

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2022-present University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA
Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Department of Gerontology
Doctoral Student
- 2009 Boston University, Boston, MA
Sargent College of Allied Health Professionals
Master of Science, Speech, Language & Hearing Sciences, Speech-
Language Pathology
- 2007 University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH
Bachelor of Science, Communication Sciences and Disorders
Minors, Spanish, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Studies

Professional Positions

- 2022-present Clinical Assistant Professor, Boston University
Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
- 2017-2022 Lecturer, Boston University (BU)
Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences (SLHS)
- 2014-2017 Clinician & Clinical Scholar, Speech-Language Pathologist
Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), Boston, MA
- 2010-2014 Clinician & Advanced Clinician, Speech-Language Pathologist
Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston/Charlestown, MA
- 2009-2010 Clinical Fellow
Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston, MA

Academic, Clinical, and Research Appointments

- 2021-2024 Senior Placement Coordinator, BU, Graduate Program in SLHS, Boston, MA
- 2020-present Associated Faculty, BU, Stepp Lab for Sensorimotor Rehabilitation
Engineering, Boston, MA
- 2019-2020 Placement Liaison, BU, Graduate Program in SLHS, Boston, MA
- 2016-2017 Clinician, Mild Closed Head Injury/Concussion Clinic (mCHI), MGH
Department of Neurology, Division of Behavioral Neurology, Institute for
Brain Health, MGH, Boston, MA
- 2016-2017 Adjunct Clinical Supervisor, BU, Graduate Program in SLHS, Boston, MA

- 2016-2017 Practicum Supervisor, BU, Graduate Program in SLHS, Boston, MA
- 2015-2017 Program Facilitator, Cognitive Linguistic Intensive Program (CLIP), MGH, Boston, MA
- 2014-2017 Clinician, Down Syndrome Program, MGH Genetics Department, Boston, MA
- 2014-2015 Site Mentor, Extended Cognitive and Psycho-social Enhancement Program (ECPEP), Albert Schweitzer Fellowship Program, MGH Institute of Health Professions (IHP) and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston, MA
- 2012-2017 Preceptor/Practicum Supervisor, MGH IHP, Graduate Program in Communication Sciences and Disorders, Boston, MA
- 2011-2012 Research Assistant, Clinical Scholars Program, Spaulding Rehabilitation Network and MGH IHP, Boston, MA.

Teaching

Boston University

- 2022-present Instructor, SH 701, Counseling in Speech-Language Pathology: An Introductory Seminar
- 2019-present Instructor, SH 757, Aging and Dementia
- 2019-present Instructor/Co-Instructor, SH 706, Clinical Reasoning: Advanced Case Studies
- 2018-2019 Co-Instructor, SH 705, Clinical Reasoning: Case Studies
- 2017-2021 Instructor, SH 548, Introduction to Language Disorders Across the Lifespan
- 2016-present Clinical Supervisor, SH 740 & SH 742/743, Clinical Practicum
 - 2020-present BU BrainFit Program for Parkinson's disease, Developed and Supervise, *A cognitive rehabilitative therapy program in partnership with BU Parkinson's Disease Center and the Voice Clinic at BU Sargent College*; this weekly therapy program provides education and cognitive strategies to support independence and cognitive health for clients with Parkinson's disease.
 - 2019-present An Intergenerational Dialogue and Collaboration for Cognitive Wellness (CogWell), Hearth Inc. & BU, Developed and Supervise: *A preventative cognitive program in partnership with Hearth Inc.*; this weekly therapy program provides health literacy education and cognitive engagement for older adults who experienced unstable housing.
 - 2016-2021 BU Aphasia Resource Center (ARC), Supervised: *Conversation Group, In the News, Community Connections, Cognitive Core, Practice That "Counts", What's Cookin' in the Kitchen, Radio Aphasia*
- 2017-present Instructor, SH 740 Lab, Adult Language Lab
- 2017-present Instructor/Clinical Supervisor, SH 744, Clinical Practicum: Diagnostics

