

Professional Activities 2007-2008

Faculty of the Special Education Division



**Division of Special Education
Professional Activities
2007-08**

Publications

Bersani, H., Jr., Rotholz, D. A., Eidelman, S. M., Pierson, J. L., Bradley, V. J., Gomez, S. C., Havercamp, S. M., Silverman, W. P., Yeager, M. H., Morin, D., Wehmeyer, M. L., Carabello, B. J., & Croser, D. (2007). *Unjustifiable non-therapy: Response to the Issue of growth attenuation for young people on the basis of disability*. Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, 45, No. 5, 351–353.

Bersani, H. *The Past is prologue: "MR" go gentle into that good night*. Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, 45, No. 6, 399–404.

Davis, C., Atcherson, S.R., Johnson, M.L. (2007). *Demystifying Hearing Assistance Technology: A guide for service providers and consumers*. PEPNet West, National Center on Deafness, California State University: Northridge, CA

Davis, C. & Leonard, A. (2007). *The Transition Competence Battery: Your key to evaluation*. Odyssey 8(1), 6-9.

Davis, C. (2007, October). *New Hearing Loss Educational Materials for VR Professionals from PEPNet*. National Training Conference on Rehabilitation Education. Washington, D.C.

Keller, L. Reader/Editor, (May, 2008), 34th National Institute on Rehabilitation Issues, "When Joni Comes Marching Home...and Back to Work"; *Linking VA and State VR Services for Our Service men and women*; Prepared in conjunction with The U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration, The Council of State Administration of Vocational Rehabilitation, and The George Washington University Center for Rehabilitation Counseling Research and Education

Smith J., Keller L., and Hoover, S., (Monograph to be available July, 2008), Preparing for the Next Generation: Collaboration between VR Agencies and Graduate Programs for Evaluation of Rehabilitation Counseling Students. A national training conference for state coordinators and related professionals serving persons who are Deaf, Deaf-Blind, Hard of Hearing & Late Deafened.

Presentations

International and National

Bersani, H. (February 3, 2008) Where do we go from here? Lessons for family advocates. Presented at the family Leadership conference of the Arkansas Governors Council on Developmental Disabilities. Little Rock, Arkansas.

Bersani, H. (September 14, 2007) [La cambiante definición de discapacidad intelectual y conducta adaptada](#). The changing definition of intellectual disability and adaptive behavior. Presented at the 3rd International Congress "Entre Educación y Salud" ("In between Education and Health") organized by "Instituto Superior Dr. Domingo Cabred", Córdoba, Argentina.

Bersani, H. (September 14, 2007) [Auto-defensa/gestión y Auto-determinación de las personas con Discapacidades Intelectuales](#). Self-advocacy and self-determination for people with intellectual disabilities. Presented at the 3rd International Congress "Entre Educación y Salud" ("In between Education and Health") organized by "Instituto Superior Dr. Domingo Cabred", Córdoba, Argentina.

Bersani, H. (August 6, 2007) [Leadership: Structuring the School for Inclusion](#). Presented at the Second Annual Arcadia Annual Institute on Inclusion (AAII-II). Arcadia University.

Bersani, H. (July 26, 2007) [Assistive Technology and Self-Determinations: implications for the future](#). Presented at the Texas Chapter of the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Galveston, Texas.

Bersani, H. (July 26, 2007) [Key note address: The state of the field](#). Presented at the Texas Chapter of the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Galveston, Texas.

Brownbridge, B. (November 10, 2007) [Online Data Gathering, Analysis & Use to Improve Special Educator Training](#); presentation at the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC): Teacher Education Division (TED) 2007 Conference: Reflecting on the Past: Envisioning the Future, an international conference for teacher-educators, Hyatt Regency, Milwaukee, WI.

Davis, C. (2008, February). [Demystifying Hearing Assistance Technology. Day-long training for service professionals](#). University of Montana, Missoula.

Davis, C. & Atcherson, S.R. (2008, April). [Serving Hard of Hearing Students: Interpreting documentation, understanding functional impact, and providing appropriate accommodations](#). Postsecondary Education Programs Network, Columbus, Ohio.

