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Curriculum Vitae

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California State University, Fresno

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EDUCATION**University of North Texas**—Denton, Texas

Ph.D., Higher Education

Southern Methodist University—Dallas, Texas

M.Ed., ESL and Literacy Education

Baylor University—Waco, Texas

B. A., Communication Sciences and Disorders/Deaf Education Track

Honors College – Baylor Interdisciplinary Core

PUBLICATIONS

Johnson, S. (2023). How I Got Over: Reflections on using cultural capital to earn tenure in S. Cupid and A. Tomlin (Eds.) *Black Experiences in Higher Education: Faculty, Staff, and Students*. Information Age Publishing.

Smith-Warshaw, J. & Johnson, S. (2022). Serving the Deaf Community in J. Hironaka-Juteau, S. Lankford (Eds.) *Interprofessional Collaboration in Parks, Recreation, and Human Services*. Sagamore-Venture Publishing.

Johnson, S., Stapleton, L., Berrett, B. (2020). Deaf Community Cultural Wealth in Community College Students. *Journal of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education*, 25(4), 438-446.

Johnson, S. (2020). Interpreting the Data. *The Qualitative Report*, 25(12).

Johnson, S. G., & Fann, A. (2016). Deaf and hard of hearing students' perceptions of campus administrative support. *Community College Journal of Research and Practice*, 40(4), 243-253.

Johnson, S. (2015) [Review of *Reading and deafness: Research, theory, and practice* by Trezek, Beverly; Wang, Ye; & Paul, Peter.] *Education Review*, 14. Available from <http://www.edrev.info/reviews/rev1093.pdf>

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2023 OSEP Grant Reviewer

- 2022 OSEP Grant Reviewer
- 2021 OSEP Grant Reviewer
- 2020 Fresno State Chancellor's Office Research and Scholarly Activity Grant
- 2017 Educational Interpreter Preparation Program Grant—Project Director
- 2014 University of North Texas
College of Education Dissertation Research Award
- 2013 Funder: Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services
Institution: Deaf Action Center
Amount: \$2.2 million
- 2010 University of North Texas Raupe Travel Grant
- 2009 Maguire & Irby Family Foundation Public Service Fellowship

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Fresno State President's Leadership Academy 2019-2020
- Fresno State President's Mentoring Program
- Gates Millennium Scholar

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 Onward Upward?: Opportunities and Obstacles for Deaf Community College Students. Association for the Study of Higher Education. Virtual Meeting.
- 2019 Deaf Faculty in Academia: Using Community Cultural Wealth to Traverse Higher Education. Association for the Study of Higher Education. Portland, Oregon.
- 2019 Deaf Community Cultural wealth among Community College Students. American Education Research Association. Toronto, Ontario.
- 2019 The Impossibility of Being the Right Kind of Black Woman in the Academy. American Education Research Association. Toronto, Ontario.
- 2017 The Future Directions of the Deaf Studies Program at Fresno State. National Black Deaf Advocates Baltimore, Maryland.
- 2017 Deaf Friendly in the Mainstream. California Educators of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Conference. Pasadena, California.
- 2016 Quality Learning and Teaching: Developing Online Course Content in Deaf Studies. Association of College Educators-Deaf & Hard of Hearing. New York, New York.
- 2016 The Future Directions of the Deaf Studies Program at Fresno State. California State Educators of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Conference. Fresno, California
- 2013 Silent No More: The Experiences of Deaf Students in Community College. Association for Higher Education and Disability. Baltimore, Maryland.

2012 *Silent Voices: Deaf Students in Community College*. Association for the Study of Higher Education. Las Vegas, Nevada.

2012 *Exploring Student Success Outcomes at Two-Year Tribal Colleges and Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institutions*. Association for the Study of Higher Education. Las Vegas, Nevada.

2012 *The Social Integration of Deaf Students in Community College*. Texas Higher Education Symposium. San Antonio, Texas.

2011 *American Indian and Alaska Native Postsecondary Access: A Review of the Data and Literature*. Native American Student Advocacy Institute. Norman, Oklahoma.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2015-present *California State University, Fresno*

Supervision of Interpreting Interns

Introduction to Interpreting

Theory and Process of Sign Language Interpreting

Introduction to Language Development

Introduction to Exceptional Children

Introduction to Deaf and Hard of Hearing People

2014 *Eastfield College*

Human Development

Freshman level

2010 Linden-Kildare High School

American Sign Language Teacher

2007 Texas School for the Deaf

Middle School English Teacher

2008 Live Oak Elementary School

3rd Grade Teacher

RELATED PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Certification

Educational Interpreter Proficiency Assessment—4.0

Texas Education Agency—Deaf Education/All Level

Teacher Certification

Texas Education Agency—American Sign Language /All Level

Teacher Certification

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

California State University, Fresno

7/2015-present

Assistant Professor

Teach and supervise student teaching in a Deaf Studies curriculum with a comprehensive philosophy

Prepare students to teach or interpret in culturally and linguistically diverse environments for deaf and hard of hearing individuals

Teach undergraduate and graduate students

Coordinate site visits

Collaborate with other campus credential programs

Conduct scholarly and applied research
 Engage in grant writing and service-related activities
 Perform administrative duties including preparing accreditation and credential documents

Region 10 Education Service Center 12/2014-7/2015

Consultant, Deaf & Hard of Hearing
 Provision of training for teachers of the deaf regarding effective classroom practices for d/hh students
 Technical assistance for school districts and parents related to the needs of d/hh students
 Identify needs of
 Program budgeting and planning

Deaf Action Center—Dallas, Texas 5/2007-12/2014

Director of Education 7/2014-12/2014
 Develop and implement adult basic education curriculum
 Serve as liaison for the community regarding issues related to deaf and hard of hearing individuals
 Collaborate with and provide education resources to community partners

Project Manager 1/2013-7/2014
 Wrote a \$2.2 million dollar grant that resulted in the retention of 10 salaried positions
 Planned education event for 200 teens with hearing loss in DFW
 Plan fundraiser that resulted in \$10k raised for the center
 Collaborate and follow up with team members regarding goals and deadlines related to projects
 Volunteer management, including recruitment and scheduling
 Assist with various projects necessary for the daily functions of the center

Contract Interpreter 6/2009-6/2015
 Effectively communicate various appointments and meeting into American Sign Language
 Accurately convey signed messages into English using any necessary specialized vocabulary

Advocate/Education Assistant 5/2008-1/2010
 Educate consumers and professional offices (doctor, dentist, etc.) of responsibilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act
 Interpret meetings in American Sign Language
 Teaching American Sign Language to Deaf people from other countries
 Tutor deaf consumers in English

Support Staff 5/2007-8/2007
 Monitor and route incoming calls
 Interpret phone calls into American Sign Language
 Collect and input consumer information to database

Texas Woman's University—Denton, Texas 6/2011-7/2011

Deaf Education Department Intern
 Monitor and provide feedback to students in online classes

Assist in completing application for Council on Education for the Deaf accreditation

LANGUAGES

American Sign Language Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Certification

MEMBERSHIPS

American Education Research Association
Central California Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf
California State Educators of the Deaf

REFERENCES

Dr. Janice Smith-Warshaw
Associate Professor
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Trisha Houston
Lecturer
TrishaH@csufresno.edu

Dr. Chantel Cox
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