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EDUCATION

GRADUATE

Expected May 2015

University of Houston
Houston, TX

Ph.D. Developmental Psychology

Focus in Cognitive Neuroscience

2010 - 2013

University of Houston
Houston, TX

M.A. Psychology

Thesis: Effects of perceive similarity and training on novel speech acquisition

UNDERGRADUATE

2006-2010

Rice University
Houston, TX

B.A. Psychology

RESEARCH INTEREST

Speech perception and production interface
Speech production acquisition
Age of acquisition

POSITIONS

Research Assistant, Laboratory for the Neural Bases of Bilingualism, University of Houston; Houston, TX – September 2010 – present

- **Project 1:** Investigating the effects of expertise and AOA in sport on the neural correlates of processing sport and environmental sounds using fMRI
- **Project 2:** Investigating the effects of training and perceived similarity in novel speech acquisition in adults using fMRI
- **Project 3:** Investigating the effect of age of acquisition on non-native categorical speech perception

Teaching Fellow, University of Houston; Houston, TX

Fall 2012-Fall 2013

- Instructor for Introduction to Cognitive Psychology

Teaching Assistant, University of Houston; Houston, TX

Fall 2010-Summer 2012

- Introduction to Cognitive Psychology
- Child Development

Research Assistant, Lil' Aggie Language Lab, Texas A&M University; College Station, TX –Summer 2008,2009-

- **Project 1:** Investigating the cortical representations of speech perception in monolingual and bilingual infants using functional near-infrared spectroscopy
- Help design and conduct experiments with infant
- Collected and analyzed fNIRS data

Research Assistant, Hebl Lab, Rice University; Houston, TX

Fall 2009

- Collected data for studies focusing on discrimination and diversity in the work place

Research Assistant, Schnur Lab, Rice University; Houston, TX Spring and Summer 2009

- helped design tasks that tested various processes in healthy adults and patients with aphasia such as executive functioning, working memory, language production and comprehension

PUBLICATIONS

Woods, E.A., Hernandez, A.E., Wagner, V.E. & Beilock, S.A. (Submitted). Expert athletes activate somatosensory and motor planning regions of the brain when passively listening to familiar sports sounds. *Brain and Cognition*.

Wagner, V.E., Archila-Suerte, P., Bunta, F. & Hernandez, A.E. (In Prep). The effects of perceived similarity and training on acquisition of novel speech.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Wagner, V.E., Archila-Suerte, P., Zevin, J. & Hernandez, A.E. (submitted). “Effects of Age of Acquisition on neural recruitment for non-native categorical perception” poster submitted to the 2014 Cognitive Neuroscience Society annual meeting, Boston, MA.

Wagner, V.E., Archila-Suerte, P., Bunta, F. & Hernandez, A.E. (November, 2013). “The effects of perceived similarity and training on acquisition of novel speech sounds: an fMRI study” poster presented at 2013 Society for the Neurobiology of Language annual meeting, San Diego, CA.

Wagner, V.E., Woods, E., Beilock, S. & Hernandez, A.E. (October, 2012). “The effect of expertise and AOA in sport on the neural correlates of imagery for sport and environmental sounds” poster presented at 2012 Society for Neuroscience annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.

Wagner, V.E., Woods, E., Beilock, S. & Hernandez, A.E. (April, 2011). “Brain activity during effortful auditory retrieval differentiates Expert and Non-Expert Athletes” poster presented at 2011 Cognitive Neuroscience Society annual meeting, San Francisco, CA.

HONORS AND AWARDS

USTFCCCA All-Academic Honors	Spring 2010
Conference USA Commissioner’s Honor Roll	Spring 2007-Spring 2010
Jo E. and Jed Shaw Athletic Scholarship, Rice University	2007-2010

MEMBERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Cognitive Neuroscience Society	2011-Present
Society for Neuroscience	2012-Present
Society for the Neurobiology of Language	2013

RESEARCH SKILLS

SOFTWARE SPM fMRI, E-Prime, SPSS, Navi, NiLab, Microsoft Office
SYSTEMS Windows, Mac OS