



CSD Newsletter



April-May 2011

Undergraduate Final Exam Schedule

Tuesday, April 26th

Articulation/Phonology 2-4 pm

Wednesday, April 27th

Anatomy & Physiology: 8-10 am

Clinical Methods: 12-2 pm

ASL II: 6-8 pm

Thursday, April 28th

Aural Rehab: 10 am-12 pm

Articulation & Phonological Disorders: 2-4pm

Friday, April 30th

Hearing Science: 12-2pm

Monday, May 2nd

Speech Science 6-8 pm

Clinic Announcements

- Clinic observations will be ending on Thursday, April 7th.
- Clinic ends on April 19th.
- Clinic assignments will be distributed on April 26th.

Department Dinner

The annual department dinner will be held on **Friday April 15rd** from **3-5pm** at the **Eagle Hose Company Firehouse** in Dickson City. (Approx. 5 minutes from campus)

*Please be on the lookout for carpool opportunities so everyone is able to attend!

Spring Clinic Party

The spring clinic party will held on **April 8th** from **3:30 -5 pm**.

Sign-ups are posted on the prep room door.

Upcoming Junior Class Meetings

April 8th

1-2 pm: Diagnostic Meeting

9:30-12 pm: Typhon Training

April 15th

10-11 am: Diagnostic Manual Meeting

11-12 pm: FA Manual Meeting

1-2 pm: Clinic meeting for Juniors and 1st year Grads



IN THE EYES OF...

A freshman....

Our first year of college is almost done and wow did it go fast! We have gained so much knowledge from all our speech classes this year! As for this semester, Speech Science and Anatomy are going well. We recently got back our Speech Science midterms and it was good to hear that we all did well. As we finish up the semester we now have to begin to prepare for our final in a few weeks. We never knew how many muscles you needed to speak or swallow but thanks to Ms. Novak and our Anatomy class now we do! With all of this work we have ahead of us we do have something to look forward to, our first department dinner! Study hard and hopefully the semester ends well!

- *Kristen Angst*

A sophomore...

As the last few weeks of the semester seem to fly by there's a lot the sophomore class has to do! This Thursday we're presenting our journal articles in Articulation and Phonological Disorder, something we're excited (and a little nervous) about. We got a big surprise in Hearing Science when Dr. Pagotto bought in slinkies for all of us to learn about condensation and rarefaction which was not only fun but definitely helped with our exam on Friday! In Language Disorders in Children we're all working on our language sample projects and our group article presentations. We're all really excited for the clinic party and the department dinner! Good luck to everyone in the last few weeks! Enjoy the spring weather and remember summer is right around the corner!

- *Kelsey Dunn*

A junior...

Hope everyone's semester is going well. It's hard to believe it's almost over already! The juniors are getting ready to hand in observation hours. In clinical methods we just received our project assignments for our "first" therapy session which means clinic is rapidly approaching. We also just had our second Aural Rehab test and now we're learning about aural rehab for adults. Everyone finish out these next few weeks strong because break and finals will be here before we know it!

- *Tanisha Dorner*

First Year Grad...

Cohort 4 cannot believe that the semester is almost over already. I can truly say as a whole we are all very excited and we are welcoming the summer and warm weather with open arms. Classes and clients, as usual, are keeping us very busy, with our happy quizzes for Dr. Wisenburn, and our presentations for Ms. Medeiros and Vijay. We are learning more about pediatric and adult motor disorders, with new therapy and assessment techniques from Dr. Wisenburn and Ms. Medeiros. Vijay is keeping us busy trying to figure out who belongs to which dialect. We also had our very first voice disorders class, which was very interesting. We are continuing to learn more and more about research methods which has definitely come in handy for our article synthesis for Ms. Medeiros. Those of us who are in diagnostics, are finally getting a chance to breath, while the rest of us are holding for dear life hoping that we can tackle it with the grace that the rest of our cohort has. We wish you all the best of

luck with finals and such, as the semester finally comes to a close.
-*Colleen McDonald*

Second Year Grad...

