

Dr. BLAIR HANDY

Doctor of Audiology

Education

Doctorate in Audiology, April 2012

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Sciences and Disorders, May 2008

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Business Owner: JB Assessments

Sub-Contractor: Optum Serve (previously known as Logistics Health, Inc.) (November 2022 – Present)

- Assess and interpret audiological evaluation for compensation and pension for veterans
- Provide professional medical opinion on veteran's disability and cause
- Conduct cerumen management
- Evaluate otologic health by determining the degree and type
- Perform tinnitus assessment
- Reserve Health Readiness Program evaluations for the Department of Defense

Hearing Aid Dispenser (May 2022 – Present)

- Evaluate otologic health by determining the degree and type
- Administrate and analyze comprehensive audiological examinations
- Dispense, program, and adjust hearing technology

Sub-Contractor: Veterans Evaluation Services (December 2021 – Present)

- Assess and interpret audiological evaluation for compensation and pension for veterans
- Provide professional medical opinion on veteran's disability and cause
- Conduct cerumen management
- Evaluate otologic health by determining the degree and type
- Perform tinnitus assessment

Newborn Hearing Screenings (June 2020 – Present)

- Provide newborn hearing screening for family who had home birth or births at birth centers
- Evaluate otologic health of a newborn's ear

Employment

Instructor: Valdosta State University (October 2019 – Present)

- Develop course syllabi and course instruction for Audiology I (CSD 3020), Audiology II (CSD 4151), Aural Hab/Rehabilitation (CSD 5090)
- Utilizing diverse teaching strategies
- Creating lesson plans in collaboration with other instructors
- Advise and assist undergraduate and graduate students with course work and career goals
- Prepare and deliver live and recorded lectures
- Orchestrate virtual study sessions

Clinical Audiologist: The Ear, Nose and Throat Surgical Associates, P.A. (December 2015 – November 2021)

- Administrated and analyzed comprehensive audiological and electrophysiological evaluations
- Assessed and interpreted vestibular health, through various tests and in-office procedures
- Treated and corrected vestibular impairments
- Dispensed, programed, and adjusted hearing technology
- Interviewed potential hires and trained new hires
- Evaluated otologic health by determining the degree and type
- Performed cochlear implant and bone conduction evaluations
- Troubleshooted and programed cochlear implants
- Conducted newborn hearing screenings
- Precepted doctoral students
- Counseled patients and family members by providing support and guidance

Professional Membership/Awards

- Active State of Florida Audiology License (2012 - present)
- American Board of Audiology Certified (2012 - present)
- American Academy of Audiology

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Research/ Presentations

Handy, B. (2012). "Now you know." WDBO news 96.5 FM. Orlando, Florida.

Handy, B. (2010). Health disparities in audiology. Florida Academy of Audiology: Audiology Advocate, 12, 13. *Abstract.*

Handy, B., Delaney, K. & Rosier, D. (2010). Noise induced hearing loss at college football games. Florida Academy of Audiology: Audiology Advocate, 12, 13. *Abstract.*

Handy, B., Blanks, D., Jenkins, J., Morgan, D., Thompson, L., Washington, M. & Williams, G. (2010, February). Recommendation from the swamp: Reforming Florida's financial aid system. A presentation presented at the ENLACE Florida: Student Education Policy Conference, Tampa, FL.

Oliver, B., Archer-Banks, D., Melendez, D., Sophie, M., Primack, M., & **Handy, B.** (2009, May). *Education capital: The key to effective college access and retention programs.* A paper prepared for the Retention 2009 International Conference on Student Retention, New Orleans, LD.

Oliver, B., Archer-Banks, D., Melendez, D., Sophie, M., Primack, M., & **Handy, B.** (2009, May). *Logic model: A framework for evaluating college access and retention.* A paper prepared for the Retention 2009 International Conference on Student Retention, New Orleans, LD.

Handy, B., Burke, N., Dixon, S., Hardmon-Fort, D., Honorate, B., Jenkins, J., MiCourt, D., Morgan, D., & Williams, G. (February 2009). Bright futures. A presentation presented at the ENLACE Florida: Student Education Policy Conference, Boca Raton, FL

Handy, B., Youngstrum, D. & Griffiths, S. (2009, April). *The NCAA fan: At risk for hearing loss?* A poster presented at the American Academy of Audiology: Audiology Now 2009 Conference, Dallas, TX.