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GIAVANNA DESAI

DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY | ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY | CLASS OF 2023

HONORS/AWARDS

Shannon McNamara Memorial Scholarship | Alpha Phi

• Awarded to an individual who has displayed athletic, social work, and community involvement in honor of a sister who was brutally murdered at Eastern Illinois University.

Eastern Illinois University Commitment to Excellence Scholarship

• Awarded to academically talented students entering EIU. This scholarship is renewable for 4 years. Eligible students are required to maintain full-time consecutive undergraduate enrollment and specific GPA requirements.

Student Athlete University Award

• Awarded to student athletes who have maintained specific GPA requirements

ORGANIZATIONS

ROTC: Reserve Officer Training Corps

Alpha Phi Sorority

• Positions Held: Day Chairman of Recruitment, Director of Chapter Events, Slating Committee, Airband Coach

NSSLHA: National Student Speech Language Hearing Association

EIU Pink Panthers Dance Team

• Positions Held: Captain

SAA: ISU Student Academy of Audiology

• Positions Held: Diversity Outreach Chair

EDUCATION

ROCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL • 2011-2015

Graduated with Honors

LINCOLN LAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE • 2013-2015

Enrolled in high school dual-credit courses (20 hours)

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY • CHARLESTON, IL • 2015-2019

Bachelor of Science: Communication Disorders and Sciences

Minor: Neuroscience/ Psychology

Cumulative GPA: 3.54/4.0

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY • NORMAL, IL • 2019-2023

Doctor of Audiology

Cumulative GPA: 3.9/4.0

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

DANCE CREATIONS DANCE STUDIO (DCDS) • DANCE INSTRUCTOR • 2011-2018

Instructed individuals and children of all ages | Assist in teaching classes catered to children with challenges including autism, Down Syndrome and other genetic disorder | Taught after school dance programs to Springfield community schools focused on offering arts to students with low income family backgrounds | Prepared monthly and annual paperwork for lesson and competitions | Completed online competition paperwork

CAREER SERVICES • EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY • 2017-2019

Screen phone calls and schedule appointments | Perform outbound survey calls for First Destination Student Survey | Greet students, faculty and employer visitors



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LAKWOOD VILLAGE • CAREGIVER • 2017-2019

Assist residents ages 70-97 with daily activities | Interact with residents living with dementia, physical challenges and mental health concerns

MARTY'S BAR • MANAGER/COOK/BARTENDER • 2017-2019

Oversee employees | Handle money | See earnings | Tally receipt tips | Distribute tips to employees | Serve students and townspeople at popular university food and beverage establishment

UHS GRADUATE ASSISTANT • ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY • 2020-2022

Oversee resident assistants | Coordinate developmental programs | Assist in move in/out | Oversee budgets | Perform duties per supervisor

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

ALPHA PHI SORORITY • BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS • 2015-2019

Provide essential materials for children (coats, shoes, winter gear) | Set up seasonal activities (Halloween/Christmas parties)

DANCE CREATIONS DANCE STUDIO • PUBLIC PERFORMANCES • 2008-2015

All proceeds donated to the Red Cross or St. John's Hospital (infants born premature)

SPECIAL OLYMPICS • 2016

Participate in activities with previous participants of Special Olympics

STUDENT ACADEMY OF AUDIOLOGY • 2019

Assisted in raising money for American Academy of Audiology Convention



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EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY • ASSISTED IN RESEARCH WITH ADVISOR
Research involved the relationship between diagnosis of dementia and screening for hearing loss.

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY • STUDENT CLINICIAN • 1 CREDIT HOUR
Provide speech therapy to assigned client under the supervision of certified speech language pathologist.

AUDIOLOGY OBSERVATION • SHADOW • 2 CREDIT HOURS
Observe training evaluations | newborn screenings | videonystagmography | hearing aid fittings | hearing aid problem resolutions

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY • GRADUATE CLINICIAN
Provide services to patients: comprehensive hearing evaluations, hearing aid selections, hearing aid fittings, and hearing aid problem resolutions, comprehensive auditory processing evaluations, comprehensive tinnitus evaluations, selection/verification/use of FM systems and ALDs, cochlear implant mapping, vestibular and balance testing | Complete related paperwork | Complete any other assignments made by supervising audiologist



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EDUCATION

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Communication Disorders and
Sciences

