A PANEL DISCUSSION
DIVERSITY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
THE FUTURE OF ACCESSABILITY
FROM DISABILITY TO ABILITY

Discussion Topics:
Dr. Robert Gregg - Robotics for Amputees
Dr. Kenneth Pugh - New Trends for Individuals with Hearing Loss
Dr. Richard Scotch - Americans with Disabilities Act

Location: Callier Center
Date: October 12, 2016
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Richard K. Scotch is Professor of Sociology and Public Policy at the University of Texas at Dallas. Dr. Scotch’s research interests include social policy reform and social movements in disability, health care, education, and human services. He has published three books and numerous articles on disability politics, policy, and law. Dr. Scotch is past president of the Society for Disability Studies (SDS). He was named a Mary Switzer Scholar by the National Rehabilitation Association in 2000, and was awarded the 2013 SDS Senior Scholar Award and the 2014 Distinguished Contributions to the Field Award of the ASA Section on Disability and Society. Dr. Scotch is also actively engaged in community affairs in North Texas, and has recently served on the boards of directors for the North Texas Behavioral Health Authority and the Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance.

Robert D. Gregg IV received his B.S. degree in electrical engineering and computer sciences from the University of California, Berkeley in 2006 and the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in electrical and computer engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 2007 and 2010, respectively. He joined the Departments of Bioengineering and Mechanical Engineering at the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) as an Assistant Professor in June 2013. His research concerns the control mechanisms of bipedal locomotion with application to wearable control systems, including prostheses and orthoses. Dr. Gregg is a recipient of the NIH Director’s New Innovator Award and the Career Award at the Scientific Interface from the Burroughs Wellcome Fund. Dr. Gregg is a Senior Member of the IEEE Control Systems Society and the IEEE Robotics & Automation Society.

Kenneth Pugh joined the Doctor of Audiology Program (AuD) faculty in 2010 and currently works as Clinical Associate Professor and Master Clinician in the UT Dallas’ School of Brain and Behavior Sciences. He received his PhD in Audiology and Health Services Administration from the University of Florida. Dr. Pugh is a Fellow of the American Academy of Audiology, holds the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, and is licensed to practice Audiology and dispense hearing aids in the State of Texas and Hawaii. Dr. Pugh’s current research interests are geared towards developing a better understanding of hearing loss vis-à-vis functional health and literacy and telehealth/teleaudiology applications. Additional activities include research integration and facilitation of training activities of the AuD program in the Callier Audiology Clinic.