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Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

2021 **Master of Science** (Health Professions Edu.) MGH Institute of Health Professions, Boston, MA
2007 **Master of Science** (Speech-Language Pathology) Boston University, Boston, MA
2005 **Bachelor of Science** (Communication Sciences & Disorders), Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY
Honors: Summa Cum Laude; Phi Beta Kappa; Minor: Psychology

CERTIFICATES & LICENSES

2016 – present Massachusetts state license # 7395 (previously held 2008-2012)
2015 – present Parkinson Voice Project Speak Out trained
2010 – present Lee Silverman Voice Therapy (LSVT) Certified
2007 – present American Speech Language and Hearing Association (ASHA) Member
2016 – 2020 Certified Brain Injury Specialist
2012 – 2016 Maryland and District of Columbia state licenses
2011 – 2013 Minnesota state license

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2021 – present Assistant Professor & Director of Impact Practice Center, MGH Institute of Health Professions
2020 – present Assistant Professor & Coordinator of Aphasia Center, MGH Institute of Health Professions
2016 – 2020 Coordinator of Aphasia Center & Instructor, MGH Institute of Health Professions, Boston
2014 – 2016 Academic & Clinical Faculty, The George Washington University, Washington, DC
2012 – 2014 Clinical Faculty, The George Washington University, Washington, DC

CLINICAL APPOINTMENTS

2014 – 2016 Owner/founder, Rockville NeuroRehab Associates, LLC, Rockville, MD
2013 – 2014 Outpatient Pediatric Speech-Language Pathologist, The Treatment and Learning Centers, Rockville, MD
2012 – 2014 Outpatient Speech-Language Pathologist, National Rehabilitation Hospital, Rockville, MD
2011 – 2012 Outpatient & Subacute Rehabilitation Speech-Language Pathologist, Courage Center, Minneapolis, MN
2011 – 2012 Inpatient Speech-Language Pathologist, per diem, Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park, MN
2007 – 2011 Outpatient Speech-Language Pathologist, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

HONORS & AWARDS

2020 Award for Excellence in Clinical Supervision, MGH IHP CSD Department
2018 2018 Simulation Summit Research Award presented by The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada on behalf of the poster “One Size Does Not Fit All: A mixed-methods approach to focusing faculty development needs assessment” on 09.28.18.
2018 2018 U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) and the Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC) Honorable Mention in Public Health Infrastructure for the S-IHP's CAP program.
2017 Partners in Excellence Team Award – Interprofessional HealthCare Partnership for Chronic Care Team
2015 Karl & Angela Robb Scholarship Recipient

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GRANTS

In progress

2018 United States-India Educational Foundation's 21st Century Knowledge Initiative Award. PI Elissa Ladd – MGH Institute of Health Professions. Partner Institution – Manipal Academy of Higher Education. *Building Capacity in Interprofessional Health Professions Education*. Role: Faculty Consultant

Completed

10/15/16 - 12/31/17 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), HRSA 14-066, PI Patricia Reidy - MGH Institute of Health Professions. *Interprofessional Healthcare Partnership: Collaboration for Chronic Care Management*. Role: Faculty Collaborator

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed articles

1. Nicholas, M., **Pittmann, R.**, Pennington, S., Connor, L., Ambrosi, D., Brady Wagner, L., Hildebrand, M., Savastano, M. (2021). Outcomes of an Interprofessional Intensive Comprehensive Aphasia Program's first five years. *Topics in Stroke Rehabilitation*, DOI: 10.1080/10749357.2021.1970452.
2. Gallée, J., **Pittmann, R.**, Pennington, S., & Rohter, S. V. (2020). The Application of Lexical Retrieval Training in Tablet-Based Speech-Language Intervention. *Frontiers in Neurology*, 11, 1415.
3. Curtis, S., Nicholas, M., **Pittmann, R.**, Zipse, L. (2019). Tap your hand if you feel the beat: differential effects of tapping in melodic intonation therapy. *Aphasiology*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02687038.2019.1621983>