Awards, Honors and Grants

- 2020 *Clinical Faculty Scholarship Grant*, Predictability of cognitive impairment in Parkinson's disease using discourse analysis. Collaboration with Stepp Lab, Boston University
- 2019 *Dean's Summer Stipend*, Cognitive wellness program. Collaboration with Hearth Inc. and Sargent College, Boston University.
- 2017 *Clinical Scholar*, Clinical Recognition Program, MGH
- 2015 *Partners in Excellence*, Individual Award, Leadership and Innovation, MGH
- 2015 *ALS National Advocacy Day*, Washington, DC, Recipient of the MGH Mary Forshay Scholarship
- 2013, 2016 *Award for Continuing Education (ACE)*, American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
- 2006-2007 *Vice President Research Grant for Multidisciplinary Investigation in Public Service*, Research Assistant, University of New Hampshire
- 2005, 2006 *Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship*, University of New Hampshire

Accepted Presentations

Balz, M. & Kammer, R. (2023, November). Comprehensive SLP Treatment in a University Clinic for Parkinson's disease. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Boston, MA. 1-Hour Oral Seminar.

Kammer, R. & **Balz, M.** (2022, November). Creating a hybrid university clinic to support communication and swallowing for people with Parkinson's disease. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, New Orleans, LA. 1-Hour Oral Seminar.

Boucher, A., Natsuko Ito, M., Graham, M., **Balz, M.**, Carney, A., Howland, K. (2022, November). Cultivating Student-Faculty Collaborations for the Advancement of Anti-Racist and Anti-Bias Education in Speech-Language Pathology. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, New Orleans, LA. 1-Hour Oral Seminar.

Balz, M. (2022, March). The Power of Purpose: Cognitive Therapy for Vocational Attainment. Annual Conference Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts, Virtual Conference. 1-Hour Oral Presentation Workshop.

Mills, M., **Balz, M.**, Price, D. (2021, November). Framing Community Collaborations: Practical Steps to Stronger Practice in Health Literacy. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Washington, DC. 1-Hour Invited Oral Seminar.

Balz, M. & Slater, C.E. (2020, November). Measure, Stir, Zoom! A Virtual Aphasia Cooking Group & Interprofessional Education Experience. AphasiaAccess Virtual Conference. Short Clinical Presentation, Brag & Steal.

Balz, M. & Phillips, R. (2020, November). Practice That Counts & Creative Writing and Artistic Expression: Member-Driven Aphasia Center Programming. Proposal accepted at the Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, San Diego, CA (Convention canceled). 30-Minute Technical Clinical.

Balz, M. (2019, March). Practice That "Counts" - An Aphasia Group All About Numbers. AphasiaAccess Leadership Summit, Baltimore, MD. Poster Presentation.

Hoover, E., **Balz, M.**, Kaplan, J. (2018, November). Asking the Right Questions, Stories from an Aphasia Community. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Boston, MA. 1-Hour Oral Seminar.

Balz, M., Sullivan, S., Woglom, C., Schwartz, A. (2016, November). From Communication Treatment to Dysphagia Management: Comprehensive Care for Adults with Down Syndrome. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Philadelphia, PA. 2-Hour Oral Seminar.

Evan, W., **Balz, M.**, Nalipinski, P., Vega-Barachowitz, C. (2015, October). Opportunities in Transitions: Using a Mandatory Electronic Records Upgrade to Support Future Life Participation Outcomes Tracking. AphasiaAccess Leadership Summit, Boston University, Boston, MA. Poster Presentation.

Balz, M. & Herrmann, D. (2014, November). Facebook, Jeopardy, Texting, and Ordering Coffee: Applying Evidence-Based Practice to Outpatient Aphasia Groups. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Orlando, FL. Poster Presentation.

Balz, M., Garrity, L., Leighton, L., Zipse, L. (2013, November). Self-Awareness of Cognitive Deficits in TBI. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Chicago, IL. Technical Research Presentation.

Balz, M. & Desai, V. (2011, November). A Case Study: A Multidisciplinary Approach for a Complex Patient. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, San Diego, CA. Poster Presentation.

Murphy, E., **Balz, M.**, Kaplan, J. (2009, November). A Multimodal Approach for Community-Based Aphasia Group Therapy. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, New Orleans, LA. Poster Presentation.

