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# EDUCATION AND POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING

Hamilton College Dean's List

Psi Chi (International Psychology Honor Society) Inductee

EDUCATION AND POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING	
Harvard University, Cambridge, MA	September 2025 - Present
Laboratory for Developmental Studies, Department of Psychology	-
Postdoctoral Research Fellow; Advisor: Elika Bergelson, PhD	
Harvard University, Cambridge, MA	May 2025
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Division of Medical Sciences	•
PhD in Speech and Hearing Bioscience and Technology (SHBT)	
Dissertation: The Role of the Motor System in Speech and Lang	
Dissertation Advisor: John D. E. Gabrieli, PhD; Massachusetts	Institute of Technology
Boston University, Boston, MA	September 2015
Sargent College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences	
Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology	
Hamilton College, Clinton, NY	May 2013
Bachelor of Arts in Neuroscience, magna cum laude	
Thesis: Communication in Autism: Neural Mechanisms of Emor	tional Face Processing
Thesis Advisor: Jeremy Skipper, PhD	
GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS	
NIH/NIDCD F31 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Av	ward 2023 – 2025
Title: The Role of the Motor System in Speech and Language in Autism	1
Role: PI; Total costs: \$74,444	
<b>Autism Science Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship</b>	2023 – 2024, <i>Declined</i>
Amelia Peabody Scholarship, Harvard University	2021 - 2022
NIH/NIDCD T32 Institutional National Research Service Award	2019 - 2021
HONORS AND AWARDS	
MGH Institute of Health Professions Faculty Award for Excellence in T	Teaching 2023
ASHA Meritorious Poster Award	2023
Wiley Top Cited Article in Autism Research Journal Award	2022
Resident Assistant Scholar Award, Boston University	2014
Graduate Scholarship, Boston University	2013 - 2014
Honors in Neuroscience, Hamilton College	2013
Hamilton College Service Prize	2013
Hamilton College Outstanding Community Contributions Award	2011 - 2013
Hamilton Callege Dearly List	2010 2012

2010 - 2013

2012

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE  Bergelson Lab, Postdoctoral Fellow  Harvard University  PI: Elika Bergelson	September 2025 - Present
Gabrieli Lab, <i>Graduate Researcher</i> Massachusetts Institute of Technology PI: John Gabrieli, PhD	September 2019 - 2025
Sinha Lab, <i>Graduate Researcher</i> Massachusetts Institute of Technology PI: Pawan Sinha, PhD	September 2019 - 2022
Autism Language Program, <i>Clinical Researcher</i> Boston Children's Hospital at Waltham PI: Howard C. Shane, PhD	June 2015 - July 2019
Translational Neuroscience Center, <i>Volunteer Research Assistant</i> Boston Children's Hospital PI: Mustafa Sahin, MD, PhD & Charles Nelson, PhD	September 2016 - 2019
Aphasia Lab, Research Assistant Boston University PI: Swathi Kiran, PhD	Summer 2014
Language, Action, and the Brain Lab, <i>Research Assistant</i> Hamilton College PI: Jeremy Skipper, PhD	May 2011 - May 2013
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	
Instructor of Record Research Design & Evidence Based Practice, MGH Institute of Health	h Professions 2023
Physiology, Acoustics, and Perception of Speech, MGH Institute of H	Iealth Professions 2022
<u>Teaching Fellow</u> Typical and Atypical Neurodevelopment, Harvard University Professors: Nadine Gaab, PhD and Charles Nelson, PhD	2020, 2021, 2022
Children with Learning and Developmental Differences, Harvard University  Professor: Nadine Gaab, PhD  2022	
Children with Learning and Developmental Differences: A Vision for Community Supports and Service Implementation, Harv Professor: Nadine Gaab, PhD	2021 ard University
Children with Learning and Developmental Differences: Policymaking and Systems-Level Translation and Coordination	2021

2014

Professor: Nadine Gaab, PhD

Introduction to Clinical Process, Boston University

Professor: Elizabeth Hoover, PhD

#### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Nishith, S.\*, **O'Brien, A. M.\***, Li, C., Bungert, L., Oddis, K., Riddle, J., & Gabrieli, J. (2025). Improving autistic experiences in the workplace: Key factors and actionable steps. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*. (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors) [In Press]