So go figure the most emotional one of the group when it comes to this is writing our last in the eyes of! I already have my waterproof mascara on. That being said, here it goes. The past five years have been some of the hardest, longest, and most rewarding years of our lives. I think it's safe to say we have enough inside jokes between us to last another five years plus. We've also consumed enough Dunkin Donuts coffee to last a lifetime, just saying. Whether we were working hard/stressing in the prep room, eating brain cake, drawing Willis spiders, wondering where on Earth the pronoun parade cards were, or out for a night on the town together dancing to "Party in the USA" (sign language included), we always seemed to have a good time and be there for each other when we all had our "bad days". No matter where we go in the future, we'll all take a little bit of our CSD family with us. I for one can't even hear the word Iowa without thinking "Go Hawkeyes", so thank you Dr. Wisenburn. To the professors, supervisors, adjunct faculty, etc. who got us to where we are today, thank you; we couldn't have done it without you! To the younger classes remaining in the program: good luck and stay positive; trust us, it's worth it! And here's to us: Kelly, Nick, Gabby, Nicole, Leanne, Kim, Kellee, Megan, Jill, Christina, Kaitlyn, Moira, Morgan, Laura, and myself; the first class to graduate from the five year program.....WE DID IT!
-*Julianne Szostak*

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Happy Birthday Wishes!

April

Julianne Szostak 4/7- 2nd year grad
Stephanie Zloylut- 4/8 sophomore
Amanda Clauser 4/12- 1st year grad
Matt Devivo 4/13- freshman
Danielle Brueningsen 4/14 - freshman
Megan Healey- 4/14- sophomore
Christina Mennella 4/20 junior
Christina Dixon 4/24- sophomore
Alyssa Crum 4/24- sophomore
Allison Melvin 4/28 junior

May

Megan Hartpence- 5/3- 2nd year grad
Jillian Jones 5/4- 2nd year grad
Mary-Christine Vignole 5/9
Bridget Mileski -5/15- junior
Karen Buckley- 5/20 sophomore
Christina Mastrolembo 5/22- 2nd year grad
Katie Sullivan- 5/25- freshman
Moira Pope 5/27- 2nd year grad
Katherine Deturk 5/29- freshman
Emily Fillman 5/30- junior

The Hooding Ceremony for Undergraduate students will be May 7, 2011 at 2pm and at 11am for all Graduate students

Graduation will be held at the Mohegan Sun Arena in Wilkes-Barre, PA. May 8th, 2011

Congratulations to all!

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Good luck all Spring sport athletes especially MU Girls Softball members Meghan Palmer, Chelsea Zimmerman and MU Girls Lacrosse member Mary-Christine Vignola!

Congratulations to Jenna Beim, Bridget Mileski, Christina Salvo, Danielle Gerrato, and Amanda Petronio for presenting at Ithaca's National Conference on Undergraduate Research!

Congratulations to Danielle Boucher who will be presenting her research at the PSHA convention!

Good luck to all students transitioning in the 5-year program!

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Interview with the 2nd Year Graduate Students

A look at some of their placements and plans for the future!

Finishing up the second placement is surreal. Currently I'm looking for jobs. It's not hard to find a speech pathology position; however, I'm finding it harder than I thought to find the perfect job for me. I have another job interview lined up, and a couple calls in to different therapy companies, so I'm excited to see what they're like.

Fall semester I was at Golden Living Center-East Mountain in Wilkes-Barre, which is a nursing home. I spent a lot of time with patients who had Dementia, and found myself doing a lot of cognitive-linguistic therapy as well as dysphagia management. I enjoyed the nursing home, but I realize now that the geriatric population isn't who I really want to focus on. This semester I'm at

NEIU #19, and I'm really enjoying the time I spend with the kids. A lot of them have diagnoses of Autism, a few are apraxic, some are medically fragile or more involved, and they use AAC devices. It's really interesting how varied these children can be, and how therapy really has to be individualized to treat these children. It makes you use that creative part of your brain.

While Marywood prepared me for my placements, my internships really taught me essential hands-on knowledge that I'll be able to use for the rest of my career. My placements have also allowed me to meet a variety of professionals who I can rely on if I have questions about a client, or a particular way to approach a therapeutic technique.

- Kelly Adgie

My placement right now is at Helen Hayes Hospital in West Haverstraw, NY (Rockland County). It is an acute rehabilitation facility, with both inpatient and outpatient rehab services. I work primarily with inpatients, from the

stroke unit, traumatic brain injury unit, spinal cord injury unit, and occasionally some patients from the cardiac floor. I have seen a ton of different disorders/injuries and severity levels from all the patients I've seen so far, most definitely the more medical side of SLP. It is an intense work day and I am always busy going from patient to patient, but it's a great experience! I've even had the opportunity to be scoped with FEES! This is where they put a scope through your nose to look into the pharynx and laryngeal areas! I am thoroughly enjoying my final semester as a student working at this facility!

As for future plans, I am looking into working at a facility similar to this one possibly in New York City somewhere.

- Kim Flanagan

Interview by: Lauren Rustad