Brenner, D. Watson, D., & **Davis, C.**, (2008, April). [College Students who are Hard of Hearing: A national task force publication on addressing service models of an underserved population](#). Preconference Session. Postsecondary Education Programs Network, Columbus, Ohio.

Keller, L., and Smith, J., (February 16, 2008) [Evaluation is Preparation for the Profession](#). The 8th Annual National Rehabilitation Counselor Educators Conference, San Antonio, Texas.

Smith J., Rosenblad, B., and Hoover, S. (June 4, 2008) [Preparing for the Next Generation: Collaboration between VR Agencies and Graduate Programs for Evaluation of Rehabilitation Counseling Students](#). A national training conference for state coordinators and related professionals serving individuals who are Deaf, Deaf-Blind, Hard of Hearing and Late Deafened.

Smith, A., (October 6, 2007) Demand-Control Schema for Interpreters, Auburn, California

Smith, A., (October 11-12, 2007), Infusing Demand-Control Schema in to Your Curriculum: FIPSE Year one training, Overland Park, Kansas (Johnson County Community College) and January 11-12, 2008 in Fremont, California (Ohlone College).

Smith, A., (May 2-4, 2008) Infusing Demand-Control Schema in to Interpreter Education Curriculum: FIPSE Year two training, Monmouth, OR; Colleges in attendance included: Mt. San Antonio College, Ontario, CA; Johnson County Community College; Overland Park, KS; and Ohlone College, Fremont, CA; Portland Community College; and WOU.

State and Regional

Bersani, H. (July 3, 2007) Independence, interdependence, and S-D: Implications for teachers, parents and teenagers. Presented at the Korea Institute on Special Education workshop, Monmouth, Oregon.

Bersani, H. (October 12, 2007) What interpreters need to know about Special Education. A half-day workshop for ASL and spoken language interpreters sponsored by the Language Door, Portland, Oregon.

Brownbridge, B., Pardew, M., Bersani, H., & Scarlato, M. (December 3, 2007) Special Education Recruitment Seminar, Werner University Center, WOU.

Bersani, H. (February 13, 2008) Government and disability: Federal legislation and services for people with disabilities. Presented to Oregon Health and Sciences Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine.

Duren, D. (May 31, 2008) Mentoring with ASL Teachers, a workshop on "Mentoring with ASL Teachers", Portland, OR.

Hall, CM, (August 2008; 8 days)—Trainer with Western's Service Learning office; An Alternative Break Service Learning trip with Deaf-Blind adults, Seabeck, WA; WRIEC goal to do outreach with the Deaf-Blind population and it fulfills academic and service learning experiences for Western students.

Keller, L. (September 7-9, 2007) Adjustment to Loss after Breast Cancer. Presentation and Retreat Leader/Counselor, Casting for Recovery Retreat, Elkton, Oregon.

Keller, L. (October 12-14, 2007) Adjustment to Loss after Breast Cancer. Presentation and Retreat Leader/Counselor, Casting for Recovery Retreat, Bend, Oregon.

Keller, L. (April 5, 2008) Panelist presenter, A Parent's Perspective on the Transition Process for Young Adults with Autism: Moving from School to Adult Environments; workshop on Secondary Transition and Community Based Instruction.

Elisa Maroney (November 2, 2007) Ed: K-12 Certification: Moving Forward, Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment, Portland Community College, Office of Disability Services.

Elisa Maroney (November 15, 2007) Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment, Northwest Regional ESD, Hillsboro, Oregon.

Elisa Maroney (February 1, 2008) Discourse Mapping in Educational Settings: Preparation and Production, Lane Regional Program, Eugene, Oregon.

Elisa Maroney (February 15, 2008) Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment, Portland Community College Sign Language Interpreting Program.

Maroney and Ramirez-Loudenback (March 18, 2008), Engaging ASL/English Interpreting Students in Service Learning, Continuums of Service Conference, Portland, Oregon.

Elisa Maroney (April 14-15, 2008) Prosodic Features in Educational Discourse, High Desert ESD, Bend, Oregon.