- 2. **O'Brien, A. M.,** May, T. A., Koskey, K. L. K., Bungert, L., Cardinaux, A., Cannon, J., Treves, I. N., D'Mello, A. M., Joseph, R. M., Li, C., Diamond, S., Gabrieli, J. D. E., Sinha, P. (2024). Development of a self-report measure of prediction in daily life: The prediction-related experiences questionnaire. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-024-06379-2">https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-024-06379-2</a>
- 3. Bungert, C., Li, C., Cardinaux, A., **O'Brien, A. M.**, Cannon, J., Shkolnik, V., Gabrieli, J. D. E., Strang, J., & Sinha, P. (2024). Proportional over-representation of gender diverse identities in two US-based autistic adult samples from the SPARK database. *Autism in Adulthood*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1089/aut.2023.0121">https://doi.org/10.1089/aut.2023.0121</a>
- 4. Treves, I. N., Cannon, J., Shin, E., Li, C. E., Bungert, L., **O'Brien, A.**, Cardinaux, A., Sinha, P., & Gabrieli, J. D. E. (2023). Autistic adults show intact learning on a visuospatial serial reaction time task. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-023-05894-y">https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-023-05894-y</a>
- 5. Cannon, J., Eldracher, E., Cardinaux, A., Irfan, F., Bungert, L., Li, C., **O'Brien, A.**, Treves, I., Diamond, S., & Sinha, P. (2023). Rhythmic and interval-based temporal orienting in autism. *Autism Research*, 1–11. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1002/aur.2892">https://doi.org/10.1002/aur.2892</a>
- 6. **O'Brien, A. M.**, Perrachione, T. K., Wisman Weil, L., Sanchez Araujo, Y., Halverson, K., Harris, A., Ostrovskaya, I., Kjelgaard, M., Wexler, K., Tager-Flusberg, H., Gabrieli, J. D. E., & Qi, Z. (2023). Altered engagement of the speech motor network is associated with reduced phonological working memory in autism. *NeuroImage: Clinical*, 37, 103299. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nicl.2022.103299">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nicl.2022.103299</a>
- 7. Cannon, J.\*, **O'Brien, A. M.\***, Bungert, L., & Sinha, P. (2021). Prediction in Autism Spectrum Disorder: A systematic review of empirical evidence. *Autism Research*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1002/aur.2482">https://doi.org/10.1002/aur.2482</a> (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors)
- 8. **O'Brien, A. M.**, Bayet, L., Riley, K., Nelson, C., Sahin, M., & Modi, M. (2020). Characterization of speech and non-speech auditory event related activity in children with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex. *Frontiers in Integrative Neuroscience*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.3389/fnint.2020.00014">https://doi.org/10.3389/fnint.2020.00014</a>
- 9. **O'Brien, A. M.,** Schlosser, R. W., Shane, H. C., Wendt, O. Yu, C., Allen, A. A., Cullen, J., Benz, A., & O'Neill, L. (2020). Providing visual directives via a smart watch to a student with

- Autism Spectrum Disorder: An intervention note. *Augmentative and Alternative Communication*, 36(4), 249-256. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1080/07434618.2020.1862299">https://doi.org/10.1080/07434618.2020.1862299</a>
- 10. **O'Brien, A. M.,** Schlosser, R., Yu, C., Allen, A. A., & Shane, H. C. (2020). Repurposing a smartwatch to support individuals with autism spectrum disorder: Sensory and operational considerations. *Journal of Special Education Technology*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1177/0162643420904001">https://doi.org/10.1177/0162643420904001</a>
- 11. Yu, C., Shane, H. C., Schlosser, R. W., **O'Brien, A.,** Allen, A. A., Abramson, J., & Flynn, S. (2018). An exploratory study of speech-language pathologists using the Echo Show<sup>TM</sup> to deliver visual content. *Advances in Neurodevelopmental Disorders*, *2*(3), 286-292. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s41252-018-0075-3">https://doi.org/10.1007/s41252-018-0075-3</a>
- 12. **O'Brien, A.,** O'Brien, M., Schlosser, R. W., Yu, C., Allen, A. A., Flynn, S., Costello, J., & Shane, H. (2017). Repurposing consumer products as a gateway to just-in-time communication. *Seminars in Speech and Language*, 38(04), 297-312. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1055/s-0037-1604277">https://doi.org/10.1055/s-0037-1604277</a>
- 13. Schlosser, R. W., **O'Brien, A.,** Yu, C., Abramson, J., Allen, A., Flynn, S., & Shane, H. C. (2017). Repurposing everyday technologies to provide just-in-time visual supports to children with intellectual disability and autism: A pilot feasibility study with the Apple Watch<sup>®</sup>. *International Journal of Developmental Disabilities*, 63(4), 221-227. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1080/20473869.2017.1305138">https://doi.org/10.1080/20473869.2017.1305138</a>
- 14. **O'Brien, A.,** Schlosser, R. W., Yu, C., Abramson, J., Allen, A., Flynn, S., & Shane, H. C. (2016). Brief report: Just-in-time visual supports to children with autism via the Apple Watch®: A pilot feasibility study. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, 46, 3818-23. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-016-2891-5">https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-016-2891-5</a>

