

Curriculum Vita

Education

- Ph.D. **Indiana University Department of Communication and Culture** October 2019
Emphasis: Rhetoric and Public Culture
Minor: Cultural Studies with an emphasis on Colonial Studies
Dissertation: "The Rhetoric of Benevolence: Invisible Children and the Construction of Whiteness in Philanthropy"
Dissertation Advisor: Robert Terrill
Minor Advisor: Vivian Halloran
Committee Members: Robert L. Ivie, John Louis Lucaites
- Certificate in Pedagogy** July 2016
Requires Introduction to Pedagogy and Advanced Pedagogy coursework, a pedagogy practicum, and a pedagogy exam.
- M.S. **University of North Texas** August 2012
Communication Studies
Emphasis: Rhetorical Studies
Thesis: "The Myth of Emmetropia: Perception in Visual Rhetoric"
Thesis Advisor: Brian Lain
Committee Members: Darrel Wanzer-Serrano, Shaun Treat
- B.S. **Abilene Christian University** May 2010
Human Communication
Minor: Psychology

Academic Appointments

- Clemson University**
August 2018-Present – Lecturer in the Department of Communication
- Indiana University**
August 2012-June 2018 – Associate Instructor and Research Assistant
- University of North Texas**
August 2010-May 2012 – Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant

Teaching Experience

- Clemson University:**
- Graduate Courses**
COMM 8740: Communication Education
- Undergraduate Courses**
HON 2010: Maps, Messages, and Meaning (Honors Structures and Society)
COMM2020: Communication Theory
COMM 2500 (Honors): Public Speaking
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- Indiana University:**
ENG-R 228: Argumentation and Public Advocacy
X153: Reading and Reasoning for the Introductory College Student
CMCL C324: Persuasion: Race and the Trope of Memory
CMCL C205: Introduction to Communication and Culture
CMCL C121: Public Speaking

University of North Texas:

COMM 2140: Rhetoric and Argument

COMM 1010: Introduction to Communication

COMM 2020: Interpersonal Communication

Publications

Kaszynski, Elizabeth. "'Look, a [picture]!': Visuality, Race, and What We Do Not See." *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 102, no. 1 (2016): 62-78. doi:10.1080/00335630.2015.1136074.

Richardson, B. K., Siebeneck, L., Shaunfield, S., & Kaszynski, B. (March 2014). From "No Man's Land" to a "Stronger Community": Communitas as a Theoretical Framework for Successful Disaster Recovery. *International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters*.

Book Reviews

Kaszynski, Elizabeth. "The Cruel Radiance: Photography and Political Violence by Susie Linfield (review)." *Rhetoric and Public Affairs* 18, no. 4 (2015): 787-90. doi:10.14321/rhetpublaffa.18.4.0787.

Presentations

(Upcoming) May 2020 – "The Hospitality of the Road: Visual Culture, Maps as Arguments, and Reading 'The Green Book,'" Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Portland OR.

(Upcoming) May 2020 – "Privilege and Hospitality: Land Acknowledgement and the Recognition of Colonized Spaces," Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Portland OR.

November 2018 – Panel Presenter on "'Shithole Countries': U.S./African Relations in the Trump Era," National Communication Association, 104th Annual Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

September 2018 – "The Downfall of the White Savior: Jason Russell, KONY2012, and the Histories of Benevolent Whiteness," Top Graduate Student Paper Panel, Carolina's Communication Association Conference, Charlotte, NC; Mary E Jarrard Prize for Graduate Student Research.

May/June 2018 – "Voluntourism: Destabilizing Aid as Neocolonial Gift-Giving," with Jenna Hanchey – 18th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Minneapolis, MN.

March 2018 – "Exhibiting White Saviors: *Invisible Children Rough Cut* and Ambivalent Benevolence," The Society for Cinema & Media Studies Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada.

November 2017 – "The Formation of the American White Savior: Benevolent Whiteness and Imperial Humanitarianism," National Communication Association, 103rd Annual Convention, Dallas, TX.

November 2017 – Presenter in "What's Moving in Social Movements, Part 2: The Urgency of Mobilization and Rhetorical Theory-Building in Vitriolic Times," National Communication Association, 103rd Annual Convention, Dallas, TX.

May 2016 – "Shopping for Change: Fair Trade as a Performance of Global Citizenship," 17th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Atlanta GA.

May 2016 – "Changing Stories: A Pedagogical Perspective on Social Action," 17th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Atlanta, GA.

February/March 2016 – "The Consumer-Citizen White Savior: Racial Implications of Consumer Capitalism as Aid," Western States Communication Association, Annual Convention, San Diego.

November 2015 – "'Look, a [picture]!': Visuality, Race, and What We Do Not See," National Communication Association, 101st Annual Convention, Las Vegas; Top Paper Panel, Visual Communication Division.

