

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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### EDUCATION

<u>Undergraduate</u>	Wingate Institute, Israel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• B.A. Equivalent and Teaching Certificate in Physical Education</li></ul>	1975-78
<u>Graduate</u>	Indiana University: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• M.S. in Human Performance</li><li>• Ph.D. in Exercise Physiology with a minor in Endocrinology</li></ul>	1984-88 1984-88
	University of Florida <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Masters of Health Science in Occupational Therapy</li></ul>	1993-95

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Associate Professor, Department of Occupational therapy, College of Health Professions, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32610, July, 2003 to present.
- Assistant Professor, Department of Occupational therapy, College of Health Professions, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32610, December 1995 to June, 2003.
- Teaching Assistant and post-baccalaureate student, Department of Occupational Therapy, College of Health-Related Professions, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32610, August 1993 to December 1995.
- Visiting Associate Scientist, Laboratory of Behavioral Sciences, National Institute on Aging, National Institute of Health, Gerontology Research Center, 4940 Eastern Ave., Baltimore, MD 21224. January, 1992 to July 1993.
- Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Dept. of Pharmacodynamics, College of Pharmacy, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32610. July, 1990 to January, 1992.
- Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Physiology Department, College of Medicine, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32610. July 1988 to June 1990.
- Associate Instructor, Physical Education Department, Indiana University. Teaching Exercise Physiology Laboratory, coordinating the five Lab sections, revising the Student's Lab Manual, and writing an Instructor's Manual for the course. Sept. 1986 to May 1988.
- Associate Instructor, Physical Education Department, Indiana University. Teaching Basic Exercise Physiology Laboratory. September 1985 to June 1986.

- Visiting Lecturer, Physical Education Department, Indiana University. Teaching Conditioning and Fitness lectures to 400 students and coordinating the Conditioning Labs for ten Associate Instructors. Writing the Instructor's Manual for the course. September 1984 to May 1985.
- Associate Instructor, Physical Education Department, Indiana University. Teaching activity classes such as Racquetball, Self Defense and Bowling. September 1983 to June 1984.
- Adult Fitness Instructor, City of Petach Tikva, Israel. Exercise prescription, and instruction of Adult Fitness. 1980-1981.
- Volleyball Coach, High School and Club Sports, Petach Tikva and Tel-Aviv, Israel. 1975-1978 and 1980-1981.

### **SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES:**

#### *National:*

- Editorial Board, the Journal of Hand Therapy, 2002-present.
- Editorial Board, the American Journal of Occupational Therapy, 2010-present
- Editorial Board, the Occupational Therapy Journal of Research, 1999-2010
- Reviewer for the Journal of Aging and Physical Activity, 2006-present
- Reviewer for the Journal of Traffic Injury Prevention, 2006-present
- Reviewer for the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 1999-present.
- Reviewer for the American Journal of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 2002-present.
- Reviewer for the Journal of Hand Therapy, 2000-2002.

#### *University of Florida:*

- Chair of the Search Committee for a Tenure Track Position in the Department of OT, College of PHHP, 2017.
- Chair of the Search Committee for a Research Assistant Professor Position in the Department of OT, College of PHHP, 2017.
- Chair of the Search Committee for a Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialist, Department of OT, College of PHHP, 2017.
- Member of the Tenure and Promotion Committee, College of PHHP, 2014-Present.
- Member of the Blended-Learning Taskforce, College of PHHP, 2014- Present.
- Member of the Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program Steering Committee, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 2014-present.
- Member of the Search Committee for the Chair of OT, College of PHHP, 2014-Present.
- Member of the University of Florida's Academic Policy Council, 2010-2012.
- University of Florida Faculty Senate, elected member from the College of Public Health and Health Professions, 2005-2011.
- Equity and Diversity Advisory Board for the Health Science Center, invited member representing the College of Public Health and Health Professions. October 2007-2013.
- Member of the College of PHHP Teaching Excellence Committee, 2009-2011.
- Member of the College of PHHP Incentive Plan Committee, 2009-2010.
- Co-chair, Shared Governance Leadership Committee, College of Public Health and Health Professions. January, 2007 - 2009.

