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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Occupational Therapy

MGH Institute of Health Professions (IHP), Department of Occupational Therapy – Boston, Massachusetts

- May 2014 – present
- Courses developed and taught:
 - Foundations of Occupational Therapy
 - Communication, Collaboration, and Therapeutic Modes
 - Interprofessional Health Promotion: Community and Industry
 - Low Vision Rehabilitation
 - Participation and Productive Aging
 - Human Development and Occupation Across the Lifespan
 - Leadership and Management: Policy, Delivery and Systems
 - Movement, Context, and Occupational Performance
- Other current responsibilities:
 - IHP Course and Curriculum Review Committee (chair, 2017–present; member, 2015–present)
 - OT Admissions Committee (member, 2014–present)
 - IHP Faculty Senate (member, 2015–present)
 - Advanced Doctoral Experience mentor for 11 OTD students (2015–present)
 - OT Curriculum Committee (member, 2017–present)
 - Search Committee: Standardized Patient Coordinator (member, 2017–present)
 - Pi Theta Epsilon, the occupational therapy honor society (faculty advisor, 2018–present)
- Past responsibilities:
 - Multiple OT faculty search committees (2014–2016)
 - OT Committee on Academic Policies and Procedures (chair, 2015–2017; member, 2014–2017)
 - India Immersion Experience (faculty supervisor, January 2018)

Occupational Therapist

Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

- October 2016 – December 2017
- Conducted home visits to evaluate and treat clients of all ages (mostly older adults) with various age-related, congenital, and neurological visual conditions to promote function and participation in meaningful activities and roles

Assistant Professor of Occupational Therapy

Dominican University of California, Department of Occupational Therapy – San Rafael, California

- January 2013 – May 2014
- Courses taught:
 - Health Policy, Leadership, and Management in Occupational Therapy
 - Foundations of Occupational Therapy (lecture and lab)
 - Low Vision Rehabilitation (developed curriculum, taught lecture, and led lab activities)
 - Human Movement Analysis (lab)
 - Occupation and Others seminar
 - Occupation as Therapy seminar
- Other responsibilities:
 - Faculty advisor for Pi Theta Epsilon, the occupational therapy honor society

Occupational Therapist

Private practice, associated with The Frank Stein and Paul S. May Center for Low Vision Rehabilitation – San Francisco, California

- June 2011 – May 2014

- Evaluated and treated clients of all ages (mostly older adults) with various age-related, congenital, and neurological visual conditions to promote function and participation in meaningful activities and roles
- Managed duties related to private practice such as billing and budgeting

Research Health Science Specialist

Veterans Affairs Palo Alto Health Care System – Palo Alto, California

- June 2011 – August 2013
- Participated in the design and implementation of research projects related to low vision rehabilitation

Occupational Therapist

Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Vision Rehabilitation Center – Boston, Massachusetts

- January 2009 – May 2011
- Evaluated and treated clients of all ages with age-related, congenital, and neurological visual conditions
- Participated in the design and implementation of research projects
- Participated in the training of ophthalmology residents and occupational therapy fieldwork students

EDUCATION

Doctor of Education (EdD)

Northeastern University, Boston Massachusetts

- Expected graduation: 2021

Graduate Certificate in Low Vision Rehabilitation

University of Alabama at Birmingham

- August 2012

Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD)

Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri

- December 2008
- Awards and honors:
 - Student Marshal, awarded for the highest GPA among the OTD graduating class
 - Agnes Fielding Prahman Scholarship

Bachelor of Health Science

University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida

- Major: pre-physical therapy
- Minors: chemistry, psychology
- May 2005

RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP ACTIVITIES

Peer reviewer

- *British Journal of Occupational Therapy* (2010–2017)
- *NeuroRehabilitation* (2010–2016)
- *PLOS ONE* (2016)
- *American Journal of Occupational Therapy* (2014-2015)
- *Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology* (2013)
- *Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development* (2009)

Institutional Review Board (IRB) member

Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and the departments of ophthalmology, audiology, and otolaryngology at Harvard Medical School – Boston, Massachusetts

- August 2009 – May 2011

Pre-doctoral fellow

Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute – San Francisco, California

- July – December 2008

Doctoral research project

Visual Function Lab at Washington University in St. Louis: Program in Occupational Therapy and Department of Ophthalmology

- May 2006 – May 2008
- Conducted home and clinic visits with geriatric participants with glaucoma to measure visual function and assess functional ability, activity participation, and psychosocial factors
- Completed student research project titled “Differences in Perception of Functional Ability Between Older Adults With Glaucoma and Their Spouses”

Research assistant

Cognitive Rehabilitation Research Group (CRRG) at Washington University in St. Louis

