

**DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY**  
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*Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders*

**Influence of Patient Characteristics with Self- perceived Mild to Moderate Hearing Loss on Fitting Methods for Over-the-Counter (OTC) Hearing Aids**

Nikki Dutta

**Hearing Loss of Extended High Frequencies and Speech-in-Noise Difficulty in Type 1 Diabetics**

Jamie Followill

**Effectiveness of an Educational Presentation to Raise Awareness of Audiology Among High School Students**

Serena Loreda

**The Impact of Updated Word Intelligibility by Picture Identification (WIPI) Test Images on Picture Identification Accuracy and Preference**

Jaleasha Lyons

**Exploring the Relationship of Auditory Processing on Literacy in Children Ages 8-17 with Neurofibromatosis Type 1 (NF1)**

Raymund Ulysys Madayag

**Unmasking Auditory Processing Disorder: Diagnosis, Perception, and Daily Challenges**

Erika Perez Leal