New Century Scholars Doctoral Scholarship Recipients

2018

Awarded $10,000 each

Russell Edealo Banks
PhD Candidate
Michigan State University
Area of Study: Effects of Brain Injury on Speech and Voice

Natalie V. Covington
PhD Candidate
Vanderbilt University
Area of Study: Memory and Learning Profiles in Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury

James Arthur Curtis
PhD Candidate
Columbia University
Area of Study: Dysphagia; Objective Swallowing Assessment Techniques, and Targeted Treatment

Jessica Elsbeth Gormley
PhD Candidate
Pennsylvania State University
Area of Study: Augmentative and Alternative Communication Strategies for Children with Complex Communication Needs in Inpatient Settings

Brittany Nicole Jaekel
PhD Candidate
University of Maryland
Area of Study: Improving Speech Understanding Outcomes for Users of Cochlear Implants

Kelly N. Jahn
PhD Candidate
University of Washington
Area of Study: The Peripheral Auditory System and Interventions for Cochlear Implant Listeners

Heather M. Kabakoff
PhD Candidate
New York University
Area of Study: Speech Sound Disorders and Intervention for Children with Residual Speech Errors

Brittany N. Krekeler
PhD Candidate
University of Wisconsin–Madison
Area of Study: Swallowing and Exercise-Based Interventions for Dysphagia

Charles M. Lenell
PhD Candidate
New York University
Area of Study: *Voice and Swallowing Disorders in Aging Populations*

**Gabriela Meade**
PhD Candidate
San Diego State University/University of California, San Diego
Area of Study: *Neuro-Cognition of Language Comprehension; Visual Word Processing and Dyslexia*

**Vidisha G. Mohad**
PhD Candidate
University of Wisconsin–Madison
Area of Study: *Genetics of Vocal Fold Development*

**Cara Sauder**
PhD Candidate
University of Washington
Area of Study: *Assessment of Voice and Resonance Disorders*

**Maureen Shader**
PhD Candidate
University of Maryland
Area of Study: *Auditory Aging and Cochlear Implants*

**Kaila L. Stipancic**
PhD Candidate
MGH Institute of Health Professions
Area of Study: *Motor Control of Speech and Swallowing*

**Kacie E. Wittke**
PhD Candidate
University of Connecticut
Area of Study: *Children with Specific Language Impairment and Relationship of Non-Linguistic Deficits*

**Mary Claire Wofford**
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Florida State University
Area of Study: *Bilingual Language and Literacy Development*

2017

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**Laura S. Coco**
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University of Arizona
Area of Study: *Hearing Health Promotion*
Robert B. Fujiki
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Purdue University
Area of Study: *Voice and Swallowing*

**Jeffrey P. Johnson**
PhD Candidate
Boston University
Area of Study: *Aphasia; Neurogenic Language Disorders*

Emily E. Kimball
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Vanderbilt University
Area of Study: *Voice Physiology and Voice Disorders*

Marika R. King
PhD Candidate
Georgia State University
Area of Study: *Augmentative and Alternative Communication; Bilingual Language Development and Disorders*

Lauren L. Madhoun
PhD Candidate
Ohio State University
Area of Study: *Infant Swallowing; Craniofacial Disorders in Infants*

Jena C. McDaniel
PhD Candidate
Vanderbilt University
Area of Study: *Speech and Language Intervention for Children*

Shae D. Morgan
PhD Candidate
University of Utah
Area of Study: *Hearing and Speech Perception*

Trianna K. Oglivie
PhD Candidate
University of Arizona
Area of Study: *Treatment Outcomes for Children with Language and Speech Disorders*

Rachel D. Reetzke
PhD Candidate
University of Texas at Austin
Area of Study: *Speech Perception, Perceptual Learning and Neurodevelopmental Disorders*

Jaclyn R. Schurman
PhD Candidate
University of Maryland
Area of Study: *Speech Intelligibility and Comprehension Performance for Older Adults*
Sharon S. Tang  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin–Madison  
Area of Study: Speech and Voice Disorders

Thelma E. Uzonyi  
PhD Candidate  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Area of Study: Parent-Child Engagement in Language Acquisition

