

NJ Speech-Language-Hearing Association Recognizes Stockton Health Sciences Professor

Dr. Amy Hadley Receives 2011 Distinguished Professional Service Award

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Galloway Township, NJ- Dr. Amy Hadley, an assistant professor of speech pathology and audiology at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, was selected as the New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association's 2011 recipient of its Distinguished Professional Service Award.

According to the NJ Speech-Language-Hearing Association (NJSHA), the Distinguished Professional Service Award recognizes a member of NJSHA with five or more years of professional experience whose primary responsibilities are in academics, research, or as an administrator of speech-language and/or audiology services.

Hadley, a resident of Galloway Township, joined the faculty of Stockton's School of Health Sciences in 2006, and since then, she has assumed a leadership role in the establishment of a Master's of Science in Communication Disorders (MSCD) program at the College.

Last year, the MSCD was approved by Stockton, the NJ Department of Education and the NJ Presidents' Council. Hadley successfully completed and submitted a candidacy application to the Council of Academic Programs, and the College expects a visit from the Council within the next few months.

Hadley said, "The advanced degree program has the potential to fill a great need in graduate training in communication disorders for the southern New Jersey region and beyond."

In addition to this most recent honor, Hadley was Stockton's inaugural recipient of the Provost's Award for Excellence in Academic Advising in 2010. She has led a number of professional presentations across the eastern coast to advance electronic portfolios and screen casting for scholars and professionals in her field. Screen casts are digital recordings of computer screen output that often include narration.

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Hadley was also awarded a research and professional development grant for the use of electronic portfolios for assessment.

Dr. Joan Bruno, chair of the NJSHA's honors and awards committee, said, "NJSHA is honored to have the opportunity to present this award to...acknowledge (Dr. Hadley's) hard work and success."

Hadley has been a certified member of the American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) for 25 years. She has served as a chairperson of the New Jersey Speech-Language Hearing Association committee on higher education since 2006. Her service to NJSHA has included preparation of articles for the Association's newsletter, assisting in event planning, organization of conference speakers and coordination of student proposals and nominations.

Hadley's distinguished service has advanced speech-language pathology and audiology locally at Stockton College and nationally through her dedicated work with ASHA and NJSHA.

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