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Education

Ph.D., Educational Psychology, *Individual Differences*, University of Houston, December 2015.

M. Ed., Special Education, Boston College, May 1984.

B. S., Education, University of Houston, August 1982.

Academic Positions

Fall 2017	Assistant Professor

Language, Literacy & Special Populations Department Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas

Dept. Head: Salim Sehlaoui, Ph.D.

Summer 2017 Adjunct Professor

PHLS 8365 Administration and Supervision of Special

Education

Psychological, Health, & Learning Sciences Department

University of Houston, Houston, Texas Dept. Head: Ezemenari Obasi, Ph.D.

Summer 2016 Adjunct Professor

to Spring 2017 EPSY 7393 Internship and Practicum

EPSY 3360 Individuals with Disabilities

Psychological, Health, & Learning Sciences Department

University of Houston, Houston, Texas

Publications

Refereed Articles

- Gomez, M., Cole, C.V., & Blackwell, W. (2017). Cognitive predictors of written expression ability for students with specific learning disability assessed in English or Spanish. Manuscript submitted for publication.
- Gomez, M., Cole, C.V., & Blackwell, W. (2018). The prediction of math problem solving by cognitive abilities in Hispanic EL students with disabilities. Manuscript in preparation.
- Gomez, M., & Blackwell, W. (2018). Special Education Due Process Hearings: A National Sample. Manuscript in preparation.
- Gomez, M., & Cheramie, G. (2018). Student Progress in Light of Endrew F. Manuscript in preparation.

Professional Presentations

- Gomez, M. (2018, February). Why Can't I Learn Like Everyone Else? Invited presentation at the Texas Association of Future Educators Teach Tomorrow Summit.
- Gomez, M. (2017, October). A Teacher's Role in Dyslexia Identification. Presentation at Joan Prouty Conference on Early Literacy.
- Gomez, M. (2017, October). *My Student is a Struggling Reader* . . . *Dyslexia?*. Presentation at Joan Prouty Conference on Early Literacy.
- Gomez, M. (2016, September). *GORT-5 and CTOPP-2 Training*. Presentation at Houston ISD.
- Gomez, M. (2016, September). KTEA-3 Training. Presentation at Houston ISD.
- Gomez, M. (2016, August). *Assessment of Non-enrolled Children*. Presentation at Houston ISD.
- Gomez, M. (2016, July). *What the Heck are the "G's"?*. Presentation at Third Annual Special Education Conference Houston ISD.
- Gomez, M. (2016, June). *Answering Challenging Questions about an FIE*. Invited presentation at the Houston ISD Summer Training Institute.
- Gomez, M. (2016, June). *Due Process Updates*. Invited presentation at the Houston ISD Summer Training Institute.
- Gomez, M. (2015, August). *Best Practice Assessment and Report Writing*. Invited presentation at Allen ISD.
- Gomez, M. (2015, June). *How to Present an FIE*. Invited presentation at the Region 4 Summer Evaluation Institute.
- Gomez, M. (2014, June). *A District's Journey to Raise the Quality of FIEs*. Invited presentation at the Region 13 Hill Country Evaluation Institute.

- Gomez, M. (2014, June). *The Year of the Quality Report How to Write a Best Practice FIE.* Invited presentation at the Region 4 Summer Evaluation Institute.
- Gomez, M. (2014, February). *Cognitive Abilities Relating to Reading Comprehension*. Poster presentation at the Annual Statewide Evaluation Conference (SWEP).

Trainings Attended

- SuccessEd Training, Webinar with SHSU Charter School, Houston, TX, November 29, 2017.
- Q-Global Overview, Webinar with Pearson, Houston, TX, September 25, 2017.
- Special Education Directors Leadership Network, Region 6 Education Service Center, Houston, TX, September 7, 2017.
- Special Education Directors Leadership Network, Region 4 Education Service Center, Houston, TX, 2016-17.
- 17th Annual Region 4 ESC Dyslexia Conference, Region 4 Education Service Center, Houston, TX, December 1, 2016
- Houston Metropolitan Educational Diagnostician Association Conference, Region 4 Education Service Center, Houston, TX, November 29-30, 2016.

Service

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Scholarship Committee/Member	2017-18
Equity in Action Committee/Member	2017-18
On-line Committee/Member	2017-18

Special Olympics Volunteer, Huntsville High School, Huntsville, TX, September 30, 2017.

President's Roundtable, Sam Houston State University (SHSU), Huntsville, TX, October 3, 2017.

Dean's List Reception, Sam Houston State University (SHSU), Huntsville, TX, October 25, 2017.

Department

Conducted SHSU Graduate School Applicant Interviews, November, 2017.

Assessment Clinic for SPED 5305, Sam Houston State University (TWC), Woodlands, TX, Saturday, November 11, 2017.

Tomball ISD Collaboration Meeting, Tomball, TX, November 10, 2017.

Sheldon ISD Assessment Clinic for SPED 5305, Houston, TX, November 4, 2017.

Southwest Charter Schools Collaboration Meeting, Houston, TX, November 1, 2017.

Provided in-person instruction to SPED 5305 student at Women's Hospital, Houston, TX, October 10 and 16, 2017.

Sheldon ISD Collaboration Meeting, Houston, TX, October 24, 2017.

Assessment Clinic for SPED 5302, Sam Houston State University (TWC), Woodlands, TX, Saturday, October 14, 2017.

Community Service

Participated in the Heifer International Fundraiser, Houston, TX, December 2, 2017.

Participated in the Heifer International Fundraiser, Houston, TX, December 4, 2016.

I mentor Educational Diagnosticians, free of charge and on my own time.

I am in constant communication with such school districts, their special education directors, coordinators, and diagnosticians in order to provide them with support as needed.

I work as a consultant with school districts in the surrounding areas in the capacity of an assessment trainer, case reviewer, and program reviewer. I have worked with Allen ISD and Sheldon ISD.

Professional Memberships

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

CEC Council for Learning Disabilities (CLD)

Houston Metropolitan Chapter of the Texas Educational Diagnosticians' Association (HouMet)

Texas Educational Diagnostician Association (TEDA)