Caitlin J. Vose  
PhD Candidate  
Arizona State University  
Area of Study: Genetics of Speech Sound Disorders

2016

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Beatriz Barragan  
PhD Candidate  
Arizona State University  
Area of Study: Motor Processes Underlying Second Language Comprehension

Milijana Buac  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Area of Study: Bilingual Language Development

Laura R. Chapman  
PhD Candidate  
Ohio University  
Area of Study: Adult Neurogenic Language Disorders

Julie Cohen  
PhD Candidate  
University of Maryland  
Area of Study: Impact of Hearing Loss and Hearing Aids on Real-World Communication  
Wayne and Marilyn Olsen Audiology Research Fund

Claire E. Cordella  
PhD Candidate  
Harvard University  
Area of Study: Motor Speech Deficits in Neurodegenerative Disorders

Marziye Eshghi  
PhD Candidate  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Area of Study: Velopharyngeal Dysfunction and Resonance Disorders
Lisa M. Fitton  
PhD Candidate  
Florida State University  
Area of Study: Bilingual Early Language and Literacy Development

Zoi Gkalitsiou  
PhD Candidate  
University of Texas at Austin  
Area of Study: Fluency; Stuttering in Bilingual Children

Hannah A. Glick  
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University of Colorado, Boulder  
Area of Study: Auditory Neuroscience; Age-Related Hearing Loss and Cognitive Decline

David J. Hajjar  
PhD Candidate  
Ohio University  
Area of Study: Augmentative and Alternative Communication

Naomi Hertsberg  
PhD Candidate  
University of Iowa  
Area of Study: Developmental Stuttering

Hannah M. Julien  
PhD Candidate  
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities  
Area of Study: Social Communication Skills and Autism Spectrum Disorders

Cagla Kantarcigil  
PhD Candidate  
Purdue University  
Area of Study: Dysphagia Diagnosis and Rehabilitation; Telepractice in Underserved Areas

Kwang Seob Kim  
PhD Candidate  
University of Washington  
Area of Study: Speech Motor Control; Stuttering

Erin L. Meier  
PhD Candidate  
Boston University  
Area of Study: Aphasia and Beneficial Neural Reorganization of Language

Rocio S. Norman  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Area of Study: Traumatic Brain Injury and Cognitive-Communication Disorders
Evan R. Usler  
PhD Candidate  
Purdue University  
Area of Study: Cognitive Neuroscience; Developmental Stuttering

2015

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Carmel E. Brookshire  
PhD Candidate  
University of Washington  
Area of Study: Acquired Reading Impairment in Individuals with Aphasia

Julie E. Case  
PhD Candidate  
New York University  
Area of Study: Speech Motor Control in Children

Nicole E. Corbin  
PhD Candidate  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Area of Study: Pediatric Audiology and Auditory Development

Barbara J. Cunningham  
PhD Candidate  
McMaster University  
Area of Study: Speech-Language Treatment Outcomes for Preschoolers

Meghan M. Davidson  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Area of Study: Language, Cognition, and Literacy in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Mackenzie E. Fama  
PhD Candidate  
Georgetown University  
Area of Study: Cognitive Neuroscience, Aphasia, and Language Recovery

Samantha J. Gustafson  
PhD Candidate  
Vanderbilt University  
Area of Study: Influence of Hearing Loss and Assistive Technology on Developmental Outcomes in Children

Davis E. Henderson  
PhD Candidate  
Arizona State University  
Area of Study: Accurate Dynamic Assessment of Language in Native American Children
Tess K. Koerner  
PhD Candidate  
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities  
Area of Study: Auditory Neuroscience and Speech Perception in Noise

Mara E. Steinberg Lowe  
PhD Candidate  
New York University  
Area of Study: Language Processing and Production; Fluency Disorders

Mirza Jeannette Lugo-Neris  
PhD Candidate  
University of Texas at Austin  
Area of Study: Bilingual Language and Cognition

Jennifer P. Lundine  
PhD Candidate  
Ohio State University  
Area of Study: Cognition and Language Following Pediatric Brain Injury