Professional Service Duties

International and National

Hank Bersani

- Advisor for a program in Armenia regarding staff training of residential service workers
- Guest consultant to the nation of Qatar at their new Shafalla Center for youth with intellectual disabilities
- American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) Board Member, Office of Immediate Past President
- Board Liaison to Diagnostic Adaptive Behavior Scale Committee, Chair of nominations and elections committee
- Board member, Empowerment Network Incorporated. (ENI)
- Editorial Board member and reviewer: Journal of Religion, Disability, and Health;
- Editorial Board member and reviewer: Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- Field reviewer for: Remedial and Special Education

Robert Brownbridge

- Member, Council for Exceptional Children (CEC): Division for Learning Disabilities (DLD); Teacher Education Division (TED); Council for Children with Behavior Disorders (CCBD); Council for Educational Diagnostic Services (CEDS); Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE)

Cheryl Davis

- Member, PEPNet Hard of Hearing Taskforce

Deborah Duren

- Member, American Sign Language Teacher Association (ASLTA)

Linda Keller

- Member, National Council on Rehabilitation Education (NCRE)
- Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE) Trained Site Reviewer (1996-present)
- Participant, Teachers for a New Era, Learning Network Institutions - "A Framework for Measuring and Reporting Progress II" (October 29-31, 2007), Denver, CO
- Counselor/Consultant, Casting for Recover, a national non-profit organization that provides fly fishing retreats for breast cancer survivors

Elisa Maroney

- Commission on Collegiate Interpreter Education, Commissioner
- Member, Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf/Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment Certification Task Force

Julia Smith

- Member, National Council on Rehabilitation Education
- Member, American Deafness and Rehabilitation Association

State and Regional**Hank Bersani**

- Member, Higher Education Council, Oregon

Robert Brownbridge

- President, Board of Directors, Poyama Day Treatment & Counseling [for Children/Youth and Families with Emotional & Behavioral Disabilities], Independence, Oregon 97351
- Member, Oregon Cooperative Council for the Development of Professionals in Special Education (Higher Education Council).

Cheryl Davis

- Member, State Rehabilitation Council [Appointment by Governor]
- Member, State Rehabilitation Council Executive Committee
- Advisory board member, Oregon Public Utility Commission Telecommunication Device Access Program. [Appointment by Governor]
- Member, Hearing Loss Association of Oregon Board

Linda Keller

- Task Force Member, Oregon Office of Mental Health and Addictions Services (2005-07)

Elisa Maroney

- Educational Interpreter Working Group (Oregon Coalition on Education D/HOH)
- Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment, Local Test Administrator

Mickey Pardew

- Board member, Northwest Autism Foundation; Involved in a number of projects and subcommittees for planning state and national intervention programs.
- Member, statewide working group: Open Community Form on Autism - sponsored by the American Association of Pediatricians; open discussion of the medical treatments and educational intervention for children and families.
- Subcommittee member of the Open Community Forum on Autism (formed in January of 2008); addressed evaluation systems used for assessment and eligibility of children with autism in preparation for legislative action
- Evaluator of Oregon Department of Education Authorization process for Early Intervention Specialists
- Board member, Polk Adolescent Day Treatment Center; Advising the program director through monthly meetings.
- Member, Higher Education Council for Special Educator and EI/ECSE programs in Oregon University Systems.

BJ Rosenblad

- Member, Region X Representatives, Educators, & Administrators Council

Mary Scarlato

- Consultant, Dallas School District Corrective Reading Implementation in middle and elementary schools.
- Oregon Higher Education Council Member and Subcommittee Member proposing revisions to Oregon Administrative Rules Special Educator Endorsement Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
- Appointee to Pacific University Special Educator Program Evaluation Team

Julia Smith

- Member, Region X Representatives, Educators, & Administrators Council (ongoing)
- Board Member, Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists [Appointment by Governor] (2006 to present)
- Executive Board Member, Connections Program Advisory Board, Salem, Oregon

Conferences Organized**Bersani, Hank**

June 26 – July 5, 2007, Special Education Workshop on Collaboration and Participation. (Intensive summer workshop for 35 Korean nationals at WOU – including 10 youth with developmental disabilities). (Contract for \$75,000).

