

Sadie Arnold's Honor's Excel research project is a fascinating study on "Exploring the Effects of Dance in Aphasia Rehabilitation". I was the primary mentor to Sadie from the beginning of the project. Some of my mentoring/advising responsibilities included giving Sadie feedback on: articulation of the goals of the project; project proposal and syllabus; strategies for testing subjects; progress reports and journal entries; and summative reports. I created rubrics, communicated with the Excel office, wrote evaluations, graded Sadie's work, and did CITI Social and Behavioral training leading to IRB certification. I made the purchases for test kits for her project, read and suggested articles related to her research, and met monthly in-person to visit project successes and well as areas to strengthen.

Dr. Matthew Smith, WVU Director of Neurocritical Care, with the addition to other medical professionals, contributed greatly to Sadie's project success.