Elizabeth Heller Murray  
PhD Candidate  
Boston University  
Area of Study: Voice, Resonance, and Potential Sensory Deficits in Individuals with Voice Disorders

Kathryn H. O'Brien  
PhD Candidate  
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities  
Area of Study: Cognitive Rehabilitation After Traumatic Brain Injury

Nancy A. Quick  
PhD Candidate  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Area of Study: Pediatric Auditory Rehabilitation and Literacy Outcomes

Shannon MacKenzie Sheppard  
PhD Candidate  
San Diego State University/University of California, San Diego  
Area of Study: Sentence Processing in Aphasia

Spencer B. Smith  
PhD Candidate  
University of Arizona  
Area of Study: Auditory Neuroscience and Electrophysiology

Elizabeth A. Wieland  
PhD Candidate  
Michigan State University  
Area of Study: Developmental Stuttering
Jennifer M. Zuk  
PhD Candidate  
Harvard University  
Area of Study: Cognitive Neuroscience; Child Speech, Language and Literacy Disorders

2014

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Andrea Barton-Hulsey  
PhD Candidate  
Georgia State University  
Area of Study: Augmentative and Alternative Communication; Reading Development

William J. Bologna  
PhD Candidate  
University of Maryland  
Area of Study: Hearing and Multi-Speaker Speech Perception  
Wayne and Marilyn Olsen Audiology Research Fund

Jessica G. Caron  
PhD Candidate  
Pennsylvania State University  
Area of Study: Augmentative and Alternative Communication; Application of Mobile Technology Access

Lynda G. Feenaughty  
PhD Candidate  
University at Buffalo  
Area of Study: Motor Speech Disorders and Communication in Individuals with Neurodegenerative Disease

Mianisha Finney  
PhD Candidate  
Ohio University  
Area of Study: Specific Language Impairment in Children and the Role of Cognitive Mechanisms

Megan Gross  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Area of Study: Language Control and Code-Switching in Bilingual Children

Corinne Jones  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Area of Study: Sensorimotor Control of Voice and Swallowing in Parkinson Disease
Casey S. Keck
PhD Candidate
University of Cincinnati
Area of Study: Pediatric Traumatic Brain Injury; Telehealth

Aarthi Madhavan
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University of Florida
Area of Study: Preclinical Dysphagia in Healthy Elderly Adults and Elderly Adults at Risk for Dysphagia

Megann N. McGill
PhD Candidate
University of Texas at Austin
Area of Study: Fluency Disorders and Phonological Working Memory

Jana Mueller
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University of Texas at Dallas
Area of Study: Cognitive-Communication Rehabilitation in Individuals with Acquired Brain Injury

Carolyn K. Novaleski
PhD Candidate
Vanderbilt University
Area of Study: Voice Disorders and Biological Examination of Phonotrauma

Austin L. Oder
PhD Candidate
University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Area of Study: Neuroscience of Early Communication; Infant Brain Development of Oral Motor Control

Jessie N. Patterson
PhD Candidate
University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Area of Study: Vestibular and Balance Science; Post-Concussion Deficits and Assessment

Ileana Ratiu
PhD Candidate
Arizona State University
Area of Study: Bilingualism and Traumatic Brain Injury

Melissa C. Sherman
PhD Candidate
University of Texas at Dallas
Area of Study: Language Acquisition and Word Learning in Children

Jarrad Van Stan
PhD Candidate
MGH Institute of Health Professions
Area of Study: Voice Assessment and Rehabilitation; Ambulatory Monitoring and Biofeedback
Sarah Villard
PhD Candidate
Boston University
Area of Study: Aphasia Rehabilitation and the Role of Cognitive Processes and Attention

2013

Awarded $10,000 each

Garrett Cardon
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University of Colorado, Boulder
Area of Study: Audiology and Cognitive Neuroscience

Frances Sayako Earle
PhD Candidate
University of Connecticut
Area of Study: Perceptual Learning and Emergence of Phonetic Categories

William Evans
PhD Candidate
Boston University
Area of Study: Cognitive Communication Deficits in Aphasia

