized medicine in aphasia therapy: Genetic and cognitive predictors of restorative treatment response; National Institutes of Health, NIDCD, R01DC017711

2014-2015 Research Assistant

Memory, Concepts and Cognition Lab, Temple University; Jamie Reilly, Ph.D. **Project**: Semantic memory and language learning in Alzheimer's Disease and Semantic Dementia; National Institutes of Health, NIDCD, R01DC013063 **Project**: Unlocking human consciousness and communication via reflexive pupillary dilation dynamics; College of Public Health Seed Grant

2013 Research Volunteer

Cognitive Neurophysiology Lab, Temple University; Gerry A. Stefanatos, Ph.D.

2012 Research Volunteer

Aphasia Rehabilitation Research Lab, Temple University; Nadine Martin, Ph.D.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2019, 2020, 2021, 2022	Guest Lecturer: Screening and Assessment of Dementia Course: Cognitive Communication Disorders, The Ohio State University
2019, 2020	Instructor Course: Anatomy, Physiology, and Science of Speech, The Ohio State University
2020	Guest Lecturer: Analyzing Communication in Aphasia Course: Intro. to Language Science and Disorders, The Ohio State University
2020	Master's Thesis Consultant Project: Analyzing the correlation between attention and word-retrieval in persons with aphasia
2019	Guest Lecturer: Neurolinguistics, Brain Maturation, and Information Processing Course: Language Acquisition, The Ohio State University
2019	Master's Thesis Consultant Project: The relationship between paraphasias in confrontation naming and discourse and their influence on informativeness
2018-2019	Graduate Teaching Associate Course: Language Acquisition, The Ohio State University
2018-2019	Guest Clinical Supervisor: OhioHealth Rehabilitation Hospital
2011-2013	8 th Grade Science Teacher Teach for America, Camden's Promise Charter School; Camden, NJ

MENTORING

2021-Present Jessica Timog (B.A.; The Ohio State University)

2020-Present Courtney Jewell (M.A./Ph.D.; The Ohio State University)

2019-2020 Tiniyja Burney (M.A.; The Ohio State University)

2019 Mackenzie Colombo (M.A.; The Ohio State University)

2014-2015 Jameer Hart (B.A.; Temple University)

2014-2015 Brianna McGrody (B.A.; Temple University)

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

2017-2020 Speech-Language Pathologist

OhioHealth Rehabilitation Hospital; Columbus, OH

2016-2017 Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellow

Aspen Therapy at Bryden Place and Forest Hills Center; Columbus, OH

2016 Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellow

Renaissance Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center; Philadelphia, PA

2013-2015 Graduate Student Speech-Language Pathologist

Temple University Speech-Language and Hearing Center; Philadelphia, PA

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, CLINICAL LICENSURE, AND CERTIFICATION

2021-Present Association for Clinical and Translational Science (#93078)

2020-Present ASHA Special Interest Group 2: Neurogenic Communication Disorders

2018-2021 Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS; 19776)

2016-Present Ohio Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (SP.12402)

2016-Present American Speech-Language and Hearing Association (CCC-SLP, 14091509)

SERVICE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2019 The Ohio State University Healthy Community Day

2019 SLP-GO Ohio Statehouse Advocacy Day

2018, 2019, 2020 Panelist for SLP & Graduate Student Experiences panel for OSU undergraduate

Language Acquisition course

2018	OhioHealth Rehabilitation Hospital (OHRH) Skills Day Presenter: Behavior Management Techniques
2018	Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Presenter: De-Escalation Techniques for EMS Personnel
2018	OHRH Physical Therapy Neuro-Residency Presenter: TBI Recovery in Inpatient Rehabilitation
2017-2018	OHRH Monthly New Employee Orientation Presenter: Documenting Patient Behaviors with the Agitated Behavior Scale
2017	OHRH Inservice Presenter: Post-Concussive Symptom Management
2016	Hearts in Motion SLP Student Volunteer in Guatemala
2014	Panelist for Temple University's National Student Speech Language Hearing Association