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The Department of Speech,
Language, and Hearing Sciences

School of Mind, Brain, and Behavior
College of Science



GRADUATION PROGRAM

"Processional"

Welcome and Introduction of Faculty and Staff

Pagie Beeson, PhD

Professor and Department Head

Greetings from the Dean

Elliot Cheu, PhD

Interim Dean, College of Science

Distinguished Professor of Physics

Student Group Acknowledgment

Department Awards

Excellence in Undergraduate Research

Grace Gerbing, BS

Outstanding Senior

Brandon Garivaldo, BS

Outstanding Graduate Student Clinician

Sarah "Sam" Morris, AuD

Saskia van Hecke, MS

Jean R. Guloien Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Aaron Whiteley, AuD

Morgan Kern, MS

SLHS Photo Montage

Presentation of Graduates

Doctor of Philosophy

Doctor of Audiology

Master of Science

Bachelor of Science

"Recessional"

MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT HEAD



Thank you for joining us today as we honor and celebrate our 2020 graduates. We have enjoyed our time with this wonderful group of students in the classroom, in our laboratories and clinics, and as we have served the community together. We bonded in new ways as we shared the challenges of completing your academic and clinical programs during this strange time of remote learning. We hope that frustrations were outweighed by the positive lessons that we will take away from this shared experience.

Our mission is to contribute to the scientific study of human communication and its disorders, to educate students regarding the knowledge and skills necessary for clinical and research endeavors, and to enhance individual lives by improving the ability to communicate. Our Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic provides the context for clinical education while delivering service to thousands of Arizonans every year. Students and faculty engage in educational and clinical outreach to our community, region, and across the globe.

The University of Arizona has been a national leader in the fields of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for more than four decades. Both of our clinical programs are ranked in the Top Ten Best Graduate Programs by *U.S. News and World Report*. This distinction reflects the national and international leadership of our faculty, excellence in classroom and clinical education, and the wonderful environment at the University of Arizona. Our program is supported by our amazing staff, and partnership with community professionals in speech-language pathology and audiology.

A degree in Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences can be the foundation for clinical or research careers, but also provides an understanding of human communication that is an asset for any future pursuit. We hope that all our students gain a greater appreciation of the amazing gift of human communication and an understanding of how to support those with communication disorders.

Congratulations and best wishes to all of our 2020 graduates!

**The Faculty and Staff of the
Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences**

2019 - 2020

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College of Science Undergraduate Ambassadors

Sarah Laitin

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SLHS Undergraduate Ambassadors

Caleb Peterson

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Siena Schoelen

College of Science Graduate Student Award for Teaching

Barrett St. George, PhD

College of Science Graduate Student Award in Scholarship

Alyssa Davidson, PhD

College of Science Graduate Student Award for Service

2019: Hannah Rosenberg Jones, MS

2020: Allyson Mitchell, MS

Centennial Achievement Award, 2019

Genesis Georgina Hernandez, MS

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† Bilingual Certificate

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Certificate Program

^ Graduate Certificate in Science Communication

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REMEMBERING JEAN R. GULOIEN

Jean (Jeannie) Guloien (1945-1970) was a much-loved student chosen to receive the outstanding graduate student in audiology in 1970. She was known for her warmth, sincerity, and strength in the classroom as well as the clinic. There was great sadness when Jeannie died in a car accident soon before her graduation. She was awarded her master's degree posthumously, and the outstanding graduate student award was named in her memory.

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2020!



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