

CURRICULUM VITAE- Dr. Donna Wallace Stauter

Donna W Stauter

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Education:

2018 Doctor of Science

University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center Rehabilitation Science - Pediatric Emphasis

2008 Master of Science

University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center Rehabilitation Science – Pediatric Emphasis

1987 Bachelor of Science

University of Louisiana Monroe Occupational Therapy

Licensure & Certification Information:

2025 AOTA Board Certified Pediatric Specialist Exp 05/2030

Alabama Occupational Therapy License: AL 6749 Exp 10/31/2026

Mississippi Occupational Therapy License: MS OT0049 exp

04/30/2026 NBCOT License: OTR | Cert # 975604 exp

03/31/2026

2007 Assistive Technology Provider certification through RESNA

2005 SIPT Certification-Sensory Integration and Praxis Testing

1997 AOTA Board Certified Pediatric Specialist

1992 Pediatric Neurodevelopmental Developmental Treatment (NDT) trained

Employment and Positions Held:

2025-present

Assistant Professor

University of South Alabama

Occupational Therapy Doctoral Program

1992 – present

Owner, supervisor, employer, clinician

Pediatric Occupational Therapy, LLC -Outpatient, home based, and school-based therapy Hattiesburg, Mississippi

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Occupational Therapy services to the following School Districts
Hattiesburg Schools, Petal Schools, Lamar County Schools, Forrest County Schools, Stone
County Schools; Lumberton School District, Perry County Schools, Covington County
Schools, Jefferson-Davis County Schools, Marion County Schools, Columbia School District,
West Jasper County Schools, Lawrence County Schools, Simpson County Schools, George
County Schools, Smith County Schools, and Dubard School (different years for each school
district)

2023-2025

Assistant Professor

Academic Fieldwork Coordinator

University of Mississippi School of Health Related Professions

Occupational Therapy Doctoral Program

University of Mississippi Medical Center

2023-2025

Assistive Technology Consultant

Rankin County School District

2018-2023

Adjunct Instructor

William Carey University

Physical Therapy Doctoral Program

Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2012- 2023

Occupational Therapist/ Clinical Instructor

The Children's Center for Communication and Development University of Southern

Mississippi Hattiesburg, Mississippi

1992-2017

USM Assessment team- PEDS Pediatric Evaluation & Developmental

Screening Institute for Disability Studies

University of Southern Mississippi Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2016-2023

Consultant to Forrest General Hospital NICU Follow-Up Clinic

2013-2019

Consultant, Pediatric Rehabilitation

Forrest General Hospital Outpatient Rehabilitation

Hattiesburg, MS

2010-2022

Clinical Instructor:

Level I Fieldwork supervisor

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1998-2022

Level II Fieldwork Supervisor

2021-2022

Capstone Preceptor

2008-2009

Wheelchair and Durable Medical Equipment Evaluator

Children's Medical Program

Blake Clinic Jackson, MS

1992-2023

Early Intervention OT service provision

First Steps Early Intervention Program

Mississippi Department of Health

Central and South Mississippi

Courses taught at USA:

OT 201 Introduction to Occupational Therapy 2025

OTD 611 Occupation in Context 2025

OTD 612 Occupational Development 2025

OTD 623 Psychosocial & Cognition 2026

OTD 624 Pediatric Activities of Daily Living & IADLs 2026

OTD 625 Pediatric Experiential Learning Lab 2026

OTD 627 Research Design 2026

OTD 631 Young Child 2026

OTD 642 School-Based Occupational Therapy 2025

OTD 653 Child/Adolescent 2026

OTD 656 Advanced Professional Writing 2026

OTD 658 Intervention Comps 2026

OTD 683 Doctoral Project/ Research I 2025

OTD 685 Doctoral Project/ Research II 2026

Courses taught at UMMC:

OT 618 Research and Evidence Based Practice I 2023

OT 670 Fieldwork II B 2023, 2024, 2025

OT 649 Research Project I 2023, 2024

OT 671 Doctoral Capstone Seminar/Contributing Member 2023,
2024, 2025 OT 656 Advanced Experiential Learning Seminar 2024,

2025 OT 629 Research Proposal I 2024, 2025

OT 659 Research Project II 2024, 2025

OT 628 Research and Evidence Based Practice II 2024

OT 658 Research and Evidence Based Practice IV 2024

OT 639 Research Proposal II 2024

OT 632 Assistive Technology 2024, 2025

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OT 660 Fieldwork IIA 2024, 2025
OT 616 Pediatrics I 2024
OT 624 Pediatrics II 2025

Committees at UMMC:

Fieldwork Committee Chair 2023, 2024, 2025
Research Agenda Committee member 2023, 2024, 2025
Practice Plan Committee 2023, 2024, 2025

Peer Reviewed Publications:

Stauter, D. W., Myers, S. R., Classen, A. I. (2017): Literacy instruction for young children with severe speech and physical impairments: A systematic review, *Journal of Occupational Therapy, Schools, & Early Intervention*, DOI: 10.1080/19411243.2017.1359132

Stauter, D., Prehn, J., Peters, M., Jeffries, L., Sylvester, L., Wang, H., & Dionne, C. (2019). Assistive Technology for Literacy in Children with Physical Disabilities: A Systematic Review, *Journal of Special Education Technology*.

