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EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** Speech, Language and Hearing Science Expected May 2025
The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, USA
Minor: Cognitive Science
Advisor: Aneta Kielar, Ph.D.
- M.S.** Communication Sciences and Disorders May 2021
East Carolina University, Greenville, NC, USA
Thesis: “Factors Correlated with Communication Confidence in Persons with Aphasia: A Synthetic Cohort Analysis”
Advisor: Charles Ellis, Ph.D., CCC-SLP
- B.S.** Speech Therapy June 2018
The Lebanese University, Fanar, LB
Honors Thesis: “Semantic Verbal Fluency: Normative Data for 14 Taxonomic Categories in Lebanese Arabic”

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ** Aug. 2021 – Present
Graduate Research Assistant, Language and Neuroimaging Lab
- Designing and conducting research aimed at examining psycholinguistic factors that affect naming in primary progressive aphasia
 - Applying transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS) to adults with primary progressive aphasia undergoing phonological treatment
 - Administering language and cognitive assessments to individuals with primary progressive aphasia
 - Managing and analyzing data from neurotypical adults and adults with primary progressive aphasia
- East Carolina University, Greenville, NC** Aug. 2019 – May 2021
Graduate Research Assistant, Communication Equity and Outcomes Lab
- Completed a retrospective study examining the factors that determine communication confidence in post-stroke aphasia
 - Developed and drafted manuscripts for publications
 - Managed data and performed statistical analyses and data interpretation
- East Carolina University, Greenville, NC** May 2020 – Aug. 2020
Graduate Student Researcher, Aging and Adult Language Disorders Lab
- Completed a systematic search and a scoping review on the effects of tamoxifen, a hormonal treatment for breast cancer, on language and cognition
 - Stored, managed, and analyzed data for statistical analyses and interpretation

- Designed and conducted a prospective study that aimed to obtain categorical normative data using semantic verbal fluency in neurotypical adults

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
Teaching Assistant, CSDI 6110 Brain, Language, and Aphasia

Jan. 2021 – Mar. 2021

WORK EXPERIENCE

Saint Joseph Private Clinics, Damour, Lebanon
Speech Therapist

Jun. 2018 – Aug. 2019

- Provided diagnostic speech-language evaluations for adults with strokes or traumatic brain injuries
- Designed and implemented custom treatment plans for adults with speech, cognitive, receptive and/or expressive language impairments
- Evaluated progress and planned reevaluation of patients

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Jacobs, M., **Jebahi, F.**, & Ellis, C. (2021). The Determinants of Health: Social, Structural, and Political Contributions to Health-Related Outcomes. In *Critical Perspectives on Social Justice in Speech-Language Pathology* (pp. 39-58). IGI Global.

Ellis, C. & **Jebahi, F.** (2020). Post-stroke aphasia prognosis. In A. am Zehnhoff-Dinnesen, A. Schindler, M. Monfrais-Pfauwadel, K. Neumann, J. Sopko, & P. Zorowka (Eds.), *Phoniatics Vol. 2: Disorders of Speech, Literacy Development, Acquired Language and Swallowing*. Heidelberg: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg. Forthcoming.

Journal Publications

Jebahi, F., Abou Jaoude, R., Daaboul, H., El Achkar, R., & Jacobs, M. M. (2021). Preliminary normative data for 12 categories using semantic verbal fluency: The role of animacy. *Applied Neuropsychology: Adult*, 1-6. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23279095.2021.1971981>

Adams-Mitchell C.J. & **Jebahi, F.**, (2021) Looking Deeper in the Assessment of Children with Sickle Cell Disease: A Need to Consider Language Development and Language Disruption Issues, *Journal of the National Black Association of Speech and Hearing*

Jebahi, F., Sharma, S., Bloss, J.E., & Wright, H.H., (2021) Effects of Tamoxifen on Cognition and Language in Women with Breast Cancer: A Systematic Search and a Scoping Review. *Psycho-Oncology*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/pon.5696>

Jebahi, F., & Ellis, C. (2021) Long-Term Recovery of Post-Stroke Aphasia. *Current Trends in Neurology*.

Jebahi, F., Abou Jaoude, R., & Ellis, C. (2020). Semantic verbal fluency task: The effects of age, educational level, and sex in Lebanese-speaking adults. *Applied Neuropsychology: Adult*, 1-5. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23279095.2020.1821031>

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

Conference Papers (Peer-Reviewed)

Jebahi, F., Sharma, S., & Wright, H.H., Effects of Tamoxifen on Cognition and Language in Women with Breast Cancer: A Scoping Review, International Neuropsychological Society, Feb. 3-6, 2021, ID # 248.

Jebahi, F., Briley, P.M., & Ellis, C. (2020, November). 12088: Semantic Verbal Fluency Task: Categorical Normative Data and Effects of Sociodemographic Variables in Lebanese Adults. Proposal accepted at the Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, San Diego, CA (Convention canceled).

HONORS AND AWARDS

University Fellows Award, The University of Arizona	2021 – 2022
Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC) Research and Project (ReaP) Grant, The University of Arizona	2021 – 2022
Fulbright Scholarship, The Fulbright Association	2019 – 2021
Dean’s Honor List, The Lebanese University	2014 – 2018

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Safety The University of Arizona	Oct. 2021
Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia Alzheimer’s Association	Aug. 2020
Primary Care and Traumatic Brain Injury The Greensboro Area Health Education Center	Aug. 2020
Cognitive and Behavioral Consequences of TBI in Adults The Greensboro Area Health Education Center	Aug. 2020
Modified Barium Swallowing Impairment Profile (MBSImP) Northern Speech Services	Mar. 2020

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Peer-Reviewed Articles for:

- Applied Neuropsychology: Adults
- Journal of National Black Association of Speech and Hearing

Peer-Reviewed Grant Applications for:

- Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC) Travel Grants, The University of Arizona

CERTIFICATIONS

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Program

Protecting Human Research Subjects

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)