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**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

*Penn State University*, Department of Communication Arts and Sciences

Graduate Assistant Fall 2020-present

*University of Arkansas*, Gender Studies Department

Graduate Instructor Summer 2019-Spring 2020

*University of Arkansas*, Communication Department

Graduate Instructor Summer 2019-Spring 2020

*University of Arkansas*, Bogle Student-Athlete Success Center

Learning Assistant Fall 2019-Summer 2020

Academic Tutor Fall 2018-Summer 2020

*University of Missouri*, Mizzou Global Academy K-12

Global Teaching Assistant Summer 2018-Fall 2019

*Missouri Southern State University*, Communication Department

Course Assistant Spring 2016-Spring 2017

**EDUCATION**

*Penn State University*

Ph.D. Communication Arts and Sciences Anticipated 2024

*University of Arkansas*

M.A. Communication Summer 2020

Specialization: Rhetoric and Queer Critique

Thesis: “Assimilating through Consumption: A Rhetorical History of the Early Years of The Advocate”

Committee: Lisa Corrigan (Chair), Ryan Neville-Shepard, Lindsey Aloia

GPA: 4.0 on a 4.0 scale

*Missouri Southern State University*

B.S. Communication Spring 2018

Major 1: Mass Communication

Major 2: Public Relations

Minor 1: Sociology

Minor 2: English with an Emphasis in Literature

Minor 3: Speech Communication

Honors Thesis: “Student Opinions of LGBTQ+ Anti-Discrimination Laws”

GPA: 3.7 on a 4.0 scale

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Book Reviews**

Butcher-Spellman, C. Review of *Queer Timing: The Emergence of Lesbian Sexuality in Early Cinema,* by Susan Potter, *Women’s Studies in Communication*, (*forthcoming*).

Butcher-Spellman, C. Review of *Buying Gay: How Physique Entrepreneurs Sparked a Movement*, by David Johnson, *QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking*, (*forthcoming*).

Butcher-Spellman, C. Review of *The Children of Harvey Milk: How LGBTQ Politicians Changed the World,* by Andrew Reynolds, *Southern Communication Journal*, 84, 4 (2019): 263-264.

**Encyclopedia Entries**

Butcher-Spellman, C. Queer Melodrama. Oxford Encyclopedia of Queer Studies & Communication, edited by Isaac N. West, E. Cram, Frederik Dhaenens, Pam Lannutti, and Gust Yep, Oxford University Press (forthcoming).

**CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

**Competitively Selected Papers**

“‘I’m Just Like You’: A Close Reading and Genre Analysis of *Love, Simon* (2018),” Paper Presentation at the Annual Convention of the Southern States Communication Association, Frisco, TX, *upcoming* April 1-5, 2020.

Recipient: Top Student Paper, Gender Studies Division

“Assimilating through Consumption: *The Advocate*’s Construction of Gay Power and Interpellation of Queer Readers as Consumers,” Paper Presentation at the Annual Convention of the Southern States Communication Association, Frisco, TX, April 1-5, 2020.

“Erasure of Intersectional Bisexual, Polysexual, and Pansexual Identities: Instagram’s Algorithm and the Competition for Clout,” Paper Presentation at the Annual Convention of the National Communication Association, Baltimore, MD, November 14-17, 2019.

“From Violence towards Peace: The Same-Sex Marriage Debate in Northern Ireland,” Paper Presentation at the Annual Missouri Southern State University Research Symposium, Joplin, MO, April 25, 2018.

“From Violence towards Peace: The Same-Sex Marriage Debate in Northern Ireland,” Oral Presentation at the Annual Ozark Technical College Honors Conference, Springfield, MO, April 14, 2018.

“Student Opinions of LGBTQ+ Anti-Discrimination Laws” (Second Iteration of Survey), Oral Presentation at the Annual Missouri Southern State University Research Symposium, Joplin, MO, April 26, 2017.

“Student Opinions of LGBTQ+ Anti-Discrimination Laws” (First Iteration of Survey), Oral Presentation at the Annual Great Plains Honors Council Conference, Siloam Springs, AR, April 8-10, 2016.

“Student Opinions of LGBTQ+ Anti-Discrimination Laws” (First Iteration of Survey), Poster Presentation at the Annual Missouri Southern State University Research Symposium, Joplin, MO, April 28, 2016.