Debi Duren

June 7, 2008, Organized a training workshop for ASL teachers with Keith Cagle, a nationally recognized leader in ASL Studies.

Elisa Maroney

July 5-8, 2007, Organized workshop on Foundations of Interpreting I and II with the Betty Colonomos

March 7, 2008, Organized event: An Evening with Raymond Luczak

Grants Received**Hank Bersani**

- Category, Major Project/Research Award, Faculty Development Grant

Robert Brownbridge

- **Awarded a Woodcock-Muñoz Foundation Assessment Grant** to purchase new/additional test batteries: Woodcock-Johnson III Tests of Achievement Form C – Brief Battery (WJ-III Ach C: BB); Woodcock-Muñoz Bateria III: Pruebas de Aprovechamiento (WMB:PA-III); Woodcock-Muñoz Language Survey – Revised
- Additional funding from the Woodcock-Muñoz Foundation may be available to plan and host a statewide training session (08-09) on use of the Woodcock-Johnson Achievement Battery, Woodcock-Muñoz Bateria III and the Woodcock-Muñoz Language Survey – Revised (WMLS-R) to assess English Language Learners (ELL) for eligibility determination for special education and related services

Cheryl Davis

- Rehabilitation Services Administration H129Q080001: Long-term Training: Rehabilitation of Individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (CDFA 84.129Q). Rehabilitation Counseling with Deaf and Hard of Hearing Adults. \$500,000 over 5 years. 9/2009-8/2013. Project Director: Cheryl Davis. Scores: 99, 99, 98.
- Grant submitted: Office of Special Education Programs H325K080215: Combined Personnel Preparation (CDFA 84.325K) Focus Area B: Training Personnel to Serve School Age Children with Low –incidence disabilities. *ASL English Interpreting Bachelor Degree*. 1,000,000 over 4 years. 9/2009-8/2012. Project Director: Cheryl Davis. Submitted January 11, 2008. *Results pending*. Elisa Maroney and Amanda Smith assisted Cheryl with finalizing the grant prior to its submittal.

Mickey Pardew

- Category, Major Project/Research Award, Faculty Development Grant

Mary Scarlato

- Category Faculty Development Grant, Faculty Development Course Release for Scholarly work: Fall 2008

Joe Sendelbaugh

- Lead Researcher for the Rehabilitation Counselor Education (RCE) graduate program's five year Rehabilitation Services (RSA) long term training grant (2008-2113), funded at \$750,000. These funds will cover approximately \$3000 toward tuition cost per term per student scholar. Julia Smith and Linda Keller assisted Joe with finalizing the grant prior to its submittal.

Awards

Cheryl Davis

- Awarded promotion to full Professor

Hank Bersani

- College of Education Mentor Award

Elisa Maroney

- Awarded two new certifications: 1) the American Sign Language Teachers Association Qualified Certification and 2) the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Ed: K-12 Certification

Mary Scarlato

- Selected by the Northwest Council on Study Abroad to serve on the site evaluation team for Siena, Italy Study Abroad Program. March 2009.
- Nominated to Serve on National NCATE Review Team

Amanda Smith

- College of Education Mentor Program Completion

Professional Activities

Institutional Activities

Hank Bersani

- Academic Infrastructure Committee (AIC) member
- Sexual Harassment Committee member
- Library and Media Services Dean Search committee
- Jensen Arctic Museum, Board of directors
- University Disability Awareness Committee
- Member, ad hoc taskforce with university Computing Services to finalize the ASL/Language lab

Robert Brownbridge

- Member, WOUFT Collective Bargaining Team

Cheryl Davis

- Curriculum Committee
- University Special Admissions Committee
- Disability Services Director Search Committee

Debi Duren

- ASL Club Advisor

CM Hall

- WOU Safe Zone Ally Project
- Member for Campus Pride's LGBT Summer Leadership Institute