Grant Activity:

2024 Office of Special Education (OSEP) grant \$750,000 for advancement of UMMC SHRP OTD student outcomes in pediatric service delivery

2021 Governor's Emergency Education Response (GEER) grant \$62,500 for audiology evaluation equipment for Gulf Park campus of USM The Children's Center for Communication and Development

2021 Governor's Emergency Education Response (GEER) grant \$430,000 for Family Service program for USM The Children's Center for Communication and Development

2021 Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation grant 1.3 million for USM The Children's Center for Communication and Development adapted playground/outdoor classroom

2020 Jimmy Payne Foundation grant \$75,000 for Assistive Technology training for USM Speech and Audiology graduate assistants

2020 Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation grant \$310,000 for adapted playground for Gulf Park campus of USM The Children's Center for Communication and Development

2020 Project Start grant \$50,000 for sensory-motor equipment for Gulf Park campus of USM The Children's Center for Communication and Development

2020 Governor's Emergency Education Response (GEER) grant \$62,500 for teletherapy for USM The Children's Center for Communication and Development

Membership in Scientific/Professional Organizations:

2023-current American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA)

2023-2025 AOTA Academic Leadership Council (ACL)

2023-current Mississippi Occupational Therapy Association (MSOTA)

Professional Speaking and Service

2025 Speaker

World Pediatrics 4th Global Virtual Forum on Pediatrics and Neonatology

Poster Presentation

Trauma Informed Care in Pediatric Occupational Therapy

London, UK

2025 Speaker

MS Occupational Therapy Association Central District Meeting

Teaching Professionalism to Occupational Therapy Students during Fieldwork

2024 Speaker

Mississippi Statewide Autism Conference with Temple Grandin

Transitions from High School to Adult with Autism

2023 Speaker

Mississippi Speech and Hearing Association State Conference

Consideration of Assistive Technology in the IEP

2023/ 2024/ 2025 Volunteer

Tim Tebow Foundation's Night to Shine Prom Experience for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

2020-2021 Volunteer

Advisory Board Member

Dubard School for Language Disorders

University of Southern Mississippi

Hattiesburg, MS

2010-2024 Volunteer

Advisory Board Member

Pearl River Community College Occupational Therapy Assistant Program

Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2018-2020 Volunteer

Advisory Board Member

Purposeful Refuge (Therapeutic Horseback Riding program)

Purvis, Mississippi

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2019 Volunteer
Research Day Judge & Reviewer
UMMC Occupational Therapy Research Day
Jackson, MS

2019 Volunteer
Consultant to National Institutes of Health (NIH) Focus
Group Maternal and Child Health/ State of Mississippi

2016 Volunteer
Program Evaluation
TIDE School for students grade 4-12 with special education
needs Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2018 speaker
Inclusion of Children with Disabilities into
Childcare Child Development Center
University of Southern Mississippi
Hattiesburg, MS

2018-2025 Volunteer
Foster Parent/ Guardian to two children
Mississippi Department of Human Services
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2019-2024 Volunteer
Therapy Dog Handler
The Children's Center Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2015 Volunteer
Event Coordinator and Instructor
Go Baby Go Modified Power Car Workshop
Occupational Therapy Assistant Program
Pearl River Community College
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2015 Volunteer
Pediatric Course Instructor
Pearl River Community College
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2013-2019 Volunteer
Consultant
Civitan Camp for Children and Adults with Significant
Disabilities Kiln, Mississippi

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2013-2019 Volunteer
Fun Run and 5/10K
The Children's Center for Communication &
Development University of Southern Mississippi
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

2010 Volunteer
Service Dog, Puppy Raiser
Gallant Hearts Guide Dog Center
Madison, MS

2005-present Volunteer
Consultant
ARC Summer Adventures Day Camp
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

1996-2001
AWANA Teacher
Grace Community Bible Church
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Continuing Education:

2025 AOTA Inspire ALC Spring conference
2025 MSOTA Spring Conference Pediatric Track
2025 Central District/ OSEP Participation and
Personalization 2024 AOTA ALC Fall conference
2024 AOTA Inspire Conference
2024 MSOTA Spring Conference
2024 AOTA ALC Spring conference
2024 AOTA ALC Fall conference Orlando, FL
2024 AOTA Inspire Annual Spring conference Orlando, FL 2024 Navigating the Online Teaching
Environment (NOTE) 2023 REDCap training for research
2023 Mississippi Speech and Hearing State Conference
Flowood, MS 2023 AOTA Academic Leadership Council Fall
2020 AOTA Specialty Conference: Children & Youth