#### PRE-PRINTS/ MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

- 1. Ozernov-Palchik, O.\*, **O'Brien, A. M.\***, Lee, E. J., Richardson, H., Romeo, R., Lipkin, B., Small, H., Capella, J., Nieto-Castañón, A., Saxe, R., Gabrieli, J. D. E., & Fedorenko, E. (2024). Precision fMRI reveals that the language network exhibits adult-like left-hemispheric lateralization by 4 years of age. *bioRxiv*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.05.15.594172">https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.05.15.594172</a> (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors) [In revision]
- 2. **O'Brien, A.M.,** Sullivan, E., & Gaab, N. (2024, February 22). Streamlining Care Coordination for Students with Specific Learning Disabilities: Identifying Barriers and Effective Solutions. <a href="https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/skxt2">https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/skxt2</a> [In revision]
- 3. Bagheri, S., Cardinaux, A., Bungert, L., Li, C. E., **O'Brien, A. M.**, Sinha, P., & Cannon, J. (2025). Reduced anticipatory motor preparation and altered EEG signatures of prediction in autistic adults. https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/297tq\_v1 [Under review]

### PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

1. Johnson, K., **O'Brien, A.,** Kershenbaum, A., Narain, J. Radhakrishnan, S., & Picard, R. (2022). Affective ratings of nonverbal vocalizations produced by minimally-speaking

- individuals: What do naive listeners perceive? *Proceedings of the International Conference on Affective Computing and Intelligent Interaction (ACII)*, pp. 1-8. https://doi.org/10.1109/ACII55700.2022.9953820
- Ahsen, T., Yu, C., O'Brien, A., Schlosser, R. W., Shane, H. C. S., Oesch-Emmel, D., Crehan, E. T., & Dogar, F. (2022). Designing a customizable picture-based augmented reality application for therapists and educational professionals working in autistic contexts. In Proceedings of the 24th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility (ASSETS '22). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY. https://doi.org/10.1145/3517428.3544884
- 3. Narain, J.\*, Johnson, K.\*, Ferguson, C., **O'Brien, A.,** Talkar, T., Zhang, Y., Wofford, P., Quatieri, T., Maes, P., & Picard, R. (2021). Personalized modeling of real-world vocalizations from nonverbal individuals. In *Proceedings of the International Conference on Multimodal Interactions (ICMI)*, pp. 665-669. <a href="https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/3382507.3418854">https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/3382507.3418854</a> (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors)
- 4. Narain, J.\*, Johnson, K.\*, **O'Brien, A.,** Wofford, P., A., Maes, P., & Picard, R. (2020). Nonverbal vocalizations as speech: Characterizing natural environment audio from nonverbal individuals with autism. In *Proceedings of the International Workshop on Laughter and Nonverbal Vocalisations*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.4119/lw2020-923">https://doi.org/10.4119/lw2020-923</a> (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors)

### PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

### International

- 1. D'Mello, A. M., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Perrachione, T. K., Gabrieli, J. D. E. (April 2024). Autistic adults show increased variability in cortical selectivity across social and non-social domains. Symposium: Leveraging social cognitive neuroscience tools to characterize heterogeneity in autism spectrum disorder. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting*, Toronto, Canada.
- 2. Yu, C., Shane, H., Schlosser, R., **O'Brien, A.,** Allen, A, Flynn, S. (September 2019). An exploratory study of speech-language pathologists using the Echo Show to deliver visual supports. *Annual Convention of Assistive Technology and Disabilities*. Rome, Italy.
- 3. **O'Brien, A.,** Schlosser, R. W., Abramson, J., Allen, A., Flynn, S., & Shane, H. C. (August 2016). Just-in-time support: Delivery and use through wearable technology. *International Society for Alternative and Augmentative Communication Annual Meeting*. Toronto, Canada.