- Faculty Advisory Group, College of Public Health and Health Professions, September, 2006.
- Faculty advisor of The Health Professions College Council (CC), August 2006 – 2011.
- Faculty advisor of the Health Profession Student Organization (HSSO), August 2006 – 2011.
- Marshall of Graduation, University of Florida, College of Public Health and Health Professions May, 2006.
- Chairperson, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Occupational Therapy, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 2003-2006.
- Chairperson, Cultural Enrichment Committee, College of Public Health and Health Professions, 2003-2004.
- Member, Student Admissions committee, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 2003-present.
- Member, Academic Performance Committee, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 2000-present.
- Member, Movement Dysfunction Committee, Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program, College of Health Professions, University of Florida, 2000-2014t.
- Marshall of Graduation, University of Florida, 1999-2001.
- Research Coordinator, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 1996 - 2000.
- Chairperson, the Alice C. Jantzen Research Symposium Committee, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 1999-2000.
- Faculty Coordinator, Intelicus/University of Florida Functional Capacity Evaluation Program, the College of Health Professions, University of Florida, 1999.
- Faculty representative to the Staff Strategic Plan Committee, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 1999.
- Member, the Alice C. Jantzen Research Symposium Committee, The Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 1997-1999.
- Chairperson, Faculty Search Committee, The Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 1997-1998.
- Coordinator, the Hollis Sammon's Award for Research Papers, The Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 1996-1997.
- Member, Interdisciplinary Research Forum Committee, the College of Health Professions, University of Florida, 1998-99.
- Member, the University of Florida Committee on Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Concerns, 1997-2008
- Member, Incentive Fund Research Development Award Committee, the College of Health Professions, University of Florida, 1997-98.
- Research mentor, the Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of Florida, 1996-1998
- Mentor, the University Minority Mentor Program, University of Florida, 1996-1998
- Mentor for Friends of Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals, University of Florida, 1996-present
- Member, the Shands Hospital Ergonomics committee, Gainesville, FL 1996-1998

- Member, Search Committee for Chairperson of the Department of Occupational Therapy, the College of Health Professions, University of Florida, 1996.
- Member, Department of Occupational Therapy Faculty and Staff Recognitions Committee, University of Florida, 1996

### **MEMBERSHIPS**

- The American Society of Hand Therapists (ASHT), 1999-present
- The American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), 1995-present
- The Florida Chapter of AOTA (FOTA), 1997-2011
- The American Physiological Society (APS), 1989-1993
- Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society, 1988-1991
- The American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM), 1984-1990

### **AWARDS**

- University Term Professorship, University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, 2017 - 2020
- The 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year Award, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida
- The 2005-2006 Teacher of the Year Award, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida
- The 2005-2006 Most Outstanding Faculty Member, Bachelor of Health Science Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida
- The 2005 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Occupational Therapy Education from the University of Florida's Student Occupational Therapy Association
- The University of Florida Faculty Development Program: The Laptop Computer Program, Office of Instructional Resources: A Dell Laptop Computer and Training Courses, 2000-2001.
- The University of Florida's Health Science Center, 1999-2000 Division Superior Accomplishment Award
- The Women's Interest Student Association: Women at the University of Florida 1999-2000 Calendar
- The 1997-98 Teacher of the Year Award for the University of Florida
- The 1997-98 Teacher of the Year Award, College of Health Professions, University of Florida
- Research Assistantship, Indiana University Medical Sciences Program and Biology Department, Summer 1987.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Musculoskeletal Anatomy, Department of Occupational Therapy and Bachelor of Health Science Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 1993-present. The course includes 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of lab per week; there are three labs of 30 students each and thus the number of students is limited to 90. The course focuses on bones, muscles, tendons, peripheral nerves and blood supply. This course is applied because special emphasis is put on various injuries, their

