
Lauren Pontis, AuD, CCC-A

Audiologist

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EXPERIENCE

Clinical Assistant Professor - *University of Colorado at Boulder*

FALL 2023 - PRESENT

CHIP Facilitator - *Envision*

AUGUST 2022 - PRESENT

- Family-centered early intervention provider for a child with hearing loss. Role includes close collaboration with regional CO-Hear coordinator, IFSP development, and regular progress monitoring for outcomes and goals (including administering CHIP Family Assessments).

Audiologist Contractor - *Colorado EHDI*

JANUARY 2023 - PRESENT

- Member of Virtual Site Visit (VSV) project team. Responsibilities include collaboration with VSV team members, facilitating interview process with birthing facilities, and providing education and resources to birthing facility teams regarding Newborn Hearing Screening.

Lecturer - *University of Colorado at Boulder*

FALL 2021 - SPRING 2023

- Instructor for SLHS 6554 (Auditory Processes: Child Assessment), SLHS 7640 (Communication Processes and Hearing Loss: Birth to Six Years), and SLHS 4704 (Introduction to Audiological Evaluation), each for one semester.

Audiologist - *Thompson School District*

SEPTEMBER 2021 - MAY 2023

- Sole audiologist for a school district with over 15,000 students. Responsibilities include completing hearing and auditory processing assessments, providing evidence-based educational recommendations for students with hearing loss, fitting and monitoring of hearing assistive technology, maintenance of district's audiology equipment, collaboration with multidisciplinary IEP & 504 teams, overseeing district hearing screening program, and serving as clinical preceptor for audiology graduate students.

Audiologist - *Seattle Children's Hospital*

AUGUST 2017 - APRIL 2021

- Provided family-centered audiology care to a diverse patient population, ages 0-21 years. Services included Brainstem Auditory Evoked Response (BAER) evaluations in natural sleep and under general anesthesia; behavioral hearing evaluations for all developmental statuses; precepting audiology graduate students; and hearing device fitting/management including assistive listening devices, traditional hearing aids, and bone-anchored devices.

Audiology Clinical Research Associate - *Seattle Children's Hospital*

JUNE 2017 - OCTOBER 2017

- Participated in study design, data collection, and analysis for multiple Childhood Communication Center projects

Teaching Assistant - *University of Colorado At Boulder*

AUGUST 2013 - MAY 2015

- Served as teaching assistant for undergraduate Hearing Science and Science of Human Communication courses.

Home Care Provider - *Private Residence in Boulder, Colorado*

OCTOBER 2011 - MAY 2016

- Assisted a wonderful individual with multiple sclerosis with daily living and health-related tasks

Research Assistant - *Brain and Behavior Laboratory, University of Colorado at Boulder*

OCTOBER 2010 - MAY 2015

- Collected and analyzed Cortical Auditory Evoked Potential (CAEP) data for research and clinical purposes

EDUCATION

University of Colorado at Boulder - *Doctorate of Audiology*

MAY 2017

University of Colorado at Boulder - *Bachelor of Arts*

DECEMBER 2011

Double major in IPHY and SLHS; graduated with distinction

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Vice President of Education - *Colorado Academy of Audiology*

JANUARY 2022 - PRESENT

Member - *American Speech, Language, and Hearing Association (ASHA)*

Member - *Educational Audiology Association (EAA)*

PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND POSTERS

- Pontis, L.** Safe Music Listening and Hearing Conservation in Children (2019, October).
Invited speaker at 12th Annual Seattle Children's Hospital Loeb Family
Symposium- Music: Special considerations for children who are deaf and hard of
hearing.
- Mitchell, R. M., Christianson, E., Ramirez, R., Onchiri, F. M., Horn, D. L., **Pontis, L.**, Miller, C.,
Norton, S., & Sie, K. C. (2019). Auditory comprehension outcomes in children who
receive a cochlear implant before 12 months of age. *The Laryngoscope*.
- Mitchell, R., Christianson, E., Gove, N., Ramirez, R., **Durkee, L.**, Miller, C., Norton, S., Sie, K.
(2018) Auditory comprehension outcomes in children receiving cochlear
implantation at early age. Presented at American Society of Pediatric
Otolaryngology, National Harbor, MD
- Durkee, L.**, Fredrickson, T., Uhler, K., Gilley, P., and Yoshinaga-Itano, C. (2016, March).
Sound Discrimination in Infants. Poster session at the annual Early Hearing
Detection and Intervention Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- Durkee, L.**, Fredrickson, T., Uhler, K., Gilley, P., and Yoshinaga-Itano, C. (2016, March).
Sound Discrimination in Infants. Poster session at the annual Early Hearing
Detection and Intervention Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- Durkee, L.**, Glick, H., Campbell, J., Peterson, J., & Sharma, A. (2014, April). Sensory Gating
in Hearing Loss. Poster session at the annual Cognitive Neuroscience Society
Meeting, Boston, MA.
- Sharma, A., Glick, H., & **Durkee, L.** (2013). Cortical plasticity and reorganization in hearing
loss. Auditory plasticity: Listening with the brain: Proceedings of the Fourth
International Symposium on Audiological and Auditory Research (ISAAR 2013).
- Campbell, J., **Durkee, L.**, & Sharma, A. (2013, November). Cross-modal reorganization in
adults with mild-moderate hearing loss. Poster session at the annual Society for
Neuroscience meeting, San Diego, CA.
- Peterson, J., **Durkee, L.**, Campbell, J., & Sharma, A. (2013, October). Cortical responses in
a sensory gating paradigm. Poster session at the annual Colorado Academy of
Audiology meeting, Keystone, CO.
- Campbell, J., **Durkee, L.**, Sharma, A. (2012, March). Cross-modal re-organization in adults
with hearing impairment. Poster session at the annual American Auditory Society
meeting, Scottsdale, AZ.
- Campbell, J., **Durkee, L.**, Sharma, A. (2011, December). Cross-modal neuroplasticity in
hearing loss. Poster session at the annual Front Range Neuroscience Meeting,
Fort Collins, CO.