### National

- 1. **O'Brien, A. M.,** Liu, T., Cardinaux, A., Gabrieli, J. D. E., & Zuk, J. (December 2024). "Why don't the words matter more?": Autistic experiences related to perceiving and producing prosody. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Seattle, WA.
- 2. Costello, J., Dellea, P., Fields-McMahon, L., O'Brien, M., **O'Brien, A.**, Yu, C., Rose, E., & Mancini, D. (January 2019). AAC: Interprofessional practice, clinical innovations, and evidence-based practice. Full day pre-conference seminar. *Assistive Technology Industry Association Conference*. Orlando, FL.

- 3. Yu, C., Shane, H. C., **O'Brien, A.**, Allen, A., Schlosser, R. W., & Flynn, S. (November 2018). Dynamic assessment of individuals with autism: Visual Immersion System- Developmental Framework (VIS-DF) scale. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Boston, MA.
- 4. **O'Brien, A.,** Shane, H. C., Schlosser, R. W., Cullen, J., Benz, A., Allen, A. A., & Yu, C. (November 2018). From the clinic to the classroom: Repurposing the Apple Watch to support learners with autism. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Boston, MA.
- 5. Yu, C., **O'Brien, A.** Schlosser, R. W., Abramson, J., Allen, A., Flynn, S., & Shane, H. C. (November 2017). Enhancing language in autism: Implementation of the visually immersive developmental framework in clinical practice. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Los Angeles, CA.
- 6. **O'Brien, A.,** O'Brien, M., Schlosser, R. W., Yu, C., Allen, A. A., Flynn, S., Costello, J., & Shane, H. C. (November 2017). Just-in-time supports to enhance communication: Implications for individuals with autism, acquired brain injury, and beyond. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Los Angeles, CA.
- 7. Yu, C., **O'Brien, A.** Schlosser, R. W., Abramson, J., Allen, A., Flynn, S., & Shane, H. C. (November 2016). Enhancing language in autism: A visually immersive developmental framework. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Philadelphia, PA.

### PEER-REVIEWED PANELS

- 1. **O'Brien, A. M.** Quantification of language and communication in minimally verbal individuals (May 2022). *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Austin, TX. [Panel Discussant]
- 2. Johnson, K., Narain, J., **O'Brien, A.**, Kershenbaum, A., Quatieri, T., Picard, R. (May 2022). Phonemic content of nonverbal vocalizations from individuals with 0-10 spoken words. Panel presentation. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Austin, TX.
- 3. Narain, J., Johnson, K., **O'Brien, A.**, Kershenbaum, A., Quatieri, T., Picard, R., Maes, P. (May 2022). Acoustic features and model to classify affect and communicative intent of nonverbal vocalizations from minimally speaking individuals with autism. Panel presentation. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Austin, TX.

### PEER-REVIEWED POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 1. Ciriello, A., **O'Brien, A.M.**, Hu, A., Gabrieli, J.D.E., & Qi, Z. (November 2025). Superior linguistic statistical learning in language-intact individuals with autism. *Boston University Conference on Language Development*. Boston, MA.
- 2. Ciriello, A., **O'Brien, A.M.**, Hu, A., Gabrieli, J.D.E., & Qi, Z. (September 2025). Intact Engagement of Speech Production Regions during Implicit Linguistic Learning in Autistic Adults. *Society for the Neurobiology of Language*. Washington DC.