**Chaired Panels**

“Disruptive Queer Rhetoric: An Analysis of Gay Power, Queer Shock Value, Coming Out Narratives, and Christian University Rhetoric and Policy,” Paper Panel at the Annual Convention of the Southern States Communication Association, Frisco, TX, *upcoming* April 1-5, 2020.

“LGBTQ Erasure: ,” Paper Panel at the Annual Convention of the National Communication Association, Baltimore, MD, November 14-17, 2019.

Paper Panel at the Rhetoric, Politics, and Identity Conference: Containment Rhetoric and the Legacies of the Cold War, Fayetteville, AR, September 5-6, 2019.

**GRANTS AND FUNDING**

**National**

NCA Diversity Council Student Caucus Travel Grant Fall 2019

Travel to NCA, $170

**University of Arkansas**

Research and Travel

Communication Department Grant Fall 2019 Archival research and travel, $1,500

Graduate School Travel Grant Fall 2019 Travel to NCA, $600

Gender Studies Department Grant Fall 2019 Archival research and travel $550

A.L. Chilton Graduate Research Award Fall 2019 Archival research and travel $400

Communication Department Travel Grant Fall 2019 Travel to NCA, $100

Communication Department Award Fall 2019 NCA student membership, $60

Other Funding

Gender Studies Graduate Stipend 2019-2020

Spring 2020 January intersession, $1,905

Fall 2019 regular semester, $6,350

Fall 2019 August intersession, $2,190

Summer 2019 5-week session, $2,067

Communication Graduate Stipend

Fall 2019-Spring 2020 regular semesters, $12,699

Summer 2019 5-week session, $2,067

Fall 2018-Spring 2019, $12,813

Communication Graduate Tuition Waiver 2018-2020 Fall 2019-Spring 2020, $10,337 total maximum

Summer 2019, $1,261 Fall 2018-Spring 2019, $10,087 total maximum

**Missouri Southern State University**

Research and Travel

International Studies Department Grant Spring 2018 Travel and experiential learning, $500

McCaleb Initiative for Peace Grant Spring 2017 Study abroad research, $4,000

International Studies Department Grant Fall 2016 Conference travel, $500

International Studies Department Grant Spring 2015 Short-term study abroad, $1,000

Other Funding

The Chart Journalism Award 2017-2018 Student journalism and leadership, $1,031

Southern Theatre Scholarship 2016-2018 Public relations and design, 2 awards, $4,400

Lion Ambassador Scholarship 2015-2018 University outreach and fundraising, 3 awards, $1000 total

Rebecca Blair Hughes Award 2016-2017 Student and community journalism, $1,800

The Evans Scholarship 2013-2017 Honors full-ride scholarship, 4 awards, $24,000 total

Presidential Scholarship 2013-2017

Tuition, 4 awards, $7,000 total

Cross Country, Indoor Track, and Outdoor Track Scholarship 2013-2016 Living costs, 3 awards, $4,500 total

Access Missouri Grant 2013-2015 Living costs, 2 awards, $2,500 total

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Instructor of Record**

University of Arkansas, Communication Department

COMM 1313 Public Speaking

9 sections: Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019, Fall 2019, and Spring 2020

University of Arkansas, Gender Studies Department

GNST 2003 Introduction to Gender Studies

GNST 2003H/HUMN 2003H Honors Introduction to Gender Studies

4 combination sections of honors and non-honors students: Summer 2019, August Intersession 2019, Fall 2019, and January Intersession 2020

**Supplemental Instruction**

University of Arkansas, Bogle Student-Athlete Success Center

Intensive Team Study Hall for Humanities and Social Sciences

Numerous courses in Humanities and Social Sciences

Fall 2019-Summer 2020

Academic Tutor for Individuals and Small Groups

Numerous courses in Communication, Sociology, Journalism, English, History, and Political Science

Fall 2018-Summer 2020

University of Missouri, Mizzou Global Academy K-12

Global Teaching Assistant for Grades 6-12

Literature and Writing Courses for English Language Learners

Summer 2018-Summer 2019

*Missouri Southern State University,* Communication Department

Course Assistant

COMM 0100 Oral Communication

Spring 2016-Spring 2017

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

**University of Arkansas**

Communication Graduate Student Liaison, nominated Spring 2019 Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society, inducted Spring 2019

