

**Erin O'Bryan, PhD, CCC-SLP**

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**EDUCATION**

- **MS Speech, Language, & Hearing Sciences**, December 2007, U of Arizona, Tucson.  
Major advisor: Pélagie Beeson
- **PhD Linguistics**, December 2003, U of Arizona, Tucson  
Dissertation title: *Event Structure in Language Comprehension*, Dissertation advisor: Dr. Thomas G. Bever
- **MA Linguistics**, August 1999, U of Arizona, Tucson  
Thesis title: *Reduced Relatives and WH-gaps in Spoken Sentence Comprehension*, Thesis advisor: Dr. Thomas G. Bever
- **BA Linguistics**, May 1997, U of Kansas, Lawrence  
Honors Thesis title: *The Social Markers of Vowel Laxing before /l/*, Thesis advisor: Dr. James Hartman

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

**Communication Sciences and Disorders Dept**, Wichita State University, Assistant Professor, 07/28/2019 to present

**Robert J. Dole VA Medical and Regional Office Center**, Research Speech Language Pathologist, 12/28/2022 to present

**Speech, Language, & Hearing Sciences Dept**, Purdue University, Visiting Scholar and Instructor, 10/2009-12/2011

**Gerontology Center, Lifespan Institute**, U of Kansas, Post-doctoral Affiliate, 12/2008 – 8/2009



- College of Health Professions Interprofessional Education Innovation Faculty/Staff Award: “Oral Healthcare: Who’s Responsible? An Interprofessional Education Experience for Students in CHP: Dental Hygiene and Speech Language Pathology, 2023”, Role Co-PI with Shanin Peck (Dental Hygiene), amount \$500, awarded 1/27/2023 for grant period 1/27/2023-6/2/2023.
- Peer Mutual Mentoring Team Grant (WSU College of Engineering): “Interdisciplinary Data Processing in Research Group”, Role: Co-PI with Dr. Huabo Lu (Electrical & Computer Engineering) & Dr. Yang-Seon Kim (Mechanical Engineering), amount \$900, awarded 11/10/2021 for grant period 1/1/2022-12/31/2022, extended to grant period 1/1/2023-12/31/2023.
- Multi-Disciplinary Research Project Award (MURPA): “Computerized Sentence Building as a Therapy Tool for People with Aphasia”, Role: Co-PI with Dr. Huabo Lu, amount \$7,498, awarded 12/2/2020 for grant period 1/1/2021-6/15/2021.
- Health Concepts Foundation (community non-profit organization): “Making Electrical Stimulation Therapy for Swallowing Dysfunction Available to the Community Through WSU’s Speech Language Hearing Clinic”, Role: PI, amount \$3,473, awarded 1/13/2020 for grant period 1/13/2020-12/31/2020.
- University Research/Creative Projects Award (URCA), Grant #200182: “Effect of the Word Maze Treatment in People With Aphasia: A Pilot Study”, Role: PI, amount \$4,500, awarded 12/5/2019 for the grant period 12/5/2019-12/31/2020.
- National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant #0132380: “Event Structure in Language Comprehension”, co-PI with Dr. Thomas G. Bever, amount \$6,297, 2002-2003.
- U of Arizona Graduate & Professional Student Travel Grant for presentation at “It’s About Time” workshop at Linguistics Society of America Summer Institute in East Lansing, Michigan, amount \$1000, 2003.
- U of Arizona Graduate & Professional Student Travel Grant for presentation “Event Structure Effects on Garden-Pathing” at Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing Conference in Glasgow, Scotland, amount \$1500, 2002.
- Undergraduate Research Award for Linguistics research “The Social Markers of Vowel Laxing Before /l/” from U of Kansas Honors Program, 1995.

***SUBMITTED***

College of Health Professions Interprofessional Education Innovation Faculty/Staff Award: “Oral Healthcare: Who’s Responsible? An Interprofessional Education Experience for Students in CHP: Dental Hygiene and Speech Language Pathology, 2025”, Role Co-PI with Shanin Peck (Dental Hygiene), amount \$500, submitted 12/13/2024.

***NOT FUNDED***

- President’s Convergence Sciences Initiative: “Improving Services in Rural Areas of Kansas: Addressing Disparities in Services Related to Communication Disorders”, Role: Co-PI, submitted 6/8/2020, not funded.
- President’s Convergence Sciences Initiative: “Center for Accessibility and Assistive Technologies (COACH) – A WSU Convergent Sciences Initiative”, Role: Lead

Investigator under Co-Directors Dr. Nils Hakansson and Dr. Vinod Namboodiri,  
submitted 6/8/2020, not funded.

**PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Musaji, I., O'Bryan, E. L. &

**VOLUMES EDITED**

Hayes, R., Lewis, W., O'Bryan, E., & Zamuner, T. (Eds.) (2001). *Coyote Papers 12: Language in Cognitive Science*. <https://coyotepapers.sbs.arizona.edu/volume-12-2001>

Weinberg, J., O'Bryan, E., Moll, L., & Haugen, J. (Eds.) (2000). *Coyote Papers 11: Special Volume on Native American Languages*.  
<https://coyotepapers.sbs.arizona.edu/volume-11-2000>

**INVITED TALKS**

Berk, H.\*, O'Bryan, E. L., Musaji, I., Thomas, C., & Harrington, J. (2024, September).  
Educating Future Nurse Practitioners and Physician Associates on Pretreatment of

- Beeson, P. M., Rising, K., Kim, E., O'Bryan, E., & Rapcsak, S. (2009). Examining a treatment continuum for acquired impairments of reading and spelling. Clinical Aphasiology Conference, Keystone, Colorado.
- O'Bryan, E. (2009). Verb telicity affects on-line sentence comprehension. Speech, Language, & Hearing Sciences Colloquium, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.
- O'Bryan, E. (2009). Verb telicity affects on-line sentence comprehension. Linguistics Colloquium, University of Kansas, Lawrence.
- O'Bryan, E., Folli, R., Harley, H. & Bever, T. G. (2008). Verb telicity affects on-line sentence comprehension. Verb Concepts workshop. Concordia University, Montreal, Canada.
- O'Bryan, E. (2003). Event structure is accessed immediately during comprehension. U of Cambridge, UK. Seminar at MRC Cognitive & Brain Sciences Unit.
- O'Bryan, E., Folli, R., Harley, H., & Bever, T. G. (2003). Evidence for the Early Use of Telicity in Comprehension. "It's About Time" Workshop on Tense, Aspect, & Events. Michigan State U, East Lansing.
- O'Bryan, E., Folli, R., Harley, H., & Bever, T. G. (2003). Event structure is accessed immediately during comprehension. Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- O'Bryan, E. (2001). Syntax in performance: Minimalist derivation in the Late Assignment of Syntax Theory. U of Arizona Linguistics Department's Master Seminar.
- O'Bryan, E. (2000). Processing differences in synthetic versus natural speech: Evidence from garden path sentences. Student Conference in Linguistics (SCIL 12), U of Arizona.
- Speer, S. R., Schafer, A. J., O'Bryan, E. L., & Perry, S. (1997). Phonological phrasing effects on processing syntactic lexical ambiguity. Mid-America Linguistics Conference, U of Missouri, Columbia. Presenter.

\*Student/mentee author.

## **RESEARCH POSTERS**

- Ramos-Bencomo, A.\* & O'Bryan, E. (2024, September). Automatic verbal production and generalization in Aphasia-Friendly Reading. Research poster at the Kansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Wichita, KS.
- Sloan, J.\* & O'Bryan, E. (2024, September). Co-constructed storytelling for a person with aphasia from a traumatic brain injury. Research poster at the Kansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Wichita, KS.
- Whitney, E.\*, O'Bryan, E., Darland, K., Richburg, C., Bernstorf, E., & Chesser, A. (2024, September). Melodic Intonation Therapy for a musician with aphasia. Research poster at the Kansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Wichita, KS.
- Wolters, I.\*, Craig, K.\*, Gochenauer, J.\*, Winter, G.\*, Musaji, I., Bowen, A., & O'Bryan, E. (2024, September). A systematic review of current practices for training speech-language clinicians to work with people with aphasia. Research poster at the Kansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Wichita, KS.
- Won, Z. \*, Moss, A. \*, O'Bryan, E., & Cleveland, E. (2024, September). Students' perceptions of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Communication Sciences and Disorders programs. Research poster at the Kansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Wichita, KS.

Berk, H.\*, O'Bryan, E., Musaji, I., Thomas, C., & Harrington, J. (2024, April). Educating Future Nurse Practitioners and Physician Associates on Pretreatment of Swallowing in Head and Neck Cancer. Research poster at the WSU Graduate Research and Scholarly Projects





