2021 Spring Graduation Ceremony

Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences

School of Mind, Brain, and Behavior
College of Science

Thursday, May 13th, 2021
The University of Arizona
Women’s Plaza of Honor
E. University Blvd
Tucson, AZ 85721

Live Streaming and Video Tributes
via SLHS 2021 Graduation Site
MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT HEAD

Thank you for joining us today as we honor and celebrate our 2021 graduates. What a journey we have had together! We enjoyed a “normal” graduate program with time in the classroom, clinics, and laboratories, as well as the shift to remote learning and telehealth. Despite the challenges, we all learned new skills and gained insight that will serve us well in the future, and it is clear that many of you made strong bonds along the way.

As we sought to find a way to celebrate your accomplishments in person, it was fitting that the outdoor Women’s Plaza of Honor became the obvious venue. Among the many women honored at this location is one of the founding faculty members of our department: Dr. Klonda Lynn. Dr. Lynn came to the University of Arizona in 1945 and became department head in 1953. Under her leadership, the department developed the Master of Arts degree in Speech Pathology and Audiology. She was also a founding member of the Arizona Speech and Hearing Association. Dr. Lynn was department head until 1964 and retired from the university in 1972. A lamppost sited on the Women’s Plaza bears an inscription in her memory. Look for it in the courtyard today or when you are next on campus.

From those beginnings decades ago, our program became a national leader in the fields of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology. It is that legacy which brought so many of us here, faculty as well as students. Although people and circumstances change over time, our commitment of service to those with communication disorders has been constant. We welcome our newest cohort of professionals to join us in that mission – our 2021 graduates!!

Congratulations and best wishes to you all!

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

3:30 PM – Doctor of Audiology
5:00 PM – Master of Science, Group 1
6:30 PM – Master of Science, Group 2

SLHS Photo Montage of Graduates
Available to view 15 minutes before the start of each program on SLHS 2021 Graduation Site

Welcome
Pagie Beeson, PhD
Professor and Department Head

Presentation of Student Awards

Hooding of Graduate Students

Recessional
2021 GRADUATE AWARDS

College of Science Outstanding Scholarship Award

Laura Coco, PhD

Dissertation
Investigating the feasibility of Community Health Workers as teleaudiology patient-site facilitators: A strategy to improve access to hearing aid services for older adults

Mentor
Nicole Marrone, PhD

College of Science Outstanding Service Award

Chelsea Privette, PhD

Dissertation
The acquisition of African American English by Spanish-Speaking preschoolers

Mentor
Leah Fabiano-Smith, PhD
2021 SLHS GRADUATE AWARDS

Jean R. Guloien Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Kaitlyn Froese, AuD
Melanie Turner, MS

Outstanding Graduate Clinician Award

Sarah Beatty, AuD
Ann Miller, AuD
Summer Stolz, MS
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
Laura Coco
Chelsea Privette †

DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY
Sarah Beatty
Kaitlyn Froese
Jessica Fuggiti
Lauren Grusenmeyer
Emily Leedy
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Jennifer Shi
Samara Soslowsky
Amber Sulahria †

MASTER OF SCIENCE
Ella Ahrens
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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.

https://slhs.arizona.edu/jean-r-guloien-award
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