- mechanism, signs, symptoms and treatment. Lab involves 15-17 prosected cadavers. I supervise three teaching assistants who assist me in teaching the labs.
- Nervous System and Disorders, Department of Occupational Therapy and Bachelor of Health Science Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 1996-present. The course includes 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of lab per week; there are three labs of 30 students each and thus the number of students is limited to 90. The first part of the course involves neuroanatomy with a focus on structure and function of various parts of the human brain. The lab for this portion involves human brain and spinal cord specimen. The second part of the course focuses on various disorders and conditions of the nervous system and the lab portion includes discussion and case studies. I supervise three teaching assistants who assist me in teaching the labs.
  - Pathophysiology for Rehabilitation, Bachelor in Health Science Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 2003-present. The course includes 3 hours of lecture a week (spring semester). The number of students ranges from 190 – 220. The course is system-based and includes review of physiology and the pathophysiology of specific body systems. I supervise a teaching assistant who assists in managing the course.
  - The three courses above are basic science courses for undergraduate students in the Bachelor of Health Science program. The students in this program are pre-OT, pre-PT, pre-PA, pre-med, pre-dental and pre-nursing students.
  - College Classroom Teaching, the Rehabilitation Science Doctorate Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 2009-present. This course includes 3 hours of lecture a week (fall semester). The number of students ranges from 5-12. In this course, PhD students learn to become teachers. It is the only didactic teaching course in this program. Students from other PhD programs in our College often receive permission to take the course.
  - Foundations of Occupational Therapy, Department of Occupational Therapy and Bachelor in Health Science Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 2008-present. I am the lead instructor of this course and I work with a co-instructor and supervise a teaching assistant who helps manage the course.
  - Musculoskeletal Disorders of the Upper Extremity, the Rehabilitation Science Doctorate Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 2002-2006.
  - Applied Research in Occupational Therapy, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Florida, 1996-2005.
  - Individual Work in Occupational Therapy, Department of Occupational Therapy, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 1996-2005.
  - Research Project Supervision, Department of Occupational Therapy, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 1996-present.
  - Applied Kinesiology, Department of Occupational Therapy, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, 1995-1998.
  - Exercise Physiology Lab, Physical Education Department, Indiana University, 1985-1988.
  - Conditioning and Fitness, Physical Education Department, Indiana University, 1985-1986.

## **GRANTS**

### **Currently Submitted:**

- Funding Opportunity Announcement PA-16-160: NIH Research Project Grant (Parent R01): “Driving Assessment and Intervention for Teens with Autism Spectrum Disorder and/or Attention Deficits Hyperactivity Disorder”. PI – Sherrilene Classen. Co-PI - Orit Shechtman. Submitted 5/30/17; \$2,414,158.
- University of Florida Technology Transfer Center: “Aging Driver Car Simulation Education Program”. Co-PI: Orit Shechtman. Submitted 2/20/17; \$162,735.

