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## **Ph.D., Biomedical Engineering** (*December 2017*)

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

Advisor: Professor Jill McNitt-Gray, Ph.D.

Dissertation: Regulation of Linear and Angular Impulse Generation: Implications for Athletic Performance

## **M.S., Biomedical Engineering** (*May 2013*)

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

## **B.S., Engineering** (*May 2011*)

Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA

### Current Position

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#### **Arizona State University**

*Lecturer – Kinesiology*

Phoenix, AZ

2018 – Present

Advance higher education of students studying to be physicians, physical therapists, coaches, and trainers by leading hands-on experiences and classes in biomechanics and kinesiology.

### Previous Positions

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#### **United States Olympic Committee**

*Performance Coach / Biomechanics Consultant*

Chula Vista / Los Angeles, CA

2011 – 2018

Provided high-level coaching, biomechanics analysis, and written reports of national and Olympic athletes for USA Track and Field, USA Volleyball, USA Swimming, and USA Diving.

- Used technology to deliver impulse generation and movement feedback to players and coaches
- Worked with coaches to monitor and assess each individual's progress for performance and injury risk

#### **University of Southern California Athletics**

*Performance Coach / Biomechanics Consultant*

Los Angeles, CA

2011 – 2018

Provided enhanced feedback and monitored athletes over time to determine performance improvement and assess injury risk for USC volleyball, tennis, track, cross-country, and golf.

- Used technology to augment feedback and improve movement performance 1-on-1 with players
- Assessed load exposure over time using 3D sensors on the lower and upper extremities

#### **Conejo Valley Multisport Masters**

*Performance Coach*

Los Angeles, CA

2009 – 2018

Trained swimmers and triathletes ranging from beginner to Olympic level with a focus on individual athlete education and understanding both in small and large group settings.

- Created and coached workouts while communicating group and individual specific goals
- Educated athletes by breaking down movements into goal-directed tasks using external cues

## Classes

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### **KIN 334: Functional Anatomy**

Introduce students to the concepts of muscle anatomy by teaching them how to:

- Identify origin and insertion points for muscles that produce primary human movements with the help of prerequisite knowledge of important bones, bony features, and muscles
- Derive each major muscle's action based on their origin, insertion, and structure
- Identify the joint characteristics, primary tendons, and ligaments for each major joint
- Apply this knowledge to the evaluation of human movement, common musculoskeletal injuries / impairments, and muscular function

### **KIN 335: Biomechanics**

Introduce students to total body, joint level, and tissue level biomechanics by teaching students to:

- Apply the basics of linear and angular kinematics, Newton's laws, linear kinetics, and torque to human movement and describe examples of how these principles are related to performance and injury
- Gain an understanding of the mechanical and structural properties of the musculoskeletal system

### **KIN 418: Experimental Neuromechanics**

Advance students understanding of biomechanics and motor control by teaching students how to:

- Explain the theory, proper use techniques, and limitations of electromyography, kinematic video analysis, and force plates
- Perform data collection, analysis, reporting, and interpretation with various equipment
- Propose and execute original quantitative analyses utilizing equipment covered in the course
- Effectively present and disseminate biomechanics and motor control related information

## Teaching and Mentoring

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### **Barrett Honors Contracts**

Worked with Barrett Honors students in Biomechanics on projects looking at performing and analyzing video of athletes in the field for the purposes of determining and improving performance.

- Met weekly with students to discuss literature and guide investigation direction
- Culminated in 15 minute professional presentation to fellow Barrett students
- Worked with 4 students in Fall 2018

## Service and Community Engagement

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### **Athletic Affinity Network**

Fall 2018 – Present

Affinity network looking to form into a translational team between athletes, trainers, coaches, medical personnel, students, teachers, and major community partners.

- Participated in meetings working towards forming relationships between CHS, ASU Athletics, and community partners such as Global Sports Institute
- Generated, modified, and submitted documentation for the Athletics Affinity Network Proposal
- Currently working with Auckland University of Technology to form graduate program for new Sports Science and Performance Major

## Summer Bridge Program

Fall 2018 – Present

Committee charged with the primary goal of creating program for incoming freshman to introduce potential career paths via CHS majors with secondary goal of improving freshman retention within CHS.