Linda Keller

- Dewey/Smith Awards Selection Committee
- Who's Who Selection Committee

Elisa Maroney

- Coordinator, ASL English/Interpreting Program
- Senator, Faculty Senate
- Chair, Committee on Committees
- Academic Excellence Planning Committee
- PURE Executive Committee

Mickey Pardew

- Graduate Studies Committee
- Sexual Harassment Resource Guide

Mary C. Scarlato

- Faculty Development Committee SpEd Representative
- Institutional Review Board SpEd Representative
- Student Financial Aide and Scholarship Committee
- Provost Search Committee
- Center for Improving Teacher Quality

Amanda Smith

- National Field Consultant, FIPSE Grant: Optimizing and Disseminating Proven Reforms in Interpreter Education through University of Rochester Medical Center, Deaf Wellness Center

Julia Smith

- Graduate Studies Committee
- Disability Services Director Search Committee

College of Education/Special Education Division Activities

Bersani, H., Brownbridge, B., Keller, L., Pardew, M., Rosselli, H., and Scarlato, M., (January 8, 2008) Recruitment Seminar with Salem-Keizer SD personnel; a 90-minute meeting to formulate a partnership with Salem-Keizer SD to train 7 – 10 educational assistants to become licensed special educators. Salem-Keizer SD subsequently determined they would provide partial funding to 3 admitted students in the 07-09 cohort and 7-8 prospective students in the 08-10 cohort. Funding would be approximately \$5,000 - 10,000 for each student.

Hank Bersani

- Division PRC committee member
- Division Executive Committee
- Chair, ASL Studies tenure track search committee
- Language Lab planning workgroup
- Member of NCATE/TSPC Reaccreditation Preparation Committee for COE
- Guest lectures in Diversity class, fall 2007 (two classes)
- Guest lecture in Ed 100
- COE Peer Mentor – Amanda Smith

Robert Brownbridge

- WOU College of Education Assessment Coordinator Search Committee
- WOU College of Education Assessment Committee
- Co-coordinator, Special Educator Program
- Member of NCATE/TSPC Reaccreditation Preparation Committee for COE
- COE Assessment Committee
- Division Executive Committee
- Special Educator Advisory Council Chair
- Member & chair, Division of Special Education Online Application

Debi Duren

- Coordinator, ASL Studies
- ASL Studies Program Advisory Council Chair
- Division Executive Committee
- Special Education Division Budget and Resources Committee
- Member, ASL Studies tenure track search committee
- Preview Day, February 16, 2008

Cheryl Davis

- Chair & Directors Committee
- Division Executive Committee
- Portfolio committee one TPD student
- Special Education: Budget Committee
- Special Education: Executive Committee
- COE: Assessment Council
- Preview Day, February 2, 2008

CM Hall

- Preview Day, January 26 and May 3, 2008
- SOAR, June 27, 2008

Linda Keller

- Chair, College of Education Peer Mentoring Committee
- Coordinated, COE February 14th Faculty Swap and Share
- Lead developer of the COE New Faculty notebooks: “Campus Resources” and “On-line Resources”
- College of Education Chair & Directors Committee
- College of Education Consortium
- Chair, Division of Special Education
- Division Personnel Review Committee
- Division Executive Committee
- Chair, Special Education Division Budget and Resources Committee
- Committee Chair for Master’s Portfolio, Rehabilitation Counseling Education
- Member of NCATE/TSPC Reaccreditation Preparation Committee for COE
- Member of CORE Team – Assisted Rehabilitation Counseling Education program in preparation for CORE (Council on Rehabilitation Education) reaccreditation visit (March 2008).
- SOAR, July 13, 14 and 28, 2007; July 26, 2008
- Faculty Observations of Mary Scarlato, Beverly Canon, and Julia Smith