### **Funded:**

- Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) Pilot and Collaborative Research Project Funding: “Wheelchair Ergonomic Hand Drive”. PI – Mark Tillman. 12/01/09 - 11/30/2010; \$24,756
- PPHP College Model Program Demonstration Projects Funding: “Identifying Critical Driving Errors from the Florida Traffic Crash Records Database to Inform Occupational Therapy Driving Practice.” PI- Orit Shechtman, January 2008-2009, \$20,000.
- University of Florida’s Age Network Multidisciplinary Research Enhancement Funding: “Medications and Older Drivers in Florida.” PI - Sherrilene Classen; April 2007-April 2008; Co-Investigator, \$5,500
- The American Society of Hand Therapist’ Evelyn Mackin Research Grant: “Using the force-time curve to identify maximal versus submaximal efforts in people with cumulative trauma disorders”. September 2006 – September 2007; PI, \$5,000.
- U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA): “Older Driver Infrastructure Research Project.” Project #: DOT DTFH61-03-H-00138. August 2003-September 2005; PI-William Mann, \$280, 000.00
- MD Systems, Inc, CardioGrip® Products: “Reliability, validity and norms for the DynEx™ electronic hand dynamometer”. January, 2003 – January, 2004; PI, \$6,000.
- The Research Opportunity Fund of The University of Florida “Identifying the level of effort during grip strength testing”, May 1, 2002 – April 30, 2003; PI, \$30,000.
- The Baltimore Therapeutic Equipment Company “Using the torque-velocity test of the BTE-Primus to measure sincerity of effort of elbow flexion”. April 2002 - March 2003; PI, \$5,000.
- The American Hand Therapy Foundation’s Annual Research Grant: The 2001 Dr. William Burkhalter Memorial Research Award: “Using the force-velocity test to measure sincerity of effort”. January, 2001 – January, 2002; PI, \$3000.00
- The Shands Hospital Occupational Therapy Small Grants Fund: “Evaluation of the Shands Ergonomics Program”. June 1997 - May 1998; Co-PI, \$ 8100.00
- The Shands Hospital Occupational Therapy Small Grants Fund: “Serial Casting of Digital Flexion Contractures in children with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis”. June 1997 - May 1998; PI, \$ 4875.00
- The American Heart Association, Florida Affiliate, Post-Doctoral Fellowship, \$21,000.00; July 1989 - June 1990.
- The School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation Research Council, Student Research Fund, \$100.00 Indiana University, March 1988.

- Graduate School's Grant-in-Aid of Research for Doctoral Dissertation, \$500.00 Indiana University, October 1987.

### **OTHER SUPPORT**

- Thought Technology Ltd.: “Using the force-time curve to identify maximal versus submaximal efforts in people with cumulative trauma disorders”; Loan of the FlexComp Infiniti with BioGraph Infiniti v3.0 Software September 2006; PI, \$7,500.
- The 2005-2006 Research Grant/Mentorship Opportunity Program, presented by the Graduate Student Council, University of Florida. Given to my doctoral student Bhagwant Sindhu for the project “Use of the force-time curves and SEMG to detect sincerity of effort in patients with upper extremity musculoskeletal disorders and injuries”; Spring 2006; \$300.
- The Baltimore Therapeutic Equipment Co.: “Using the BTE to Measure Grip and Wrist Strength in Wheelchair Users”. Loan of the BTE-Primus (\$45,000.00), July, 1999.

### **REFEREED PUBLICATIONS**

1. Zukowski LA, Hass CJ, **Shechtman O**, Christou EA, Tillman MD, 2017. “The effect of propulsion style on time spent in extreme wrist orientations after a bout of fatiguing propulsion.” *Ergonomics*, DOI: 10.1080/00140139.2017.1303084, March 2017.
2. Zukowski LA, Christou EA, **Shechtman O**, Hass CJ, Tillman MD., 2017. The Effect of Propulsion Style on Wrist Movement Variability During the Push Phase After a Bout of Fatiguing Propulsion. *Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Journal (PM&R)*, 9(3): 265-274, 2017.
3. Zukowski LA, Roper JA, **Shechtman O**, Otzel DM, Hovis PW, Tillman MD. Wheelchair ergonomic hand drive mechanism use improves wrist mechanics associated with carpal tunnel syndrome. *Journal of Rehabilitation Research Development*; 51(10):1515–24, 2014.
4. Zukowski LA, Roper J, **Shechtman O**, Otzel DM, Bouwkamp J, Tillman MD. A Comparison of Metabolic Cost, Performance, and Efficiency of Propulsion Using an Ergonomic Hand Drive Mechanism and a Conventional Manual Wheelchair. *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, 95:546-551, 2014.
5. **Shechtman, O**, Sindhu, BS, Davenport P. Using the “Visual Target Grip Test” to Identify Sincerity of Effort during Grip Strength Testing. *Journal of Hand Therapy*, 25(3): 320-329, 2012.
6. Sindhu, B.S., **Shechtman, O.**, Veazie, P.J. Identifying Sincerity of Effort Based on the Combined Predictive Ability of Multiple Grip Strength Tests. *Journal of Hand Therapy*, 25(3): 308-319, 2012.
7. Sindhu, B.S., **Shechtman, O.**, Tuckey, L.E. Validity, Reliability, and Responsiveness of a Digital Version of the Visual Analog Scale. *Journal of Hand Therapy*, 24(4): 356-363, 2011.
8. Seo, N.J., Sindhu, B.S., **Shechtman, O.** The influence of pain associated with musculoskeletal disorders on grip force timing. *Journal of Hand Therapy*, 24(4): 335-343, 2011.
9. Lehman, L.A., Woodbury, M., **Shechtman, O.**, Wang, Y-C., Pomeranz, J., Gray, D.B., & Velozo, C.A. Development of an Item Bank for a Computerized Adaptive Test of Upper Extremity Function. *Disability and Rehabilitation*, 33(21-22), 2092-2104, 2011.