- Participated in meetings working towards designing the program length and content of a Summer Bridge Program for Summer of 2019
- Surveyed current students as to preferred content and duration of a potential program
- Working towards connecting with community partners and medical professionals for potential participation in program

## Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring

Fall 2018 – Present

Committee charge with the goal of investigating and potentially creating pathway within Kinesiology for students to pursue a degree / certification for work in Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring (IONM)

- Participated in meetings with current medical professionals interested in expanding the Kinesiology major to include certification and internships in IONM

## Professional Publications and Presentations

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**Ramos, C.D.,** Wilcox, R.R., McNitt-Gray, J.L. (accepted November 2018) “Generation of Linear Impulse during the Takeoff of the Long Jump”, *Journal of Applied Biomechanics*

**Ramos, C.D.,** McNitt-Gray, J.L., “Regulation of Linear Impulse during the Takeoff of the Long Jump”, 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Fred S. Grodins Research Symposium, Los Angeles, California 2017 (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.,** McNitt-Gray, J.L., “The Effect of Augmented Feedback versus Timing Feedback on Quick First Step Impulse Generation in Volleyball Players”, 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Fred S. Grodins Research Symposium, Los Angeles, California 2016 (presentation)

McNitt-Gray, J.L., **Ramos, C.** et al. (2015) “Using Technology and Engineering to Facilitate Skill Acquisition and Improvements in Performance”, *Journal of Sports Engineering and Technology*: 229 (2)

**Ramos, C.D.,** Sidaway, B., McNitt-Gray, J.L., “The Effect of Augmented Feedback on Impulse Generation During a Quick First Step”, 2015 International Society of Biomechanics, Glasgow, Scotland (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.,** Sidaway, B., McNitt-Gray, J.L., “Quick First Step Impulse Generation and the Effect of Augmented Feedback”, 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Fred S. Grodins Research Symposium, Los Angeles, California 2015 (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.,** McNitt-Gray, J.L., “Conversion of Horizontal to Vertical Momentum in Realistic Contexts: Volleyball Blocking”, 2014 World Congress of Biomechanics, Boston, Massachusetts (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.,** McNitt-Gray, J.L., “Conversion of Horizontal to Vertical Momentum in Realistic Contexts: Volleyball Blocking”, 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Fred S. Grodins Research Symposium, Los Angeles, California 2014 (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.,** McNitt-Gray, J.L., “Lateral Impulse Generation in an Unexpected Quick First Step”, 2013 Southwest American College of Sports Medicine, Irvine, California (invited speaker presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.,** McNitt-Gray, J.L., “Lateral Momentum Generation in a Quick First Step”, 2013 American Society of Biomechanics, Omaha, Nebraska (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.**, McNitt-Gray, J.L., Mathiyakom, W., “Common Multijoint Control Strategies for Generating Backward Angular Momentum in Forward and Backward Translating Tasks”, 2013 International Society of Biomechanics, Natal, Brazil (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.**, McNitt-Gray, J.L., Mathiyakom, W., “Multijoint Control Strategies for Generating Backward Angular Impulse in Forward and Backward Translating Tasks”, 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Fred S. Grodins Research Symposium, Los Angeles, California 2013 (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.**, McNitt-Gray, J.L., Mathiyakom, W., “Common Control Strategies for Generating Angular Momentum in Forward and Backward Translating Tasks”, 2012 American Society of Biomechanics, Gainesville, Florida (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.**, McNitt-Gray, J.L., Mathiyakom, W., “Common Control Strategies for Generating Angular Impulse in Forward and Backward Translating Tasks”, 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Fred S. Grodins Research Symposium, Los Angeles, California 2012 (presentation)

**Ramos, C.D.**, Ahn, A.N., Lim, C., “*In Vitro* Antagonistic Control of Frog Leg Muscles by Nerve Stimulation, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Claremont, CA 2011 (presentation)