- August 2005 – May 2008
- Administered functional and cognitive assessments to participants with mild acquired brain injury
- Completed administrative duties including chart reviews and data entry

Teaching assistant

Class titled “Environments That Impact Participation in Daily Life” at Washington University in St. Louis, Program in Occupational Therapy

- Spring 2008
- Facilitated a semester-long, student group project to evaluate the accessibility of a local park
- Planned and facilitated lab sessions with experiential learning of home environment evaluations

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

- AOTF: American Occupational Therapy Foundation
 - Winner of the 2014 Leadership Service Commendation
 - Board of Directors (2011-2013)
- PTE: Pi Theta Epsilon - occupational therapy honors society
 - Faculty Advisor at MGH Institute of Health Professions (present)
 - Faculty Advisor at Dominican University (2013 – 2014)
 - National President (2011 – 2013)
 - National Vice President (2008 – 2010)
 - Chapter President (2007 – 2008)
- AOTA: American Occupational Therapy Association
 - Member (2005 – present)
- APHA: American Public Health Association
 - Member (2014 – 2015)

PUBLICATIONS

- Jackson, M. L., **Schoessow, K. A.**, Selivanova, A., & Wallis, J. (2017). Adding access to a video magnifier to standard vision rehabilitation: Initial results on reading performance and well-being from a prospective, randomized study. *Digital Journal of Ophthalmology*, 23(1).
- Fletcher, D., Colenbrander, A., & **Schoessow, K. A.** Vision Rehabilitation. (2017). In Bope ET, Kellerman R (ed): *Conn's Current Therapy 2017*. Philadelphia, Elsevier.
- Fletcher, D., Colenbrander, A., & **Schoessow, K. A.** Vision Rehabilitation. (2016). In Bope ET, Kellerman R (ed): *Conn's Current Therapy 2016*. Philadelphia, Elsevier.
- Fletcher, D., Colenbrander, A., & **Schoessow, K. A.** Vision Rehabilitation. (2015). In Bope ET, Kellerman R (ed): *Conn's Current Therapy 2015*. Philadelphia, Elsevier.
- Schoessow, K. A.**, Mauney, L. M., Uslan, M., & Schuchard, R. A. (2013). Evaluating the Barten image metric for predicting character recognition in people with low vision. *Journal of Rehabilitation Research & Development*, 50(10), 1343-1352.
- Schoessow, K. A.**, Fletcher, D. C., & Schuchard, R. A. (2012). Preferred retinal loci relationship to macular scotomas: 10-year comparison. *Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness*, 106(11), 745-750.
- Jackson, M. L., Wallis, J., **Schoessow, K. A.**, Drohan, B., & Williams, K. (2012). Visual function in the “oldest-old” one year after comprehensive vision rehabilitation. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 60(1), 183-185.
- Gendeman, J., Nisbet, L., & **Schoessow, K. A.** (2012). Special considerations for the “oldest-old” in low vision rehabilitation. *Visibility: Education and Research*, 6(3), 1-9.