- O'Bryan, E., Folli, R., Harley, H., & Bever, T. G. (2004). Verb event structure effects in on-line sentence comprehension. Research poster, CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, U of Maryland.
- Gardner, S. T.\* & O'Bryan, E. (2004). Determining English verb event classifications using native speaker judgments. Research poster, U of Arizona Linguistics Department Student Showcase.
- O'Bryan, E., Folli, R., Harley, H., & Bever, T. G. (2003). Event structure effects on garden pathing. Architectures & Mechanisms for Language Processing, U of Glasgow, Scotland.
- O'Bryan, E., Folli, R., Harley, H., Clarke, C., Townsend, D., & Bever, T. G. (2002). The role of event structure in language comprehension. Architectures & Mechanisms for Language Processing Conference, Tenerife, Canary Islands, Spain.
- O'Bryan, E., Townsend, D., & Bever, T. G. (2002). Slips of the ear: A new way to investigate post-sentence auditory representations. Research poster, CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, CUNY Graduate Center, New York.
- Treadwell, K. E.\*, Nicholas, C. D., O'Bryan, E. L., & Bever, T. G. (2001). Differential discontinuous constituent use by left- and right-handers in sentence generation. CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, U of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.
- O'Bryan, E., Nicol, J., Townsend, D., & Bever, T. G. (2000). Reduced relatives and WH-gaps in spoken sentence comprehension. Research poster, CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, U of California, San Diego.

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## **RESEARCH MENTORSHIP**

### **CSD PhD Dissertation Chair**

M. Almutairi	Completed	December 2021
C. Thomas	Discontinued	2021-2022
C. Ashbrook	In Progress	2022-present

### **PhD Dissertation Committee**

B. Roth (CSD)	Completed	May 2023
E. Ali (Psychology)	Completed	June 2024

### **CSD Master's (MA-SLP) Thesis Chair**

K. Darland	Completed	May 2021
H. Berk	Completed	July 2024
C. Newman	In Progress 2022	2022 Ashb4tM. Almutairi

D. Keese	Completed	May 2021
L. Larkin	Completed	May 2021
A. Powell	Completed	May 2021
B. Recker	Completed	May 2021
B. Bailey	Completed	May 2022
T. Brandenberger	Completed	May 2022
L. Nicks	Completed	May 2022
A. Nidiffer-Tull	Completed	May 2022
P. Wheeler	Completed	May 2022
E. Willette	Completed	May 2022
M. Zwanziger	Completed	May 2022
H. Aschl	Completed	May 2023
K. Atteberry	Completed	May 2023
S. Brown	Completed	May 2023
E. Heuer	Completed	May 2023
M. Meyers	Completed	May 2023
N. Krug	Completed	May 2024
A. Moss	Completed	May 2024
M. Rondeau	Completed	May 2024
A. Ediger Roper	Completed	May 2024
B. Scott	Completed	May 2024
G. Perez	On hold	August 2023-
K. Craig	In Progress	pending May 2025
R. Smith	In Progress	pending May 2025
B. Gowan	In Progress	pending May 2026
L. Isham	In Progress	pending May 2026
C. Toner	In Progress	pending May 2026
H. Wilkinson	In Progress	pending May 2026

**CSD Undergraduate Departmental Honors Track (CSD 490H) Research Supervisor**

Z. Won	Completed	December 2022
J. Edmondson	Completed	December 2023
A. Ramos-Bencomo	Completed	December 2024
J. Sloan	Completed	December 2024
E. Whitney	Completed	December 2024
K. Bell	In Progress	pending May 2025
S. Doffing	In Progress	pending May 2025
T. Guthrie	In Progress	pending May 2025
T. Henton	In Progress	pending May 2025

**Physics Undergraduate Honors (HNRS 485) Research Supervisor**

A. Olmstead	Completed	December 2021
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**School of Computing Undergraduate Honors (HNRS 485) Research Supervisor**

L. Hutchens	Completed	May 2023
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2021-present	Member, Research Advisory Council, College of Health Professions
2021-2022	Member, Search Committee, Grant Technical Writing Specialist
2021	Member, Search Committee, Tenure-Track Audiology Faculty Position
2020-present	Member, Student Retention Committee, College of Health Professions
2020	Member, Search Committee, Tenure-Track SLP Faculty Position
2019-2021	Stroke Education at the Senior Services Health Fair (supervising team of students educating the public), Wichita, Kansas
2009-12	Crawfordsville Stroke and Aphasia Support Group, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Founder and Organizer
2004-09	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society</i> , <i>Journal of Psycholinguistic Research</i> , <i>Cognition</i> , <i>Psychonomic Bulletin and Review</i>
2005	Lead organizer of CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, U of Arizona
2003	Textbook reviewer, <i>Psychology of Language, 4th Edition</i> by David W. Carroll. Brooks/Cole.
2002	Phonetic Transcription Consultant, <i>Cambridge English Pronouncing Dictionary, 16th Edition</i>

#### **AWARDS & HONORS**

- Nominee, Tavistock Trust for Aphasia Distinguished Scholar Award, 2023, 2024
- Alpha Eta National Honors Society, Member, inducted 4/22/2022
- ASHA Award for Continuing Education (ACE), 2021-2026
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- Speech Language Pathologist, Certificate of Clinical Competence #12117597, American Speech