- 3. **O'Brien, A.M.,** Cardinaux, A.L., Li, C.E., Quan, L., & Gabrieli, J.D.E. (May 2025). Autistic prosody: Relationship between self-reported experiences, acoustic measures, and autism traits. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Seattle, WA.
- 4. Ciriello, A., **O'Brien, A.M.,** Gabrieli, J.D.E., Qi, Z. (2025). The role of the speech-production system in implicit linguistic learning: An fMRI study. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society (CNS) Annual Meeting*. Boston, MA.
- 5. Radhadkrishnan, S., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Quatieri, T., & Johnson, K. (May 2024). An exploratory investigation of acoustic features underlying arousal and valence perception of vocalizations from non-speaking individuals. *86th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America*. Ottawa, Canada.
- 6. Nishith, S.\*, **O'Brien, A. M.\***, Li, C., Bungert, L., Kwon, J., Oddis, K., Riddle, J., & Gabrieli, J.D.E. (November 2023). Positive and negative factors related to employment experiences of autistic adults with and without ADHD. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Boston, MA. (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors); [Selected for Meritorious Poster Award]
- 7. **O'Brien, A. M.,** Gabrieli, J.D.E., & D'Mello, A. M. (May 2023). Increased variability of brain activation in autistic adults. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Stockholm, Sweden.
- 8. Bungert, L., Li, C., Cardinaux, A., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Cannon, J., Shkolnik, V, Gabrieli, J. D. E. Sinha, P., & Strang, J. F. (May 2023). Proportional over-representation of gender-diverse identities in two US-based autistic adult samples recruited through the SPARK database. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Stockholm, Sweden.
- 9. **O'Brien, A. M.,** Ozernov-Palchik O., D'Mello, A. M., Sinha, P., & Gabrieli, J. D. E. (March 2023). Categorical perception in autistic adults: The *who* and the *how* matter. *Meeting on Language in Autism.* Durham, NC.
- 10. Johnson, K. T., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Radhadkrishnan, S., Kershenbaum, A., & Picard, R. (March 2023). Males and females perceive non-speech vocalizations by minimally-speaking individuals differently. *Meeting on Language in Autism.* Durham, NC.
- 11. **O'Brien, A. M.**, Perrachione, T. K., Tager-Flusberg, H., Gabrieli, J. D. E, & Qi, Z. (Oct. 2022). Reduced phonological working memory in autism is associated with altered speech-motor engagement. *Society for the Neurobiology of Language*. Philadelphia, PA.
- 12. Ozernov-Palchik, O.\*, **O'Brien, A. M.\***, Romeo, R., Small, H., Lipkin, B., Capella, J., Gabrieli, J.D.E., & Fedorenko, E. (October 2022). A developmental investigation of the language network in the brain. *Society for Neurobiology of Language*. Philadelphia, PA. (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors); [Selected for Poster Slam]
- 13. Johnson, K., Narain, J., **O'Brien, A. M.**, Picard, R., & Quatieri, T. (May 2022). Vocalization and word usage from minimally verbal individuals. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Austin, TX.

- 14. **O'Brien, A. M.\***, D'Mello, A.\*, Frosch, I., Perrachione, T., Gabrieli, J. D. E. (April 2022). Evidence for increased neural heterogeneity of perceptual processing in autism spectrum disorder. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA. (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors)
- 15. Feller, M., **O'Brien, A. M.**, Jones, A., & Gaab, N. (January 2022). Supporting systems-level translation and coordination for students with learning and developmental disabilities: Ideas and innovations. *Learning Disabilities Association of America* 59<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference. New Orleands, LA.
- 16. **O'Brien, A. M.**, Qi, Z., Tager-Flusberg, H., & Gabrieli, J. (May 2021). Atypical and heterogenous neural underpinnings of phonological working memory in children with autism. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Virtual.
- 17. Cannon, J.,\* **O'Brien, A. M.**,\* Bungert, L., & Sinha, P. (January 2021). Prediction in autism spectrum disorder: What does the empirical Evidence Say? *Society for Neuroscience Global Connectome Conference*. Virtual. (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors)
- 18. Modi, M. E., **O'Brien, A.**, Tracey, B., Dhamne, S. G., Nelson, C. A., Rotenberg, A., & Sahin, M. (December 2019). Translational electrophysiological biomarkers in Tuberous Sclerosis Complex, a genetically defined neurodevelopmental disorder. *American College of Neuropsychopharmacology*. Orlando, FL.
- 19. **O'Brien, A.**, Bayet, L., Riley, K., Nelson, C., Sahin, M., & Modi, M. (November 2018). Auditory event related activity in children with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex. *Society for Neuroscience Conference*. San Diego, CA.
- 20. **O'Brien, A.**, Bayet, L., Riley, K., Nelson, C., Sahin, M., & Modi, M. (November 2018). Characterization of speech and non-speech auditory event related activity in children with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex. *Neurodevelopmental Disorders Symposium*. Boston, MA.
- 21. **O'Brien, A.,** Shane, H. C., Schlosser, R. W., Yu, C., Allen, A. A., Cullen, J., Benz, A., & O'Neil, L. (May 2020). Providing visual supports via a smartwatch to improve directive following for children with autism spectrum disorder. *International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting*. Virtual.
- 22. Yu, C., Shane, H. C., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Schlosser, R. W., Allen, A., Flynn, S. (January 2020). Using augmented reality to teach play skills and concepts in individuals with autism. *Assistive Technology Industry Association Conference*. Orlando, FL.
- 23. Ahsen, T., Yu, C., Shane, H. C., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Schlosser, R. W., Dogar, F. (January 2020). Can augmented reality increase symbolic knowledge for individuals with moderate to severe ASD? *Assistive Technology Industry Association Conference*. Orlando, FL.
- 24. Yu, C., Shane, H. C., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Schlosser, R. W., Abramson, J., Allen, A., Flynn, S. (November 2019). Predictors of successful implementation of recommendations for children