10. **Shechtman, O.** Validation of driving simulators. *Advances in Transportation Studies: an international Journal*; 2010 Special Issue; pages 53-62. Printed July 2011.
11. Sindhu, B., **Shechtman, O.** Using the Force-Time Curve to Determine Sincerity of Effort in People with Upper Extremity Injuries. *Journal of Hand Therapy*, 24(1): 22-30, 2011.
12. Classen, S., **Shechtman, O.**, Joo, Y Awadzi, K.D., Lanford, D.N. Traffic violations vs. driving errors: Implications for older female drivers. *TRB Conference Proceedings 46: Women's Issues in Transportation, Vol. 1: Conference Summary and Plenary Papers; Vol. 2: Technical Papers Transportation Research Board*, 55-63, 2011.
13. Classen, S., Bewernitz, M., & **Shechtman, O.** Driving Simulator Sickness: An Evidence Based Review of Literature. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 65(2), 179–188, 2011.
14. **Shechtman, O.**, Awadzi, K., Classen, S., Lanford, D., & Joo, Y. Validity and critical driving errors of on-road assessment for older drivers. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy* 64(2): 242:251, 2010.
15. Classen, S., **Shechtman, O.**, Awadzi, K., Lanford, D., & Joo, Y. Traffic Violations vs. Driving Errors: Informing Clinical Practice. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy* 64(2): 233:241, 2010.
16. Lehman, L.A., Sindhu, B.S., **Shechtman, O.**, Romero, S., Velozo, C.A. A comparison of the ability of two upper extremity assessments to measure change in function. *Journal of Hand Therapy*. 23(1), 31-40, 2010.
17. Classen, S., McCarthy, D.P., **Shechtman, O.**, Awadzi, K.D., Lanford, DN., Okun, M.S., Rodriguez, R.L., Romrell, J., Bridges, S., Kluger, B., & Fernandez, H.H. Useful Field of View as a Reliable Screening Measure of Driving Performance in People with Parkinson's Disease: Results of a Pilot Study. *Traffic Injury Prevention*, 10, 593-598, 2009.
18. Classen, S., **Shechtman, O.**, Stephens, B., Davis, E., Justiss, M., McCarthy, D., Mann, W. The impact of roadway intersection design of young and senior adults' driving performance in the recovery phase. *British Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 72 (11): 472-481, 2009.
19. **Shechtman, O.**, Classen, S., Stephens, B., Davis, E., Awadzi, K. & Mann, W. The impact of roadway intersection design on simulated driving performance of younger and older adults during recovery from a turn. *Advances in Transportation Studies: an International Journal*; 2008 Special Issue; pages 7-20. Printed in July 2009.
20. **Shechtman, O.**, Classen, S., Awadzi, K. & Mann, W. Comparison of driving errors between on-the-road and simulated driving assessment: A validation study. *Traffic Injury Prevention* 10(4): 379-385, 2009.
21. Classen, S., Horgas, A., Awadzi, K., Messinger-Rapport, B.M., **Shechtman, O.**, & Joo, Y. Clinical predictors of older driver performance on a standardized road test. *Traffic Injury Prevention*, 9:456–462, 2008.
22. **Shechtman, O.**, Goodall, S.K. The Administration and Interpretation of the Rapid Exchange Grip Test: A National Survey. *Journal of Hand Therapy*, 21(1): 18-27, 2008.
23. **Shechtman, O.**, Hope, L., Sindhu, B. Evaluation of the Torque-Velocity Test of the BTE-Primus as a Measure of Sincerity of Effort of Grip Strength. *Journal of Hand Therapy*, 20(4): 326-335, 2007.