Balz, M. & Matthies, M. (2009, November). Using Automatic Speech Recognition with Individuals Who Have Parkinson's Disease. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, New Orleans, LA. Poster Presentation.

Fraas, M. & **Balz, M.** (2005, November). Expressive Electronic Journal Writing: A Brain Injury Patient's Freedom to Communication. Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, San Diego, CA. Poster Presentation.

Invited Lectures and Presentations

2024 *Cognitive Strategies for People with Parkinson's disease and their Close-others.* Virtual care partner support group, sponsored by the American Parkinson Disease Association, MA. Virtual Lecture.

- 2023 *Serving Linguistically Culturally and Diverse Communities Via Strength-Based Clinical Education.* Houston Association for Communication Disorders, Houston, TX. Virtual Lecture.
- 2022 *Cognitive Therapy and Vocational Identity After Brain Injury.* Spaulding Rehabilitation Network Monthly Education Meeting, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Charlestown, MA. Lecture.
- 2021-2023 *Interprofessional Education.* SH 531 Introduction to Speech, Language, Hearing Sciences (Undergraduate course), Sargent College, Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences, Boston University, Boston, MA. Annual Guest Lecture.
- 2020 *A Plan for Using Speech Samples & Video/Virtual Reality in Simulation, Clinical Learning for Speech Language Pathology.* Interprofessional Education Simulation Showcase, Boston University, Boston, MA. Lecture.
- 2017 *Improving Communication and Quality of Life, Cognitive Therapy After Brain Injury.* The Maxwell & Eleanor Blum Patient and Family Learning Center, MGH, Boston, MA. Lecture.
- 2017 *The Effects of Mild Cognitive Deficits at Home and in the Work Place.* MGH Council on Disability Awareness. Lecture.
- 2016 *Let's Talk Loud: A Review of Speech Therapy for PD, Living Well with Parkinson's Disease.* Patient and Caregiver Symposium, MGH Department of Neurology, Charlestown, MA. Lecture.
- 2016 *Dysphagia Management for Adults with Down Syndrome.* MGH Down Syndrome Program, Boston, MA. Lecture.
- 2015-2017 *Annual Summary of the Cognitive Linguistic Intensive Program (CLIP). Brain Aneurysm Support Group for Patients, Caregivers, Family & Friends.* Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA. Lecture.
- 2014 *Traumatic Brain Injury in Our Community, Causes, Symptoms, Treatment & Prevention.* Bunker Hill Community College, Charlestown, MA. Lecture.
- 2013 *Dysphagia to Cognition: Speech Language Pathology and TBI in the Outpatient Setting.* Harvard Medical School PM&R Resident Education Series, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston, MA. Lecture.
- 2012 *Speech Language Pathology and TBI in the Outpatient Setting.* Harvard Medical School PM&R Resident Education Series, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston, MA. Lecture.
- 2010-2012 *Neurology Rounds (Annual presentations).* Speech-Language Pathology Department, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston, MA. Clinical Case Study Presentation.

2010 *Dealing with Dilemma: Even Hollywood Has Problems!* Boston Acquired Brain Injury Support Group (BABIS), Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston, MA. Lecture.

Publications

Mills, M. T., **Balz, M.**, Price, D. (2023). Implementing strength-based dialogue to reframe clinical education and community engagement. *Perspectives of the ASHA Special Interest Groups, SIG 11 Administration and Supervision*, 1-10. https://doi.org/10.1044/2023_PERSP-23-00018

Balz, M. (2009). *Accuracy Levels Using Automatic Speech Recognition Software for Individuals with Parkinson's Disease* (Master's Thesis). Boston University, Sargent College of Rehabilitation Sciences.

Fraas, M. & **Balz, M.** (2007). Expressive electronic journal writing: Freedom of communication for survivors of acquired brain injury. *Journal of Psycholinguistics Research*, 37(2), 115-124.

Fraas, M., **Balz, M.**, DeGrauw, W. (2007). Meeting the long-term needs of adults with acquired brain injury through community-based programming. *Brain Injury*, 21(12), 1267-1281.

Academic and Professional Committees

2021-2022 Committee Member, SLHS Simulation Lab (Sim Lab) Committee. Sargent College, Boston University. Boston, MA.