- with moderate to severe autism spectrum disorder. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Orlando, FL.
- 25. Schlosser, R. W., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Shane, H. C. (November 2019). Intervention research involving augmented reality for individuals with developmental disabilities: A scoping review. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Orlando, FL.
- 26. Juhlin, D., Morris, C., Schmaltz, P., Shane, H. C., Schlosser, R. W., **O'Brien, A.,** Yu, C., Mancini, D., Allen, A., & Abramson, J. (July 2019). The PTC and Boston Children's Hospital collaborative AR experience for children with autism spectrum disorder. *Human-Computer Interaction International Conference*. Orlando, FL.
- 27. Yu, C., Shane, H., Schlosser, R., Allen, A., **O'Brien, A.**, & Flynn, S. (November 2018). The efficacy of using the Amazon Echo Show to deliver visual supports just-in-time (JIT). *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Boston, MA.
- 28. **O'Brien, A.,** Schlosser, R., Shane, H., & Yu, C. (November 2017). Feasibility of just-in-time wearable technology: Instructional wearing of the Apple Watch® for learners with autism. *American Speech and Hearing Association Convention*. Los Angeles, CA.
- 29. **O'Brien, A.**, Safran, J., Briggs, S., & Skipper, J. (April 2012). Emotions speak louder *then* words: Non-verbal cues predicting forthcoming words. *Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL.

### **INVITED BOOK CHAPTERS**

1. Schlosser, R. W., Shane, H. C., Allen, A. A., Yu, C., **O'Brien, A. M.,** Cullen, J., Benz, A., O'Neil, L., Chiesa, L., & Miori-Dinneen, L. (2021). Implementing the Visual Immersion Systems<sup>TM</sup> in a classroom for children with autism spectrum disorder: Challenges and solutions. In B.T. Ogletree (Eds.), *Augmentative and alternative communication: Challenges and solutions* (pp. 283-312). Plural Publishing.

### **INVITED TALKS**

- 1. **O'Brien, A. M.** (April 9, 2025). The Role of the Motor System in Speech and Language in Autism. *Center for Educational Neuroscience Applications*. Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA.
- 2. **O'Brien, A. M.** (August 20, 2024). Introduction to Speech, Language, and Communication. *Speech and Hearing Bioscience and Technology New Graduate Student Bootcamp*. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
- 3. **O'Brien, A. M.** & Nishith, S. (April 24, 2024). Next in neurodiversity: Emerging research on neurodiversity and employment. *Webinar hosted by Dell Technologies and Neurodiversity in the Workplace*. Virtual.
- 4. **O'Brien, A. M.** (April 14, 2022). The brain bases of nonword repetition in autism: A motor story. Center for Autism Research Excellence, Boston University, Boston, MA.