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30. **Shechtman, O.**, Classen, S., Stephens, B., Davis, E., Bendixen, R., Belchior, P., Sandhu, M., McCarthy, D., Mann, W. The Impact of Intersection Design on Simulated Driving Performance of Young and Senior Adults: Preliminary Results. *Topics in Geriatric Rehabilitation*, 22: 1, 27-35, 2006.
31. Classen, S., **Shechtman, O.**, Stephens, B., Davis, E., Bendixen, R., Belchior, P., Sandhu, M., McCarthy, D., Mann, W. The Impact of Intersection Design on Simulated Driving Performance of Young and Senior Adults: Preliminary Results. *Topics in Geriatric Rehabilitation*, 22: 1, 18-26, 2006.
32. Stephens, B.W., McCarthy, D., Marsiske, M., **Shechtman, O.**, Classen, S., Justiss, M. and Mann, W.C. International Older Driver Consensus Conference on Assessment, Remediation and Counseling for Transportation Alternatives Summary and Recommendations. *Physical and Occupational Therapy in Geriatrics*, 23:103-121, 2005
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  56. Shechtman, O. Tendons: Structure, Pathophysiology, and Healing (instructional presentation). American Society of Hand Therapists 27th Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, October 24, 2004.
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  58. Shechtman, O. Methods used to detect submaximal effort with the five-rung grip strength test. American Society of Hand Therapists 27th Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, October 22, 2004.



59. Shechtman, O., Aaron, D. Nerves and Tendons: from basic science to clinical management. A continuing education workshop. Gainesville, FL, July 30-31, 2004.
60. Sindhu B.S., **Shechtman**, O., Davenport, P. The use of the force-time curve to distinguish between sincere and insincere grip strength efforts. A poster presentation. The American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Minneapolis, MN, May 22, 2004.
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63. Shechtman, O.; Aaron, D. "Tendons from basic science to clinical management". Invited presentation for the Occupational Therapy Association of California (OTAC) Annual Conference. Sacramento, CA; November 8, 2003.
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65. Shechtman, O., Aaron, D. Advanced Course in Hand Rehabilitation. Invited workshop presentations for the Israeli Society of Occupational Therapy. Tel Aviv, Israel; December 23-25, 2002.
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69. Shechtman, O, Taylor, C. How do therapists administer the rapid exchange grip test? A survey. American Society of Hand Therapists 24th Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, October 5, 2001.
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71. Shechtman, O. Upper extremity anatomy review. Invited Presentation to the Gainesville Hand Therapy Club, October 30, 2001.
72. Shechtman, O. Understanding research in hand therapy. Invited Presentation to the Gainesville Hand Therapy Club, March 27, 2001.
73. Shechtman, O. Anatomy review of the upper quadrant. Invited Presentation to the Gainesville Hand Therapy Club, November 2, 2000.