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS AND ABSTRACTS

- 11.2021 Rishi, P. Nunn, K., **Pittmann, R.**, Arbel, Y., & Vallila-Rohter, S. "Identifying individual learning profiles for errorless and errorful aphasia therapy." Poster presented at the Annual American Speech Language and Hearing Association Conference, Washington, D.C.
- 10.2021 Rishi, P., Nunn, K., Arbel, Y., **Pittmann, R.**, Vallila-Rohter, S. "Examining Cognitive-Linguistic and Learning Abilities in PWA Utilizing Language Retrieval and Novel Object Pairing Tasks" presented at 2021 Academy of Aphasia's 59th Annual Meeting on October 24, 2021.
- 01.2021 Baldwin, J., **Pittmann, R.**, Sabo, K. "From, with and about Wellness-an Interprofessional Approach to Group Health" American Physical Therapy Association presented at 2021 Combined Sections Meeting
- 08.2020 Plummer, L. Knab, M., Riotte, M., Baldwin, J., Worek, A. **Pittmann, R.**, Sabo, K., Hildebrand, M., Mack, A., Cruz, A. "Leading an interprofessional practice pivot: From onsite to virtual in a hot minute." Lightning talk presented at NEXUS Summit 2020, virtual on August 20, 2020.
- 08.2020 Sabo, K., **Pittmann, R.**, Baldwin, J. "From, With and About Wellness-An Interprofessional Approach to Group Health." Poster presented at the NEXUS Summit 2020, virtual on August 6, 2020.
- 03.2020 Interprofessional Collaboration in an Intensive Comprehensive Aphasia Program (ICAP): Outcomes & Lessons Learned Across Three Years. Poster presented at American Occupational Therapy Association 2020 Annual Conference, Boston, MA on March 28, 2020.
- 11.2018 Nicholas, M., **Pittmann, R.**, Pennington, S., Savastano, M., Senecal, E., Hildebrand, M., Brady Wagner, L., Ambrosi, D., "S-IHP's CAP: Interprofessional Intensive Comprehensive Aphasia Program for Life Participation: Lessons Learned Across Three Years." 1-hour seminar to the American Speech Language Hearing Association Convention, Boston, MA on November 17, 2018.
- 11.2018 Wilner, A., Nicholas, M., Vallila-Rohter, S., Zipse, L., **Pittmann, R.**, "Processing of Observed Action Events in People With Aphasia (PWA)." Poster presentation at the American Speech Language Hearing Association Convention, Boston, MA on November 16, 2018.

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- 09.2018 Navedo, D., Flynn, M., **Pittmann, R.**, Inzana, R.; Grobecker, P., Edwards, R, "One Size Does Not Fit All: A mixed-methods approach to focusing faculty development needs assessment." Poster presented at the Royal College Simulation Summit 2018, Ottawa, Canada on September 28, 2018.
- 04.2018 Reidy, P., **Pittmann, R.**, Gona, C. Doherty, R., Knab, M., Baldwin, J., Interprofessional Healthcare Partnership for Chronic Care Management. Presentation at the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty (NONPF) 44th Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- 11.2017 Curtis, S., Zipse, L., Nicholas, M., & **Pittmann, R.** Tap Your Hand if You Feel the Beat: Differential Effects of Tapping in Melodic Intonation Therapy. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Aphasia, Baltimore, MD.
- 11.2016 Prince, H., **Pittmann, R.**, & Bamdad, M. Application and Evaluation of Evidence-Based Practice in a University Clinic: How Treatment Approaches Evolve to Best Meet the Needs of Moving Medical Diagnoses and a Progressive Neurological Disorder. Poster presented at the Johns Hopkins Hospital Clinical Showcase, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.
- 02.2016 Comer, K., **Pittmann, R.**, & Brundage, S. Developing, implementing, and assessing a successful Inter-Professional Education Experience. Presentation to the Conference on Higher Education Pedagogy, Blacksburg, VA.
- 11.2015 Brundage, S., Comer, K., **Pittmann, R.**, Smith, C., & Goldman, E. Evaluating SLP Students' Team Communication Skills During an Inter-professional Educational Exercise in the Health Sciences. Poster presented at the ASHA Conference, Denver, CO on November 12, 2015.
- 11.2005 Hayes, S., **Neuman, R.**, Burnett, D., Milosky, L. Verbal Interaction in Playful Mislabeled Tease Exchanges. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language Hearing Association National Conference.
- 11.2005 Burnett, D., Milosky, L., Hayes, S., **Neuman, R.** Young children's verbal and nonverbal responses to mislabel teases. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language Hearing Association National Conference.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

International

- 01.2019 Models of Interprofessional Education Implementation, Indo-US Symposium on Building Capacity in Interprofessional Health Professions Education, Manipal, India
- 01.2019 Introduction to Interprofessional Collaborative Practice, Indo-US Symposium on Building Capacity in Interprofessional Health Professions Education, Manipal, India
- 01.2019 Interprofessional Communication, Indo-US Symposium on Building Capacity in Interprofessional Health Professions Education, Manipal, India
- 01.2019 Interprofessional Grand Rounds, Indo-US Symposium on Building Capacity in Interprofessional Health Professions Education, Manipal, India
- 01.2019 Introduction to Interprofessional Simulation, Indo-US Symposium on Building Capacity in Interprofessional Health Professions Education, Manipal, India
- 01.2019 Models of Interprofessional Simulation & Debriefing, Indo-US Symposium on Building Capacity in Interprofessional Health Professions Education, Manipal, India