Elisa Maroney

- Coordinator, ASL English/Interpreting Program
- Language Lab planning workgroup
- Division Personnel Review Committee
- Division Executive Committee
- ASL Interpreting Program Advisory Council Chair
- Chair, ASL/EI tenure track search committee
- Preview Day, January 26, 2008
- SOAR, July 12, 2008
- Interpreting & Sign Language Professional Job Fair, Portland Community College, May, 2008
- Assisted Dr. Davis with writing a Grant (submitted January; results still pending): Office of Special Education Programs H325K080215: Combined Personnel Preparation (CDFA 84.325K) Focus Area B: Training Personnel to Serve School Age Children with Low – incidence disabilities. *ASL English Interpreting Bachelor Degree*

Mickey Pardew

- Co-coordinator, Special Educator Program
- Member of NCATE/TSPC Reaccreditation Preparation Committee for COE
- Policy Analysis Review Committee (PARC)-
- Division Personnel Review Committee

- Division Executive Committee
- Chair, Special Education Curriculum Committee
- Early Intervention Advisory Council Chair
- Guest lecture in Ed 100
- Faculty Observation of BJ Rosenblad (1/08)
- Chair of four Professional Portfolio committees (Spring 2008)

BJ Rosenblad

- Committee Chair - Master's Portfolio, Rehabilitation Counseling Education
- Member of CORE Team – Assisted Rehabilitation Counseling Education program in preparation for CORE (Council on Rehabilitation Education) reaccreditation visit (March 2008)
- Committee Chair - Master's Portfolio, Rehabilitation Counseling Education
- Conducted on-campus presentations to recruit RCE applicants: psychology club, SEP program and a health class
- Worked in collaboration with Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation Services to continue providing stipends to RCE student interns

Mary C. Scarlato

- College of Education Consortium
- Member of NCATE/TSPC Reaccreditation Preparation Committee for COE
- Committee Chair - Master's Thesis, Special Education
- Special Education Division Budget and Resources Committee
- Led in development of Final Professional Portfolio process & evaluation rubric
- Produced drafts of Special Educator Program Policies and Procedures
- Acquisition of gratis (\$500) Curriculum Materials from SRA-McGraw Hill
- Reviewed teaching curriculum materials to purchase teaching supplies (\$2000)
- Prepared students for Academic Excellence presentations & Portfolio presentations
- Continued revision of course content and delivery for SpEd 616, 620, 622, 625, 628, 607 (Academic Field Experience Seminar), 607 (Low Incidence Field Experience)
- Special Education Program Advisory Committee Member
- TSPC Higher Education Council WOU Representative: with higher education special education statewide colleagues collaboratively revised and submitted to TSPC for consideration, new special educator licensure requirements/standards

Carl Schroeder

- SOAR, June 27, July 11, July 12 and July 26, 2008

Joe Sendelbaugh

- Committee Chair - Master's Portfolio, Rehabilitation Counseling Education
- Member of CORE Team – Assisted Rehabilitation Counseling Education program in preparation for CORE (Council on Rehabilitation Education) reaccreditation visit (March 2008)
- Preview Day, May 2, 2008

Amanda Smith

- Special Education Division Budget and Resources Committee
- Preview Day, April 12, 2008
- SOAR, July 11, 2008

Julia Smith

- Member/Chair - Division Personnel Review Committee
- Special Education Division Budget and Resources Committee
- Coordinator, Rehabilitation Counselor Education Program
- Committee Chair - Master's Portfolio, Rehabilitation Counseling Education
- RCE Program Advisory Council Chair
- Lead member of CORE Team – Assisted Rehabilitation Counseling Education program in preparation for CORE (Council on Rehabilitation Education) reaccreditation visit (March 2008).
- Chair, RCE faculty Search Committee
- Recruited and Mentored 11 adjunct faculty for RCE program
- Mentored full time adjunct on RSA grant activities
- Supervised RCE Assistant, hired January, 2008
- Preview Day, May 2, 2008

Local and Community Professional Activities**Bob Brownbridge**

- WOUFT Bargaining Committee member
- OUFT Steward

Linda Keller

- Consultant, Salem Hospital Peer Mentoring Program for breast cancer patients
- Salem YWCA Breast Cancer Support Group Facilitator

Mickey Pardew

- Member of committee for the GEM Center for Children with Special Healthcare Needs associated with the Salem Hospital. Met in 1/08 to help plan.