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## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

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November 2004      Doctor of Audiology (AuD)  
Arizona School of Health Sciences, A.T. Still University of Health Sciences

August 1985        Master of Science in Audiology (MS)  
Purdue University.

May 1983           Bachelor of Science in Audiology and Speech Sciences (BS)  
Purdue University

## PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

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**2009 – Present      Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences  
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN**

2023- Present      Clinical Associate Professor

2019 – Present      Clinical Assistant Professor

2009 – 2018        Clinical Audiology Instructor

- Provide clinical supervision of doctoral level (Au.D.) students, direct diagnostic audiologic evaluations including amplification care to pediatric through adult patients, tinnitus evaluations, and manage university hearing conservation program

1992 – 2020        **Indiana University Health Arnett Audiology  
Lafayette, IN**  
Clinical Audiologist

- Provided direct diagnostic audiologic evaluations, otoacoustic emissions (OAE) testing, videonystagmography (VNG) testing, industrial hearing evaluations, ototoxic monitoring evaluations, hearing aid evaluations and fittings, and assistive listening device evaluations to patients

1988 – 1991        **St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center  
Lafayette, IN**  
Director, Audiology and Speech Pathology Department

- Oversaw day-to-day operations in active clinic providing both in-patient and out-patient services
- Supervised professional staff, front desk staff and coordinated student externship experiences

1985 – 1988        **St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center  
Lafayette, IN**  
Clinical Audiologist

- Provided direct audiologic services including diagnostic audiologic evaluations, electronystagmography (ENG) testing, industrial hearing evaluations, auditory brainstem response (ABR) testing, intraoperative monitoring, hearing aid evaluations and fittings, auditory processing evaluations, and assistive listening device evaluations to patients

## LICENSURE/CERTIFICATIONS

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2021 – 2026	American Academy of Audiology Certificate Holder – Tinnitus Management (CH-TM)
2019 – Present	Professional Supervisor of the Audiometric Monitoring Program (CPS/A) Council for Accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation (CAOHC)
2019 – Present	Course Director (CD) Council for Accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation (CAOHC)
2019 – Present	Mental Health First Aid USA Certification National Council for Behavioral Health
2010 – Present	Indiana First Steps Certification
1986 – Present	Audiology License, State of Indiana (#23001673A)
1986 – Present	Certificate of Clinical Competence – Audiology American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)
1985 – 1994	Hearing Aid Dealer Certificate, State of Indiana (#17000773A)

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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2022	Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA), 85 <sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Honors of the Association Award
2021	Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences, Purdue University Award for Exceptional Teaching and Instructional Support during the COVID-19 Team member
2021	Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA), 84 <sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Professional Achievement Award
2015	Purdue University Administrative and Professional Staff Advisory Committee Professional Development Award
2010	Purdue University Administrative and Professional Staff Advisory Committee Professional Development Award

## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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2020 – Present	National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA)
2019 – Present	ASHA Special Interest Group 11: Administration and Supervision
2017 – Present	ASHA Special Interest Group 8: Audiology and Public Health
2010 – Present	Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA)
1985 – Present	American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

## CLASSROOM / CLINICAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Fall 2009 – Present	SLHS 57900 Audiology Clinical Practicum/Purdue University Audiology Clinic
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Fall 2023	SLHS 579 Audiology Clinical Practicum   Purdue University Audiology Clinic Tinnitus Specialty Clinic
Spring 2020 – Present	SLHS 57000 Hearing Conservation
Spring 2015	SLHS 56800 Tinnitus Assessment and Rehabilitation
Spring 2022, 2023 Fall 2014, 2022	SLHS 49000 Undergraduate Audiology Clinical Observations

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS (GUEST LECTURES) IN COURSES**

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Spring 2023	SLHS 402 Introduction to Hearing Loss Treatment and Management Topic: Noise-Induced Hearing Loss
Summer 2022	SLHS 57900-I Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Adult Hearing Screening Boot-Camp
Summer 2022	SLHS 51800 Counseling in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Topic: Adult Counseling Round Table Discussion
Spring 2022	SLHS 579-II Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Real-Ear Measurement and Electroacoustic Analysis (EAC) Troubleshooting Patient Complaints Lab Activity
Spring 2022	SLHS 215 Exploring Audiology and Hearing Science Topic: Tinnitus
Spring 2021 - 2019	SLHS 57900-I Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Basic Hearing Aid Repair/Earmold Modification Lab Activity
Spring 2022*2018*	SLHS 61900 Advanced Topics in Audiology and Speech Pathology Topic: Audiological Considerations in Tinnitus Assessment & Management *Lecture simultaneously broadcast to affiliates at the Mexican College of Otology, Neuro- Otology and Skull Base Surgery (CMONCBC). Mexico City, Mexico.
Fall 2021-2023	SLHS 57900-I Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Basic Hearing Aid Repair Lab Activity
Fall 2021-2023	SLHS 57900-II Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Hearing Aid Troubleshooting Common Patient Complaints Lab Activity
Fall 2020	SLHS 51800 Counseling in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Topic: Adult Counseling Round Table Discussion
Fall 2019	SLHS 57900-I Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Basic Hearing Aid Repair Lab Activity
Fall 2019	SLHS 57900-II Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Earmold Modification Lab Activity