Minor in Neuroscience

Minor in Psychology

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

ISU Student Academy of
Audiology: **Diversity Outreach
Chair**

American Academy of Audiology

CLINICAL PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE

**FALL 2019 • ECKELMANN-TAYLOR SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC &
ACTIVITY RECREATION CENTER (ARC)**

Appointment Types | Comprehensive audiological evaluations, hearing
aid selections, hearing aid fittings, hearing aid checks

SPRING 2020 • ECKELMANN-TAYLOR SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC

Appointment Types | Comprehensive audiological evaluations, hearing
aid selections, hearing aid fittings, hearing aid checks

**SUMMER 2020 • SIMULATIONS, ECKELMANN-TAYLOR SPEECH AND
HEARING CLINIC & ACTIVITY RECREATION CENTER (ARC)**

Simulations | Pure tone air and bone conduction, differential diagnosis,
tinnitus, counseling

Appointment Types | Comprehensive audiological evaluations, hearing
aid selections, hearing aid fittings, hearing aid checks, comprehensive
tinnitus evaluations, comprehensive pediatric evaluations, pediatric
hearing aid fittings, pediatric hearing aid checks

**FALL 2020 • ECKELMANN-TAYLOR SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC &
ACTIVITY RECREATION CENTER**

Appointment Types | Comprehensive audiological evaluations, hearing
aid selections, hearing aid fittings, hearing aid checks, comprehensive
pediatric evaluations, pediatric hearing aid fittings, pediatric hearing aid
checks

**SPRING 2021 • ECKELMANN-TAYLOR SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC &
SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF PEORIA COUNTY (SEAPCO)**

Appointment Types | Comprehensive audiological evaluations, hearing
aid selections, hearing aid fittings, hearing aid checks, comprehensive
central auditory processing evaluations, selection/verification/use of FM
systems/ALDs



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**SUMMER 2021 • SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE:
ENT**

Appointment Types | Adult and pediatric comprehensive audiological evaluations, hearing aid selections, hearing aid fittings, hearing aid checks, newborn hearing screening, selection/verification/use of ALDs, cochlear implant mapping, vestibular and balance testing

COURSEWORK

FALL 2019 • TOTAL HOURS: 13

Methods of Research in Speech Pathology & Audiology • **HOURS: 3**
Anatomy & Physiology of The Auditory Vestibular System • **HOURS: 3**
Essential Techniques in Audiology • **HOURS: 3**
Acoustics & Amplification Technology • **HOURS: 3**
Clinical Practice in Audiology • **HOURS: 1**

SPRING 2020 • TOTAL HOURS: 11

Electrophysiological Techniques in Audiology I • **HOURS: 3**
Differential Diagnosis in Audiology • **HOURS: 3**
Amplification Selection & Fitting • **HOURS: 3**
Basic Clinical Rotation in Audiology • **HOURS: 2**

SUMMER 2020 • TOTAL HOURS: 5

Psychoacoustics • **HOURS: 3**
Basic Clinical Rotation in Audiology • **HOURS: 2**

FALL 2020 • TOTAL HOURS: 13

Counseling for Communication Disorders • **HOURS: 2**
Pediatric Audiology • **HOURS: 3**
Auditory Processing & Disorders • **HOURS: 2**
Occupational and Environmental Audiology • **HOURS: 3**
Intermediate Clinical Rotation in Audiology • **HOURS: 3**



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SPRING 2021 • TOTAL HOURS: 11

- Advanced Pediatric Audiology • HOURS: 3
- Implantable Auditory Protheses • HOURS: 3
- Vestibular Evaluation and Rehabilitation • HOURS: 3
- Intermediate Clinical Rotation in Audiology • HOURS: 3

SUMMER 2021 • TOTAL HOURS: 11

- Professional Issues in Audiology • HOURS: 2
- Advanced Clinical Rotation in Audiology • HOURS: 4

Cumulative GPA: 3.9/4.0

PATIENT CONTACT HOURS

As of 8/2/2021

FALL 2019

- Child • 0:20
- Adult • 48:20

SPRING 2020

- Adult • 15:45

SUMMER 2020

- Child • 1:45
- Adult • 27:45

FALL 2020

- Child • 13:15
- Adult • 19:00

SPRING 2021

- Child • 33:20
- Adult • 40:00

SUMMER 2021

- Child • 44:15
- Adult • 154:00

Total Allowed Hours • 453:19



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