2021 Committee Member, 2021 National Convention Program Planning Committee: Health Literacy: Optimizing outcomes for individuals, communities and cultures. ASHA. Online Review and Planning.

2020-2022 Reviewer, Sargent Internal Grant Review Committee. Sargent College. Speech, Language & Hearing Science Department, Boston University. Boston, MA.

2019-present Committee Member, Committee on Cultural Humility & Inclusion (CCHI). Speech, Language & Hearing Science Department, Boston University. Boston, MA.

2015-2016 Clinical Documentation Instructor, EPIC Electronic Medical Records Documentation Implementation. MGH Outpatient Speech Language Pathology. Boston, MA.

2015 Committee Member, 2015 National Convention Program Planning Committee: Language Disorders in Adults. ASHA. Online Review and Planning.

2014 Subcommittee Member, EPIC Medical Records Documentation Design and Review. Outpatient Speech Language Pathology Partners Healthcare. Boston, MA.

2013 Committee Member, Constant Therapy SLP Aphasia App Feedback Focus Group. Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital. Boston/Charlestown, MA.

2012-2014 Clinician and Member, Collaboration for Rehabilitation Services. Behavioral Neurology Rounds. Brigham and Woman's Hospital. Boston, MA.

Completed PhD Coursework

Fall22, 23 GERON 688: Multidisciplinary Seminar in Aging (“Pro-Seminar”). University of Massachusetts Boston, Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences. 1 credit (2 of 3 credits)

Fall23 GERON GR 601: Research Methods and Experimental Design. University of Massachusetts Boston, Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences. 3 credits

Spr23 GERON 604: Statistical Methods in the Analysis of Social Problems II. University of Massachusetts Boston, Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences. 3 credits

Spr23 GERON 628: Psychology of Aging. University of Massachusetts Boston, Department of Gerontology, Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences. 3 credits

Fall22 GERO GERON 603: Statistical Methods in the Analysis of Social Problems I. University of Massachusetts Boston, Department of Gerontology, John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies. 3 credits.

Spr21 GMS BN 780: Behavioral and Biological Aspects of Stress and Trauma. Boston University, School of Medicine, Graduate Medical Sciences. 2 credits.

Fall20 GMS BN 775: Human Neuropsychology I. Boston University, School of Medicine, Graduate Medical Sciences. 4 credits.

Spr20 GMS BN 776: Human Neuropsychology II. Boston University, School of Medicine, Graduate Medical Sciences. 4 credits.

Service

2023 Reviewer, *Perspectives of the ASHA Special Interest Groups, SIG 20*. Editor Anthony DiLollo, PhD, CCC-SLP

2023 Reviewer, *America Journal of Speech-Language Pathology*. Editor Tamiko Azuma, PhD

2022 Reviewer, *America Journal of Speech-Language Pathology*. Editor Brent Archer, PhD, CCC-SLP

2022-2023 Committee Member, Clinical Track Search Committee for Simulation Director, BU, Sargent College. Boston, MA.

2021 Committee Member, Tenure Track Search Committee for Assistant Professor, BU, SLHS Department. Boston, MA.

2017-2020 Member, Adult Comprehensive Exams Committee, BU, SLHS Department. Boston, MA.

- 2010, 2011 Committee Member, Heads Held High, Brain Injury Awareness Annual Walk. Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital. Boston, MA.
- 2009-2015 Planning Committee Member, Web Designer/Manager, BABIS Group. Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital. Boston, MA.

Licensure

- 2020-present Maine State License, Speech-Language Pathology
- 2010-present Massachusetts State License, Speech-Language Pathology
- 2010-present Certification of Clinical Competence, American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

Certifications and Trainings

- 2021 SPEAK OUT! Parkinson Voice Project, Provider Certification, Online
- 2014, 2016 Lee Silverman Voice Treatment (LSVT) Certification, New Britain, CT

Professional Affiliations

- 2018-present Member, AphasiaAccess
- 2023-present Member, ASHA Special Interest Division 20, Counseling
- 2018-present Member, ASHA Special Interest Division 15, Gerontology
- 2011-present Member, ASHA Special Interest Division 2, Neurogenic Communication Disorders
- 2010-present Member, American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)