Carolyn Falconer-Horne
PhD Candidate
New York University
Area of Study: Neurorehabilitation of Aphasia and Related Motor Speech Disorders

Michelle Ferrill
PhD Candidate
San Diego State University/University of California, San Diego
Area of Study: Lexical Access and Auditory Language Processing in Aphasia

Kendrea Focht
PhD Candidate
Medical University of South Carolina
Area of Study: Age-Related Swallowing Changes Across the Healthy Adult Lifespan

Laura Grant
PhD Candidate
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Area of Study: Neural Mechanisms Underlying Voice and Swallow Function

Teresa Gray
PhD Candidate
Boston University
Area of Study: Bilingual Aphasia and Language Access
Kathryn Greenslade
PhD Candidate
University of Washington
Area of Study: Social-Communication Impairments in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Leah Helou
PhD Candidate
University of Pittsburgh
Area of Study: Voice Biomechanics and Mind-Voice Pathways

Derek Isetti
PhD Candidate
University of Washington
Area of Study: Spasmodic Dysphonia and Psychosocial Consequences of Living with Chronic Voice Disorders

Katrina McClannahan
PhD Candidate
University of Washington
Area of Study: Neural Mechanisms of Perceptual Learning Related to Rehabilitation of People with Hearing Loss

Thomas Page
PhD Candidate
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Area of Study: Communication Development in Children with Hearing Loss

Allison Schaser
PhD Candidate
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Area of Study: Voice and Swallowing: Effects of Age and Exercise-Related Changes

Adam Svec
PhD Candidate
University of Minnesota
Area of Study: Speech Perception in Background Noise and Listeners with Hearing Loss

Brian Weiler
PhD Candidate
Vanderbilt University
Area of Study: Child Language Disorders, Grammatical Morphology, and Complex Syntax Development

2012

Awarded $10,000 each

Rachael R. Baiduc
PhD Candidate
Northwestern University
Area of Study: Auditory Function and High-Risk Patients

**Janine L.S. Bartley**  
PhD Candidate  
Florida State University  
Area of Study: *Early Intervention and Autism Spectrum Disorder*

**Michael I. Burns**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Washington  
Area of Study: *Patient-Provider Communication During Medical Interactions*

**Geoffrey A. Coalson**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Texas at Austin  
Area of Study: *Language-based Variables on Developmental Stuttering*

**Emily O'Dell Garnett**  
PhD Candidate  
University of South Carolina  
Area of Study: *Fluency Disorders; Neurogenic Communication Disorders*

**Allison Gladfelter**  
PhD Candidate  
Purdue University  
Area of Study: *Language Development and Autism Spectrum Disorder*

**Julia Hollister**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Iowa  
Area of Study: *Fluency and Impacts of Language and Temperament*

**Marie Jette**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Area of Study: *Laryngeal Disease*

**Suzanne N. King**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Area of Study: *Vocal Fold Scarring*

**Benjamin Kirby**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Iowa  
Area of Study: *Cortical Evoked Potentials and Auditory Prostheses*
Emily Lund  
PhD Candidate  
Vanderbilt University  
Area of Study: *Word-learning in Monolingual and Bilingual Children with Hearing Loss*

Sara K. Mamo  
PhD Candidate  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
Area of Study: *Speech Perception and Aging Auditory System*

Jennifer Mozeiko  
PhD Candidate  
University of Connecticut  
Area of Study: *Traumatic Brain Injury; Aphasia*

Sofia M. Souto  
PhD Candidate  
Indiana University, Bloomington  
Area of Study: *Bilingual Language Development and Specific Language Impairment*

Rene Lynn Utianski  
PhD Candidate  
Arizona State University  
Area of Study: *Auditory Cognitive Neuroscience*

Sofia Vallila  
PhD Candidate  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Area of Study: *Aphasia Rehabilitation; Learning and Memory*

Aaron Ziegler  
PhD Candidate  
University of Pittsburgh  
Area of Study: *Voice Science; Vocal Biomechanics*

2011

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Samira Anderson  
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Northwestern University

