

Whitney Antolick Interview:

How would you describe your area of study to your grandmother?

I would say that my area of study deals with helping individuals communicate effectively, whether that is through speech or some other alternative means of communication.

What is your primary motivation for persevering through graduate school?

Knowing that one day I will be able to help individuals of any age with something as important as communication.

Do you think there is any value in social networking with other graduate students in non-related fields?

Sure-I'm sure we can all learn things from each other, regardless of what field we are in.

What is your favorite stress-reduction technique?

Playing with my dog

What is the last book you read strictly for pleasure and how long ago was it?

Dear John, about 3 months ago

Please describe your most meaningful academic relationship.

Working with Dr. Smith in my graduate assistantship and teaching fellowship has been the most meaningful academic relationship. She has taught me a lot, and I appreciate everything she does for me. I definitely couldn't have done it without her help.

What surprised you the most about graduate school?

It isn't quite as hard and stressful as I thought it would be.

If travel to Mars happens in your lifetime, would you want to be one of the scientists on board? If yes, what would you contribute to the mission?

No-I think I would leave that to someone else.

What is your favorite comfort food and why? How often do you consume it?

French fries; I just love them; probably 1-2 times a week

If you hadn't been admitted to graduate school, what do you think you would be doing right now?

Working as an SLP assistant and re-applying to graduate school

When do you expect to complete your degree?

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