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

COURSES TAUGHT

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| 2019 | MGH IHP CD 857 | Neurodegenerative Diseases Affecting Language & Cognition (2 credit) |
| 2018 | MGH IHP CD 839 | Aphasia in Adults: Assessment and Intervention (3 credit) |
| 2018 | MGH IHP HP 819 | Impact II Interprofessional Project (1 credit) |
| 2014-2016 | GWU SPHR 1011 | Voice & Diction (3 credit) |
| 2014-2016 | GWU SPHR 1071 | Foundations of Human Communication (3 credit) |

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2014-2016 GWU SPHR 6282 Augmentative Communication and Computer Applications in Communication Disorders (2 credit)

GUEST LECTURER

01.2019 Guest faculty in MGH IHP HP 898 Global Health in Manipal University, Manipal, India
09.2018 Guest faculty in MGH IHP HP 818 Impact I: Interprofessional Practice
09.06.16 Guest lecturer in GWU PT 8351: Professional Issues in Health Care Management I
08.01.16 Guest lecturer in GWU SPED 6201: Introduction to Special Education
03.08.16 Guest lecturer in GWU SPHR 4119: Analysis and Modification of Communication Disorders
09.03.15 Guest lecturer in GWU PT 8351: Professional Issues in Health Care Management I
07.20.15 Guest lecturer in GWU SPED 6201: Introduction to Special Education

CLINICAL SUPERVISION

2010-present In various roles including externship supervisor as well as in-house clinical supervisor.

MENTORING OF STUDENTS

2019-2020 Marissa Russell, Master's student in Speech-Language Pathology (MGH IHP), Thesis committee, A Measure of Social Risk-Taking for Use in People with Aphasia
2018-2019 Bobby Creighton, Master's student in Speech-Language Pathology (MGH IHP), Thesis committee, Prototype Learning: ERP Differences in Immediate and Delayed Feedback
2017-2018 Amanda Sitren, Master's student in Speech-Language Pathology (MGH IHP), Thesis committee, Evaluating the effectiveness of tablet-based naming therapy for aphasia: Does strategy training make a difference?
2017-2018 Anna Wilner, Master's student in Speech-Language Pathology (MGH IHP), Thesis committee, Processing of Observed Video Action Events in PWA.
2016-2017 Sarah Curtis, Master's student in Speech-Language Pathology (MGH IHP), Thesis committee, Tap Your Hand if You Feel the Beat: Differential Effects of Tapping in Melodic Intonation Therapy.
2015 Courtney Smith, Master's student in Speech-Language Pathology (GWU), Independent Study Advisor, Interprofessional Education Annotated Bibliography.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

2007-present American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA)
2010-present Lee Silverman Voice Treatment Certified

EDITORIAL BOARDS

2019 Reviewer, *Topics in Stroke Rehabilitation*

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

2021-2022 Co-chair, Nominations Committee, MGH IHP
2020-2021 Secretary, Nominations Committee, MGH IHP
2019-2022 Member, Nominations Committee, MGH IHP
2019-2020 Leader, RedCap Pilot Task Force, MGH IHP
2019-present Member, Simulation Task Force, MGH IHP
2018-2019 Leader, Interprofessional Grand Rounds, MGH IHP
2017-2018 Member, Admissions Committee, MGH IHP
2017-2018 Member, Clinical Curriculum Committee, MGH IHP
2017-2018 Member, S-IHP's CAP Interprofessional Learning Activity, MGH IHP
2017-2018 Member, Wellness Interprofessional Learning Activity, MGH IHP
2017-2018 Co-Leader, Caregiver Interprofessional Learning Activity, MGH IHP
2014-2016 Key member of Interprofessional Education team, involving SLP, PT, MD, RN, PA, GWU.

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2014-2016 Departmental coordinator of graduate assistants/assistantships, GWU.
2014-2016 Departmental coordinator of Voice & Diction class – coordinating 3 professors’ lectures and 5 discussion sections, GWU.
2014-2016 Clinical faculty representative, Orientation committee, GWU.
2014 (SP) Interim Coordinator of Fluency Disorders Track, GWU.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2015 Served as a member of the planning committee for the 2015 ASHA National Conference Planning Committee for the *Language Disorders in Adult Concentration Area*

2010 Communication and the Stroke Patient, Stroke Collaborative Reaching for Excellent (SCORE) Annual Conference, Department of Public Health of MA, Westborough, MA