74. Shechtman, O. Additional empirical evidence against using the coefficient of variation as a measure of sincerity of effort of grip strength. American Society of Hand Therapists 23rd Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, October 5, 2000.
75. Shechtman, O. The Rapid Exchange Grip Test as a Measure of Sincerity of Effort of Grip Strength. Invited Presentation to the VAMC-Gainesville Rehab Staff, January 27, 2000.
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77. Shechtman, O. Measuring Sincerity of Effort of Grip Strength. Keynote speaker at the Fourth Annual Alice C. Jantzen Symposium at the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL; December, 9, 1999.
78. Shechtman O. Clinician/Educator Partnership in Research. A presentation at a fieldwork educator's workshop at the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, October 16, 1999.
79. Shechtman O. The Coefficient of Variation. A presentation at the Florida Hand Society Meeting, Orlando, FL, May 14, 1999.
80. Shechtman, O. & Hanson, C. Clinician and academician collaboration: Outcomes research in physical dysfunction. A short course presentation at the American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, April 16, 1999.
81. Shechtman, O. The use of the coefficient of variation in detecting sincerity of effort. A research poster presentation at the World Federation of Occupational Therapy 1998 Congress in Montreal, Canada, June 3, 1998.
82. Shechtman, O. The use of rapid exchange grip to determine sincerity of effort in patients with carpal tunnel syndrome. A research poster presentation at the American Occupational therapy Association (AOTA) Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD April 3, 1998.
83. Shechtman, O. Early versus delayed mobilization after carpal tunnel release. A research poster presentation at the American Occupational therapy Association (AOTA) Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL April 13, 1997.
84. Shechtman, O. Cold-Induced Hypertension. A guest lecture at the Gerontology Research Center, National Institute on Aging, Baltimore, MD; October, 1991.
85. Shechtman, O. Vascular Reactivity to Angiotensin-II in Cold-Treated Rat. Excellence of Research Poster Competition, College of Pharmacy, University of Florida, April 16, 1991.
86. Shechtman, O. Exercise Augments Interleukin-2 Induction. A presentation at the American College of Sports Medicine National Convention, Dallas, May 25-28, 1988.
87. Shechtman, O. The Effect of Exercise on Interferon-gamma Induction. The Interagency Research Council Meeting, October 2, 1987. Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.

## **GRADUATE STUDENTS RESEARCH PROJECTS:**

### *Doctoral Dissertations - Committee Chair:*

- Effect of Upper Extremity injury on Grip Strength effort. Bhagwant Sindhu, RSD-OT Committee Chair, 2003-2007.
- The reliability and utility of transcranial magnetic stimulation to assess activity-dependent plasticity in human stroke. Matt Malcolm, RSD-OT Committee co-chair, 1999-2003.

### *Doctoral Dissertations - Committee Member:*

- Examining the impact of neuropsychiatric symptoms on caregiver well-being. Paul Arthur, RSD-OT student, 2016
- Wrist Movement Features Associated with Wheelchair Propulsion Styles and the Relationship to Propulsion Performance, Lisa Zukokwski, HHP-PhD student, 2014.
- Non-Invasive Monitoring of Muscle Response to Disease Progression and Therapeutic Interventions in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Using MRI and MRS. Ishu Arpan, RSD-PT student, 2014.
- Non-Invasive Monitoring of Disease Progression in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. Ravneet Vohra, RSD-PT student, 2012.
- Presence, Assessment and Plasticity of Descending Pathways after Spinal Cord Injury. Martina Spiess, RSD-PT student, 2012.
- Respiratory Muscle Overload Training and Diaphragm Remodeling. Barbara Smith RSD-PT student, 2010.
- Impact of Viral Mediated Insulin-Like Growth Factor I on Skeletal Muscle Following Cast Immobilization. Fan Ye, RSD-PT student, 2010.
- Physiological Stress during Failed Spontaneous Breathing Trials in Prolonged Mechanical Ventilation Patients. Harshavardhan Deoghare, RSD-PT student, 2010.
- Neuroplasticity in the phrenic motor system: intermittent hypoxia, spinal cord injury, and stem cell transplantation. Milapjit Sandhu, RSD-PT student, 2010.
- Breakdown Probability Model at Freeway-Ramp Merges Based on Driver Behavior, Alexandra Kondyli Engineering PhD student, 2009.
- A lane-changing model for urban arterial streets. Daniel(Jian) Sun, Engineering PhD student, 2009.
- Responsiveness Comparison of Two Upper-Extremity Outcome Measures. Leigh Lehman. RSD-OT student, 2008.
- Adaptations in skeletal muscle following spinal cord injury and locomotor training. Min Liu, RSD-PT student 2006.
- Generalization of repetitive rhythmic bilateral training. Claudia Senesac, RSD-PT student, 2006.
- Effect of jaw and tongue position on suprahyoid muscle function during swallowing. Lori Fitsimones, RSD-CD Committee member, student, 2005.
- Adaptations in skeletal muscle during cast immobilization and rehabilitation in an animal model. Tiffany Frimel, RSD-PT doctoral student, 2004.
- Expiratory muscle strength training in individuals with multiple sclerosis and healthy controls. Toni Chiara, RSD-PT doctoral student, 2003.