Summer 2019	SLHS 54900-4 Clinical Practice in Speech-Language Pathology Topic: Grassroots Advocacy Activity
Summer 2019	SLHS 51800 Counseling in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Topic: Adult Counseling Round Table Discussion
Summer 2019	SLHS 57900-II Clinical Practice in Audiology Topic: Pediatric Boot-Camp Play Audiometry
Spring 2019, 2017	SLHS 54400 Clinical School Methods for Communication Disorders Topic: Hearing Conservation Education for Children
Spring 2018, 2017	SLHS 21500 Exploring Audiology and Hearing Science Topic: Noise-Induced Hearing loss
Fall 2022	Evidence-Based AuD Project Committee Mentor Project: "The Importance of Hearing Conservation in College Orientation." – Madison McNeill
Fall 2021	Evidence-Based AuD Project Committee Mentor Project: "An Exploration of Hearing Health Behaviors in University Music Faculty, Staff, and Students." – Katarina Falero
Fall 2021	Evidence-Based AuD Project Committee Mentor Project: "Effect of Biological Sex on Quality of Life in Patients with Bothersome Tinnitus." – Anna Hopkins
Fall 2019	Evidence-Based AuD Project Committee Mentor Project: "Assessing the need for hearing conservation programs in agriculture-based organizations to improve self-awareness of Purdue University students." – Abby Maurer
Fall 2019	Evidence-Based AuD Project Committee Mentor Project: "Central Gain in "Normal-Hearing" Adults and Adults with Self-Reported Tinnitus." – Kelsey Dougherty
Spring 2019	Evidence-Based AuD Project Committee Mentor Project: "The Effect of Simultaneous Bilateral Cochlear Implantation versus Sequential Implantation on Individuals' Perceptions of Tinnitus." – Chloe Haygood
Spring 2017	Evidence-Based AuD Project Committee Mentor Project: "A case study: Is the LEVO tinnitus treatment more effective than hearing aid tinnitus treatment at reducing the perceptual effects of tinnitus?" – Claire Hauschildt

## PODIUM PRESENTATIONS

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Bible-Ramsey, E., Bilodeau, A., Freeman, J., Koehlinger-Wolf, K., and **Sommer, A.** (2023). "Updates From Your ASHA Ambassadors." 90-minute presentation, Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA) Convention (2023, April 14). Plainfield, IN.

Bilodeau, A. and **Sommer, A.** (2022). "Updates From Your ASHA Ambassadors." 60-minute presentation, Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA) Hybrid Conference (2022, April 8). Indianapolis, IN.

Bilodeau, A. and **Sommer, A.** (2021). "Updates From Your ASHA Ambassadors." 60-minute presentation, Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA) Virtual Conference (2021, April 10). Indianapolis, IN.  
**Sommer, A.** (2021). "Safe in Sound: Hearing Loss Prevention Education for Children." Invited Speaker 60-minute presentation, Illinois Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA) Virtual Annual Conference (2021, February 5). Recorded presentation available on-demand until March 31, 2021.

**Sommer, A.** (2020). "Safe in Sound: Hearing Loss Prevention Education for Children & Families." 90-minute presentation, Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA) Virtual Conference (2020, April 3). Indianapolis, IN.

**Sommer, A.** (2019). Tinnitus Assessment and Treatment. Webinar presentation, Mexican College of Otology, Neuro-Otology and Skull Base Surgery (CMONCBC). Seminar presented as part of the Annual Academic Program (February 28). Mexico City, Mexico

**Sommer, A.** (2010). "Hearing Conservation for School-Age Children." Indiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA) Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

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McNeill, M., and **Sommer, A.**, (2023). "The Importance of Hearing Conservation in College Orientation" National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA) Annual Convention (2023 February 21). Jacksonville, FL.

Falero, K., Heinz, M. and **Sommer, A.** (2022). "An Exploration of Hearing Health Behaviors in University Professors, Staff, and Students." National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA) Virtual Annual Convention.