- Lin, S. H., **Schoessow, K. A.**, & Warren, M. (2011). Comments to National Eye Institute. <http://www.aota.org/-/media/corporate/files/practice/researcher/research-advocacy/2011-statements/nei%20comments%20vision%20research%20final%2013111.pdf>
- Fletcher, D. C. , & **Schoessow, K. A.** (2011). Getting help if you have low vision. *Gleams: A Free Publication from Glaucoma Research Foundation*, 28(2), 6.
- Schoessow, K. A.**, Gilbert, L. M., & Jackson, M. L. (2010). Low vision rehabilitation interventions for people with ring scotomas. *Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness*, 104(11), 704-709.
- Schoessow, K. A.** (2010). Shifting from compensation to participation: A model for occupational therapy in low vision. *British Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 73(4), 160-169.
- Schoessow, K. A.**, & Fletcher, D. C. (2009). Shifting desktop video magnifier monitors to compensate for central scotomas. *AER Journal: Research and Practice in Visual Impairment and Blindness*, 2(2), 76-83.
- Schoessow, K. A.** (2009). Occupational therapy and disaster response. *OT Practice*, 14(1), 10-12,22.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- Schoessow KA**, Van Damm C. (2017) The role of occupational therapy in the treatment of pelvic health disorders. American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Schoessow KA**, Smith DL. (2016) From laughing to learning: using humor in the classroom. American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- Schuchard RA, **Schoessow KA**. (2012) Comprehensive rehabilitation of functional performance loss due to TBI hemianopic visual field loss. Santa Clara Valley Brain Injury Conference, San Jose, California.
- Schoessow KA**, Nisbet L, Gendeman J. (2011) Special considerations for the oldest patients in low vision rehabilitation. Envision '11 Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Goldstein J, Coalter J, **Schoessow KA**, White K, Kehler KB. (2011) Health states of patients seeking outpatient low vision rehabilitation services within LOVRNET. Envision '11 Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Wallis J, Jackson ML, **Schoessow KA**. (2011) Reading rehabilitation with video camera magnifiers – a review. Envision '11 Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Schoessow KA**. (2011) Occupational therapy: Enhancing quality-of-life and well-being for patients with low vision. 10th International Conference of the International Society for Low Vision Research and Rehabilitation, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Jackson ML, Crossland M, **Schoessow KA**. (2011) Clinical pearls about scotomas and fixation for the clinician who has macular perimetry and the clinician who does not: A review of central field assessment techniques. 10th International Conference of the International Society for Low Vision Research and Rehabilitation, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Schoessow KA**. (2010) Occupational therapists' role in eccentric viewing training. 2nd International Symposium on Low Vision Rehabilitation and Visual Ability, Rome, Italy.
- Schoessow KA**, Jackson ML. (2010) Lessons from the SLO for people who don't have an SLO. Envision '10 Conference, San Antonio, Texas.
- Schuchard RA, Fletcher DC, **Schoessow KA**. (2010) Macular perimetry methods and applications for vision rehabilitation. Envision '10 Conference, San Antonio, Texas.
- Perlmutter M, **Schoessow KA**. (2010) Using evidence to guide low vision assessment for occupational therapy. Envision '10 Conference, San Antonio, Texas.
- Schoessow KA**, Gilbert LM, Bianchi M. (2009) A review of occupational therapy techniques for treating ring scotomas. Envision '09 Conference, San Antonio, Texas.
- Schoessow KA**. (2009) Can patients with a central scotoma develop a functional trained retinal locus? Segment of panel presentation: How Low Vision Research Has Translated Into Clinical Practice. Envision '09 Conference, San Antonio, Texas.
- Schoessow KA**. (2009) Timed Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (TIADLs) as an outcome measure of occupational therapy. Segment of panel presentation: Newcomers with New Questions for Low Vision Rehabilitation. Envision '09 Conference, San Antonio, Texas.
- Schoessow KA**. (2009) Vision rehabilitation. Boston Vision Seminar, sponsored by the Foundation Fighting Blindness, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Schoessow KA**. (2008) Benefits of occupational therapy training with low vision patients. Segment of panel presentation: Eccentric Viewing Training. Envision '08 Conference, San Antonio, Texas.

Workshop student facilitator: Technology for participation in home and community—community mobility, vision, social engagement. (2007). American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Schoessow KA, Outland ER. (2017) The role of occupational therapy in the treatment of eating disorders. American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Kringle E, **Schoessow KA**, Portoghese C, Persch A. (2016) Building your leadership and engagement toward the AOTA Centennial Vision and beyond. American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

Schoessow KA. (2009) Differences in Perception of Function Between Older Adults With Glaucoma and Their Spouses. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Hester CC, **Schoessow KA**, Schuchard RA, Fletcher DC. (2009) Impact of low vision rehabilitation (LVR) and occupational therapy (OT) on Timed Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (TIADLs). Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Schoessow KA. (2009) Shifting from compensation to participation: A model for low vision rehabilitation. American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Houston, Texas.

CONTINUING EDUCATION ATTENDED

- *American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting and Expo*, November 15-19, 2014, New Orleans, Louisiana
- *Accelerating Clinical Trials and Outcomes Research (ACTOR) Conference*, conducted by the American Occupational Therapy Association and the American Occupational Therapy Foundation; December 1-2, 2011, Arlington, Virginia
- *Introduction to Clinical Investigation*, course conducted by the Harvard Catalyst program at the Harvard Clinical and Translational Science Center; March 14-18, 2011, Boston, Massachusetts
- *Evaluation and Treatment of Visual Perceptual Dysfunction in Adult Acquired Brain Injury Part 1*, workshop presented by Mary Warren, MS, OTR/L, SCLV, FAOTA; April 14-15, 2012 in San Francisco (host), November 13-14, 2010 in Boston, and February 21-22, 2009 in San Diego
- *Low Vision Rehabilitation: Treatment of the Older Person with Vision Loss*, workshop presented by Mary Warren, MS, OTR/L, SCLV, FAOTA; June 2-3, 2007, Kansas City, Kansas

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

- AOTA Specialty Certification in Low Vision (SCLV), 2017-2022
- Massachusetts OT license #9759
- California OT license #11866 (inactive)