- Afferent mechanisms in the perceptual and RREP response to inspiratory resistive loads. Weiyang Zhao, Physical Therapy Doctoral Student, 2002.
- Respiratory sensation in normal subjects: the relationship between inspiratory motor drive and perception during resistive loading and pressure threshold loading. Chien Hui Huang, Physical Therapy Doctoral Student, 2002.
- Depression and Clinical Pain Perception. John Otis, Clinical Psychology Doctoral Student, 2000.
- Sex and Gender: Relative contribution to cardiovascular reactivity and experimental pain report. Cynthia D. Myers, Clinical Psychology Doctoral Student, 1998-1999.

*Master's Thesis and Research Project: - Committee Chair:*

- Establishing Norms on the DynEx digital dynamometer. Christine Janaro, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2002-2003.
- Validity and Reliability of the DynEx digital dynamometer. Lisa Gestewitz, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2002-2003.
- Sincerity of effort of elbow flexion on the BTE-Primus. Kathy Kilar, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2002-2003.
- Detecting sincerity of effort of elbow flexion using BTE=Primus. Rebecca Kobernic, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2001-2002.
- How do therapists administer the rapid exchange grip test? A nation-wide survey. Sara Goodall, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2001-2002.
- Detecting sincerity of effort using the rapid exchange grip test. Emily Kokendoffer, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2001-2002.
- The effectiveness of the five-rung grip test in detecting sincerity of effort. Zeida Gutierrez, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2001-2002.
- Grip strength of wheelchair users. Tara Donohue, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2001-2002.
- Determining sincerity of effort of grip strength on the BTE-Primus. Lisa Hope, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2000-2001.
- The effectiveness of the five-rung grip test in detecting full effort. Dorothy Chiu, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2000-2001.
- The effectiveness of the rapid exchange grip test in detecting full effort. Huang Tran, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2000-2001.
- Low weight infants and transportation child restraints. Brianna L. Nipper, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 2000-2001.
- Using the BTE-Primus to measure static and dynamic wrist flexion strength in physically active wheelchair users: a preliminary investigation. Catherine Locklear, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 1999-2000.
- Using the BTE to measure grip strength in physically active wheelchair users: an exploratory study. Leanne Moore, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 1999-2000.
- A comparative study of grip strength testing using the BTE-Primus and the Jamar Dynamometer. Rick Davenport, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 1999-2000.

- Standardizing the protocol of the Rapid Exchange Grip Test. Catherine Taylor, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 1998-99.
- The Use of the Coefficient of Variation in Conjunction with the Rapid Exchange Grip Test in Detecting Sincerity of Effort. Eduardo Vergara, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 1998-99.
- Manual Dexterity in Parkinson's Disease: The Effect of Pallidotomy. Antonio Garcia, Occupational Therapy Masters Student. Committee Chair, 1997-98.
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