Maurer, A, **Sommer, A.**, and Strickland, B. (2020). "Assessing the need for hearing conservation programs in agriculture-based organizations to improve self-awareness of Purdue University students." National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA) Annual Convention, Destin, FL.

Maurer, A, **Sommer, A.**, and Strickland, B. (2020). "Assessing the need for hearing conservation programs in agriculture-based organizations to improve self-awareness of Purdue University students." American Academy of Audiology (AAA) Annual Convention, New Orleans LA. Convention cancelled due to COVID-19.

**Sommer, A.** (2016). "Tinnitus 101: Bridging AuD Curriculum into Clinical Practice." American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA.

**Sommer, A** & Simpson, J.M. (2015). "Is your hearing conservation program effective? How to measure effectiveness of a hearing conservation program." American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Annual Convention, Denver, CO.

Simpson, J.M. & **Sommer, A.** (2014). "A University Hearing Conservation Program: Teaching Students and Serving the University." American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Annual Convention, Orlando, FL.

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Sommer, A.** (2022). Classroom to Clinic Connections: Enhancing Student Education in Hearing Aid Troubleshooting. *The Hearing Journal*. DOI: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000899308.15801.81

## NATIONAL SERVICE

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Spring 2023                      Member, 2024 Conference Committee Task Force - National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA)

Spring 2022	Member, 2023 Conference Committee Task Force - National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA)
Spring 2021	Appointed, Committee of Ambassadors (CoA) Indiana Audiology Representative, 3-year term (2021-2023). The Committee of Ambassadors (CoA) is charged by ASHA to serve as ambassadors by providing advocacy on and communication about the priorities of the Association to officials, constituents, peers, and the public at the workplace, local, state, and national levels.
Fall 2020	Invited member, Course Director Think Tank committee on Occupational Hearing Conservation (OHC) virtual training - Council for Accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation (CAOHC)
Fall 2020	Nominated, ASHA Committee of Ambassadors (CoA) Indiana Audiology Representative
Fall 2019	Member, ASHA Media Outreach Team. ASHA Campaign Safe Holiday Listening – Holiday Hearing Protection
Summer 2019	Member, ASHA Media Outreach Team. ASHA Campaign Make Summer a Season of Safe Listening
2018 – 2020	Elected member, ASHA Audiology Advisory Council (AAC) Indiana Representative

#### STATE SERVICE

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2023 – Present	Elected Executive Council (EC) member, ISHA Vice-President of Governmental Affairs
2019 – Present	Member, Indiana Committee for Communication Access (ICCA)
2017 – Present	Member, ISHA Legislative Team including annual Legislative Advocacy Day Event
2015 – Present	Elected Executive Council (EC) member, ISHA Vice-President of Audiology

#### DEPARTMENT SERVICE

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2020 – Present	Member, Au.D. Graduate Admissions Committee
2019 - Present	Clinical Faculty Professional Development Seminars
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2018 – Present	United Way Department Representative/SLHS Team Captain
2013 – 2017	Co-chair, Annual Crossroads Conference on Communicative Disorders
2009 – 2010	Heavilon Hall Risk Management – HIPPA Liaison

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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Fall 2009 – Present	Provide clinical services to pediatric through adult population including informational counseling, diagnostic assessments, and management of hearing loss through the M.D. Steer Purdue Audiology Clinic. Participate in Hearing Aid Assistance Program of Indiana (HAPPI)
Fall 2009 – Present	Manage the Purdue University Hearing Conservation Program (HCP) providing on-going educational counseling including written and video materials about the effects of noise, understanding audiometric test result and proper use of personal hearing protection. Collaborated with the Radiological and Environmental Management (REM) department in 2010 to produce a new university focused hearing conservation employee education video. Advocate for cost-effective, environmentally friendly, reliable hearing protection for employees by providing alternative custom earplugs.

