



President's Spring 2022 Newsletter
May 26, 2022

Dear CAPCSD Members:

Greetings! I hope this message finds you well. Hopefully you have enjoyed a moment of down time with family and friends after wrapping up your spring semesters and are now energized to start your summer! I want to take this opportunity to highlight just a few of our activities as CAPCSD continues to offer support for your programs.

2022 Annual Conference, Portland - Dedicated to Community: Making Connections Matter

This year's Annual Conference in Portland was a huge success! It was a pleasure to connect again in person with a group of almost 500 Speech pathologists and Audiologists as we shared success stories from the past few years as well as discussed the challenges that currently face our profession. We look forward to continuing the conversations next year at the conference in Orlando.

Professional Development

Webinars and OnDemand Courses

CAPCSD continues to offer a variety of webinars for both synchronous and on-demand learning. Our Online Professional Development Committee has been busy planning exciting offerings in 2022! Visit the [webinars](#) and [on-demand](#) courses to learn more.

CAPCSD's Free eLearning Courses in Supervision – Let the Learning Continue!

For those who need to establish basic clinical educator knowledge and skills and those who want to bring their existing knowledge and skills to a higher level, the CAPCSD Clinical Educator eLearning courses are for you! Current offerings include:

Foundations of Clinical Supervision - <https://www.pathlms.com/capcsd/courses/21495>

Developing Effective Relationships - <https://www.pathlms.com/capcsd/courses/21574>

Giving Feedback in the Clinical Environment - <https://www.pathlms.com/capcsd/courses/21579>

A fourth course on *Assessment of Student Learners* will be relaunched shortly with updated / expanded content. All course modules offer the chance to earn ASHA CEUs and are yours to share with your clinical educator community. Take advantage of these ASHA approved courses to grow as a clinical educator!

For more course information click [>>here](#).

Essential Functions Task Force

The task force is actively engaged in reviewing and revising CAPCSD's existing documents regarding essential functions for audiology and speech-language pathology students. Suggested revisions to the essential functions document and supporting guidelines regarding its appropriate use will be brought to the board for review and shared with membership when approved.

Strategic Plan

The new strategic plan went into effect this academic year with a focus on improving member value and growth, performance excellence, and diversity, equity and inclusion. We have begun increasing our virtual presence, diversifying our revenue, examining the return of investment of our scholarship and training programs, and building awareness of DEI into our culture. We have already achieved several of our goals, and will continue to work toward completion of the plan.

Scholarship Program

We received many applications for the Frances J. Laven Service Award, Ph.D., and Plural Publishing Research scholarships. The following awards were announced at the Annual Conference in Portland.

Frances J. Laven Award

- Emily Ferguson, Illinois State University

Plural Publishing Scholarships

- Robert Cavanaugh, University of Pittsburgh (Doctoral Candidate)
- Ayesha Alam, Boston University (Master's Candidate)

Ph.D. Scholarships

- Hung-Shao Cheng, New York University
- Stacey Kane, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Kathryn Prescott, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Raghav Jha, James Madison University
- James Borders, Teachers College Columbia University
- Sharice Clough, Vanderbilt University
- Lynsey Keator, University of South Carolina
- Emily Lundberg, University of Colorado

Learn about the awardees on the scholarship webpage [>>here](#).

◆ CAPCSD offers its deepest gratitude to all the reviewers who assisted in this process. We couldn't do this without their time and commitment!

Thank you!

I want to extend a huge thank you to Past-President Carol Dudding, Treasurer Kathy Shapley and VP of Organizational Advancement Jennifer Simpson, who will rotate off the Board the end of June 2022. The Board has benefited tremendously from their wealth of knowledge, experience, and leadership in guiding this organization along such a strong path forward.



Carol Dudding, Ph.D.



Kathy Shapley, Ph.D.



Jennifer Simpson, Au.D.

Elections and VP Appointments – Terms Begin July 1, 2022

I am incredibly pleased to announce the appointment of Maya Clark, Ph.D., Associate Professor from Georgia Southern University, as our next Vice President of Organizational Advancement.

The CAPCSD Board slate of elected officers was voted on by member programs and was approved on 11 May 2022. It is my tremendous honor to announce Jennifer Simpson, Au.D., Clinical Professor and Associate Head at Purdue University, as our upcoming President-Elect. It is also my great honor to announce Ashley Harkrider, Ph.D., University of Tennessee, as our upcoming Treasurer.



Maya Clark, Ph.D.



Jennifer Simpson, Au.D.



Ashley Harkrider, Ph.D.

On a personal note, I would like to take a moment to thank you for allowing me to have this indescribable opportunity over the past year. The connections that I made with so many people have made this the most rewarding experience of my career.

As we navigate and evolve through all we have endured, your stories are truly transformational and inspiring. The human spirit continues to amaze me.

The opportunity to reconnect in person at our Conference in Portland was priceless and there are no words to express my gratitude to all involved in making that goal come to fruition.

I would also like to thank my daughter for reminding me not to let go of your dreams. She makes me proud every day.

On behalf of CAPCSD's Board of Directors, I wish you continued safety and health in the months ahead and we look forward to seeing you all again at the 2023 Annual Conference in Orlando, April 12-15!



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Bamdad'.

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