**Missouri Southern State University**

Graduated Cum Laude Spring 2018

Honors Graduate Award Spring 2018

Glen Dolence Leadership-Service Award Spring 2018

Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honors Society, inducted Spring 2018

Sigma Tau Delta Honors Society of English, inducted Spring 2018

Missouri College Media Association Award Spring 2018

Deans’ List Spring 2018

Deans’ List Spring 2017

Award for Service to Vivid Fine Arts Magazine Spring 2017

Deans’ List Fall 2017

Omicron Delta Kappa National Honors Society, inducted Fall 2016

Deans’ List Fall 2016

Deans’ List Fall 2015

**WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS**

Unpacking White Feminism with Rachel Cargle June 2020

Transitioning Courses to Online Learning May 2020

Study Hall Training January 2020

Tutor Training January 2020

Suicide Prevention Training by QPR Institute November 2019

NCA Pre-Conference Workshop: What is Survival? November 2019

Equal Opportunity, Implicit Bias, and Title IX Training October 2019

Study Hall Training August 2019

Tutor Training August 2019

“Seeing Disabilities Through a Different Lens” August 2019

Communication Instructor Training August 2019

Diversity and Inclusion Training June 2019

Tutor Training May 2019

Tutor Training August 2019

FERPA, Sexual Harassment, and Diversity Training January 2019

Writing & Tutoring Strategies Workshop January 2019

Learning Strategies Training and Workshop February 2019

Teaching Objectives, Study Skills, and Setting Goals March 2019

Title IX Training August 2018

Utilizing Technology in the Classroom August 2018

Graduate Instructor Training August 2018

Communication Instructor Training August 2018

Blackboard Training for Instructors August 2018

Canvas Training Course, University of Missouri-Columbia July 2018

Training on Gendered and Sexual Violence March 2017

Blackboard Training for Course Assistants April 2016

**CERTIFICATIONS**

Diversity and Inclusion Certificate 2020

University of Arkansas Human Resources Department

Certification College Reading and Learning Association 2019

Level 1 International Tutor Certification 2019

Professional Development Certificate in Canvas 2018 University of Missouri

Google Analytics Certificate 2017

Social and Behavioral Research Certificate 2016 Collaborative Institutional Research Initiative

**INVITED LECTURES**

How to Improve Your Social Media Presence and LinkedIn March 2020

Roundtable Participant Discussing Graduate Research October 2019

Campus-wide Lecture and Presentation of Thesis Results May 2017

Professionalizing Your Social Media Presence February 2017

How to Improve Your LinkedIn Presence October 2016

**OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

The Chart Newspaper

Social Media and Web Editor Fall 2017-Spring 2018

Journalist Spring 2016-Spring 2018

KGCS-TV

Videographer and Master Control Operator Fall 2016-Spring 2018

Southern Theatre

Publicist Fall 2016-Spring 2018

Vivid Fine Arts Magazine

Contributor and Content Creator Spring 2017

Joplin Globe Newspaper

Journalism and Social Media Intern Fall 2016

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

National Communication Association Fall 2019-present

Southern States Communication Association Fall 2019-present

**SERVICE AND ENGAGEMENT**

**Communication Discipline**

Southern States Communication Association Conference 2020

Reviewer for Rhetoric and Public Address Division

**University of Arkansas**

Communication Graduate Student Liaison, nominated Spring 2019

Queer Mentor Fall 2019-Spring 2020

Graduate Liaison to Communication Department Fall 2019- Spring 2020

Lavender Society, Co-Founder and Vice President Summer 2019-Spring 2020

Graduate Teaching Mentor Spring 2019- Spring 2020

Organizer of Cohort Outings and Writing Sessions Fall 2018-Spring 2019

Diversity Ambassadors Fall 2018-Spring 2020

Diversity and Inclusion Student Council Fall 2018-Spring 2020

Students for Gender Equality Fall 2018-Spring 2020

UArk PRIDE Fall 2018-Spring 2020

**Missouri Southern State University**

MSSU Lion Ambassadors Spring 2016-Spring 2018

The Friendly Immigrant Fall 2016-Spring 2018

Public Relations Director Spring 2018

Public Relations Student Society of America Fall 2014-Spring 2018

Secretary/Historian Fall 2016-Spring 2017

MSSU Honors Program Fall 2013-Spring 2018

Epsilon Mu Sigma Honors Society Fall 2013-Spring 2018