Summer 2023	Expert, Associated Press (AP) in partnership with Purdue University "Expert Interview" Project Video Series. Topic: "4th of July Hearing Safety Awareness." Purdue University June 21, 2023.
Summer 2023	Expert, "Ask an HHS Expert" Project Video Series. Topic: 4th of July Hearing Safety Awareness." Purdue University June 21, 2023.
Summer 2022	Expert, Associated Press (AP) in partnership with Purdue University "Expert Interview" Project Video Series. Topic: Why Do My Ears Ring After a Loud Concert?" Purdue University July 26, 2022.
Fall 2022	Invited Speaker Provided 60-minute in-person presentation to the Purdue Retirees Association (PURA). Topic: Hearing Aid Technology Update (2022, October 3).
Spring 2021	Guest Speaker Provided 45-minute virtual presentation titled "Hearing Loss, Tinnitus & COVID" to the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) Michiana Chapter members. (2021, May 18).
Spring 2021	Guest Speaker Presented audiology advocacy education to students in the Purdue University Student Academy of Audiology (SAA).
Spring 2020	Invited Speaker. Purdue Acoustical Society Student Club. Topic: Noise-Induced Hearing Loss. (2020, April 9) Cancelled due to COVID-19.
Spring 2020	Guest Speaker Presented audiology related musical educational presentation involving Boomwhackers to students in the Purdue University Student Academy of Audiology (SAA).
Fall 2019	Educational program for Delphi Community School Corporation (co-presenter). Indiana First Grade Sound Curriculum Standard presentation for 110 students with Purdue Physics Department Outreach Coordinator, Dave Sederberg.
Fall 2019	Interviewed for newscast: Hackler, M. (2019, December 19). Proposed Indiana legislation requiring cCMV (congenital cytomegalovirus) screening for newborns. <i>TV-18 NEWS</i> . Aired December 19, 2019 on CBS 805 WLFIDT.
Fall 2019	Interviewed for newscast: Cantrell, A (2019, October 23). Hand dryers may be harmful to children's ears. <i>FOX-59 NEWS</i> .
Fall 2019	Guest Speaker Presented audiology related case presentation to students in the Purdue University Student Academy of Audiology (SAA).
Fall 2019	Participated in telecoil and hearing loop education event with members of the Purdue Student Academy of Audiology (SAA) at Elliott Hall of Music RENT performance.
Summer 2019	Supervised AuD graduate students at the Tippecanoe School Corporation (TSC) annual Backpack Splash Hearing Screening event for 85 of participants.

Summer 2018	Interviewed for online story: Doty, T. (2018, June 26). Fireworks are fun for the eyes, dangerous for the ears, say Purdue audiology expert. <i>Purdue University</i> . Retrieved June 26, 2018, from News: <a href="https://www.purdue.edu/newsroom/releases/2018/Q2/fireworks-are-fun-for-the-eyes,-dangerous-for-the-ears,-says-purdue-audiology-expert.html">https://www.purdue.edu/newsroom/releases/2018/Q2/fireworks-are-fun-for-the-eyes,-dangerous-for-the-ears,-says-purdue-audiology-expert.html</a>
Summer 2018	Interviewed for: Shipp, B. (2018, July 2). Audiology expert warns of holiday dangers. Purdue University. <i>The Exponent</i> , Vol. 132 – No. 46, p. 12.
Summer 2018	Interviewed for newscast: Goodwin, E. (2018, June 29). Fireworks are fun for the eyes, dangerous for the ears, say Purdue audiology expert. <i>STAR CITY NEWS</i> . Aired June 29, 2018 on ABC 16 WPBYLD.
Spring 2018	Interviewed for online story: Trippel, S. (2018, March 30). Anne Sommer AuDvocacy. American Academy of Audiology (AAA). Retrieved March 30, 2018, from News: <a href="https://saa.audiology.org/get-involved/advocacy/audvocacy-campaign">https://saa.audiology.org/get-involved/advocacy/audvocacy-campaign</a>
Spring 2017 - 2019	Professional Panel Participated in panel discussion related to the field of Audiology to students in the Purdue University National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association (NSSLHA)
Summer 2016	4-H High School Career Exploration Day “Hearing Conservation”
Spring 2015	Professional Panel Participated in panel discussion related to the field of Audiology to students in the Purdue University National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association (NSSLHA)
Fall 2015	Careers in Audiology. Middle School Career Fair Presentation Tecumseh Middle School, Lafayette Indiana Provided information on the field of audiology including education requirements and career opportunities
Summer 2012	4-H High School Career Exploration Day “Hearing Conservation”
Summer 2012	Experience Purdue Provided information on the field of audiology and hands-on experience with hearing conservation resources
Spring 2011 & 2012	Purdue University Annual Caregiver Fair Provided resource information regarding audiology services available
Fall 2011	M.D. Steer Audiology Clinic Wellness Hearing Screening Supervised AuD students during hearing screenings of adults
Spring 2010	Purdue University Annual Caregiver Fair Provided resource information regarding audiology services available
Fall 2010	Careers in Audiology. Middle School Career Fair Presentation Tecumseh Middle School, Lafayette Indiana Provided information on the field of audiology including education and career opportunities
Fall 2009	M.D. Steer Audiology Clinic Wellness Hearing Screening Supervised AuD students during hearing screenings of adult