- 5. **O'Brien, A. M.** (April 1, 2022). The role of the SLP in working with students who learn differently. Willow Hill School, Sudbury, MA.
- 6. **O'Brien, A. M.** (September 1, 2021). Neural heterogeneity of phonological working memory in children with autism. Nelson Laboratory, Boston Children's Hospital, Boston, MA.
- 7. **O'Brien, A. M.,\*** Bungert, L.,\* Cannon, J., Cardinaux, A., Diamond, S., D'Mello, A., Joseph, R., Koskey, K., Li, C., Treves, I., Sondergeld, T., & Pawan Sinha (July, 2021). Developing a self-report measure of prediction. *Time and Autism Webinar*, University of Manchester. Virtual. (\*Equal Contributions/ Co-first authors)
- 8. Cannon, J. & **O'Brien**, **A**. **M**. (April 19, 2021). Prediction in autism spectrum disorder: What does the empirical evidence say? Ahissar Lab, Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Virtual.
- 9. Cannon, J. & **O'Brien**, **A. M.** (March 3, 2021). Prediction in autism spectrum disorder: What does the empirical evidence say? Centre for Autism meeting, University of Reading. Virtual.
- 10. **O'Brien, A. M.** (February 26, 2021). Repurposing a smartwatch to support learners with autism. Human-Centric Design Lab, George Mason University. Virtual.
- 11. **O'Brien, A. M.** (May 2016 & October 2016). Exploring AAC strategies in autism spectrum disorders: From theory to practice, Part I and II. Martha's Vineyard School District, MA.

### **GUEST LECTURES**

- 1. **O'Brien, A. M.** (March 2023). The role of an SLP in working with students with learning disabilities Panel member for *T250: Children with Learning and Developmental Differences* graduate course at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, Cambridge, MA.
- 2. **O'Brien, A. M.** (March 2023). Developmental language disorders: Dyslexia, DLD, & autism. Guest lectured for *Psychology: Brain & Language*, a 75-minute graduate class at University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, TX. *Virtual*.
- 3. **O'Brien, A. M.** (November 2021). Clinical and research pathways related to speech, language, & autism. Guest lectured for *Linguistics*, a 1-hour undergraduate class at Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA. *Virtual*.
- 4. **O'Brien, A. M.** & O'Brien, M. (April 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021). Just-in-time supports and AAC. Guest lectured for *Autism Seminar*, a 3-hour graduate class at Massachusetts General Hospital Institute of Health Professions, Boston, MA.
- 5. **O'Brien, A. M.** & Gallée, J. (April 2020). Developmental and acquired language disorders: From theory to treatment. Guest lectured for *Normal Language Acquisition*, a 2-hour undergraduate class at Boston University, Boston, MA. *Virtual*.
- 6. **O'Brien, A.** (October 2016, 2017, 2018). From evidence to practice: Exploring AAC strategies in autism spectrum disorders. Guest lectured for *Introduction to Augmentative and Alternative Communication*, a 3-hour graduate class at Boston University, Boston, MA.

7. **O'Brien, A.** (October 2017, 2018). Introduction to augmentative and alternative communication. Guest lectured for *Introduction to Speech Language Pathology*, a 1-hour undergraduate class at Boston University, Boston, MA

### SUPERVISORY EXPERIENCE

### **Undergraduate Research Opportunity Supervisor**

Fall 2020-2025

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Supervise 1-6 undergraduate students per semester in various research projects. Meet weekly to provide feedback.

### **Clinical Supervisor**

Fall 2016 – June 2019

Boston Children's Hospital, Waltham, MA

Supervised 3-4 graduate students from Boston University, Emerson College, and/or Massachusetts General Hospital Institute of Health Professions each year. Provided mentorship 2-3 days/week.

#### **SERVICE**

### **Curriculum Committee Student Representative**

May 2020 - 2025

Program in Speech and Hearing Biosciences and Technology, Harvard University

### SHBT Distinguished Lecture Series Student Committee Member

2021-2022

Harvard University

### **Summer Research Coordinator**

2021

Gabrieli Lab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

#### Ad hoc Reviewer

Journal of Speech, Language, and Hearing Research; Autism Research; Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders; Assistive Technology; Developmental Science; International Journal of Language & Communication Disorders

### **CERTIFICATION & LICENSURE**

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Certificate of Clinical Competence License in Speech Language Pathology (SLP), Massachusetts

### **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

Speech-Language Pathologist II

April 2016–July 2019

Clinical Fellow in Speech-Language Pathology

June 2015–April 2016

Autism Language Program, Center for Communication Enhancement

Boston Children's Hospital at Waltham

#### OTHER RELATED EXPERIENCE

Software and App Development Associate

Mar. 2018 – Apr. 2019

Accelerate Language and Learning Foundation, Boston, MA