

Cindy Esquivias graduated from Mount St. Mary's University in Los Angeles with a Master of Science in Education, and CSU East Bay with a Master of Science in Speech and Language Pathology. While working as a high-school English teacher, Cindy was taken aback at how many of her students were reading well below grade level. Seeing this disparity in the classroom inspired her to pursue a career in Speech-Language Pathology, as she realized how important early intervention was—especially when working in low-SES communities. She has a strong passion for working with pediatric populations with speech, language, feeding, and swallowing disorders. Her areas of interest include early intervention, family-centered care, pediatric dysphagia, myofunctional disorders, bilingualism, and literacy. She has experience working in private practice settings, home-based early intervention, as well as medical settings--both outpatient and inpatient. Additionally, Cindy has served as a lecturer for CSU East Bay and will soon join San Jose State University as a lecturer in their Communicative Disorders and Sciences department. Cindy is currently based in Los Angeles where she provides in-home and virtual EI services in South Central Los Angeles, as well as virtual feeding services for a Bay Area-based practice.