Rebecca S. Bartlett  
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Naomi Bramhall  
PhD Candidate  
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Kathryn L. Cabbage  
PhD Candidate  
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Ai Leen Choo  
PhD Candidate  
University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign

Meghan Darling  
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Alexandra Parbery-Clark  
PhD Candidate  
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Amy L. Schwarz  
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Samantha E. Shune  
PhD Candidate  
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Lisa Wisman Weil  
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2010

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Julia Campbell  
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Elizabeth Erickson  
PhD Candidate  
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Gerasimos Fergadiotis  
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Arizona State University

Jenya Iuzzini  
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Indiana University

Lisa LaGorio  
PhD Candidate  
University of Florida

Giang T. Pham  
PhD Candidate  
University of Minnesota

Mary Beth Schmitt  
PhD Candidate  
The Ohio State University

Krystal L. Werfel  
PhD Candidate  
Vanderbilt University

2009

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Francois-Xavier Brajot  
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McGill University

Skott Freedman  
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San Diego State University/University of California

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PhD Candidate  
Vanderbilt University

Skyler Jennings  
PhD Candidate  
Purdue University

Raul Rojas  
PhD Candidate  
Temple University
Emily Rusnak  
PhD Candidate  
Bowling Green State University

Emily Aileen Zimmerman  
PhD Candidate  
University of Kansas

2008

Awarded $10,000 each

Sophie Ambrose  
PhD Candidate  
University of Kansas

Megha Bahl  
PhD Candidate  
University of Arizona

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PhD candidate  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Deanna Britton  
PhD Candidate  
University of Washington

Jamie L. Desjardins  
PhD Candidate  
Syracuse University

Kerry Danahy Ebert  
PhD Candidate  
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Aaron M. Johnson  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin, Madison

Karen Le  
PhD Candidate  
University of Connecticut

Jimin Lee  
PhD Candidate  
University of Wisconsin, Madison
**Megan K. McPherson**  
PhD Candidate  
Purdue University

**Kimberly M. Meigh**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Pittsburgh

**Brandi L. Newkirk**  
PhD Candidate  
Louisiana State University

**Gayla L. Poling**  
PhD Candidate  
Ohio State University

**Meredith A. Poore**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Kansas

**Amy D. Rodriquez**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Florida

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PhD Candidate  
University of Iowa

**April Gibbs Scott**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Pittsburgh

**Elizabeth Spencer**  
PhD Candidate  
Vanderbilt University

**Michelle S. Troche**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Florida

**Yihe Zu**  
PhD Candidate  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2007

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Suzanne Adlof
PhD Candidate
University of Kansas

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PhD Candidate
University of Washington

Bharath Chandrasekaran
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Purdue University

Robin Samlan
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University of Arizona

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PhD Candidate
San Diego State University/University of California, San Diego

2006

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Lauren Calandruccio
PhD Candidate
Syracuse University

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PhD Candidate
University of California, Irvine

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PhD Candidate
University of Florida

Yunjung Kim
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University of Wisconsin-Madison

Elizabeth C. Walker
PhD Candidate
University of Iowa
2005

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Katrina B. Agung
PhD candidate
University of Texas at Dallas

Adriane DeMarco Baylis
PhD candidate
University of Minnesota

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Indiana University

Lizbeth H. Finestack
PhD candidate
The University of Kansas

Jason Tait Sanchez
PhD candidate
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Jennell C. Vick
PhD candidate
University of Washington

2004

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Lendra Friesen
PhD candidate
University of Washington

Michael J. Hammer
PhD candidate
University of Kansas

William D. Hula
PhD candidate
University of Pittsburgh

Diane Ogiela
PhD candidate
Michigan State University
Louise Stanczak  
ScD candidate  
Boston University

2003

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Shannon Austermann  
PhD candidate  
San Diego State University and University of California-San Diego

Cathy Binger  
PhD candidate  
Pennsylvania State University

Gayle DeDe  
ScD candidate  
Boston University

Melanie Gregan  
PhD candidate  
University of Minnesota

Esther S. Kim  
PhD candidate  
University of Arizona

Nathan V. Welham  
PhD candidate  
University of Wisconsin-Madison