April 2015 – "Everyday Whiteness: *Stuff White People Like* and the Simulacrum of the Self," Central States Communication Association, 2015 Annual Conference, Madison, WI; Top Student Paper for the Popular Culture Interest Group, and Past Officer's Top Debut Papers Panel.

March 2015 – "White In Shining Armor: A Postcolonial Theory of Magnanimous Masculinity," 2015 Waterhouse Family Institute Symposium: Communication, Postcoloniality, and Social Justice: Decolonizing Imaginations, Villanova, PA.

- November 2014 – “Armed with Aid: Critiquing the Imperialist Implications of Humanitarian Aid,” National Communication Association, 100th Annual Convention, Chicago, IL.
- May 2014 – ““A Dance to Make It Sparkle and Shine”: Flashy Alterity and the Performance of Humanitarianism,” 16th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- April 2014 – “Discovering the Both/And: Kony 2012 and the Polarizing Discourse of International Activism” Southern States Communication Association 84th Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA.
- February/March 2014 – “Consumer Spaces/Aid Spaces: Considering the Implications of Benevolent Capitalism,” New Terrain: 8th Annual Indiana University Landscape, Space, & Place Graduate Student Conference, Bloomington, IN.
- November 2013 – “The Narrating Image: Agency of the Photograph in Narrating into the Future,” National Communication Association, 99th Annual Convention, Washington D.C.
- March 2013 – “Mapping the Borderlands: Kony 2012 and the Discourse of International Activism” New Terrain: 7th Annual Indiana University Landscape, Space, & Place Graduate Student Conference, Bloomington, IN.
- March 2013 – “Going Viral: KONY 2012 and the Case of Political Fan Activism,” University of North Texas New Voices, New Perspectives Student Research Conference, Denton, TX.
- April 2012 – “Seeing Blind Photography: Exploring How Vision is Constituted Through Absence,” Southern States Communication Association, 82nd Annual Convention, San Antonio, TX.
- April 2012 – “‘Take a Deep Breath:’ Utilizing Personal Phobia Experience in the Classroom to Ease Communication Apprehension in the Basic Course,” Southern States Communication Association, 82nd Annual Convention, San Antonio, TX.
- April 2012 – “I don’t know what y’all are gonna do but I’m gonna let our’s in’: Communitas as a Theoretical Framework for Successful Disaster Recovery,” Southern States Communication Association, 82nd Annual Convention, San Antonio, TX.
- November 2010 – “Bridging Communities with Local Food: Perceptions from Red State ‘Locavores,’” National Communication Association, 96th Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.

Conference and Workshop Participation

- Clemson Tigers ADVANCE Trailblazers participant, 2019-2020
- Clemson CT2 Critical Thinking Faculty Institute Participant, Summer 2019
- Basic Course Directors Conference Participant; May 2019, Sioux Falls, SD
- Clemson University General Education Assignment Tuning Participant; Office of Teaching Effectiveness and Innovation, Spring 2019
- National Communication Association Preconference Participant; Decolonizing the Core Communication Curriculum, 104th Annual Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Rhetoric Society of America 2017 Summer Institute “The Rest of the World: Recognizing Non-Western Rhetorical Traditions” Workshop Participant
- Rhetoric Society of America 2017 Summer Institute “(Re)signing the Racial Contract: Black Rhetoric and the Politics of Racial Resistance and Redemption” Seminar Participant
- University of Iowa Midwestern Winter Workshop Participant; 2017
- National Communication Association Doctoral Honors Seminar Participant; 2016
- Rhetoric Society of America 2015 Summer Institute “Human Rights, Civil Rights, and Global Citizenship” Workshop Participant
- Northwestern University Midwestern Winter Workshop Participant; 2015
- University of Illinois Midwestern Winter Workshop Participant; 2014
- Indiana Midwestern Winter Workshop Participant; 2013

Research Assistantships

- Dr. Brenda Weber – Content analysis of Google alerts, research connecting Mormonism to theories of Americanness, Whiteness, and Masculinity, assisting with book on mediated screen cultures; Fall 2015-Spring 2017; Summer 2017-Summer 2018 (Indiana University).
- Dr. John Lucaites – Assistant Director of the 2017 Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute; Summer 2016-Summer 2017 (Indiana University).
- Dr. Brian Richardson – Grounded theory coding and literature review for a paper; Spring 2011 (University of North Texas).
- Dr. Darrel Enck-Wanzer – Content analysis of news articles relating to Sonia Sotomayor; Spring 2011 (University of North Texas).

Professional Service

Service to Professional Associations

- National Communication Association Visual Communication Division Reviewer; 2016
- National Communication Association Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division Reviewer; 2015
- National Communication Association Visual Communication Division Reviewer; 2015
- National Communication Association Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division Reviewer; 2013
- University of North Texas New Perspectives Conference Panel Respondent; 2013
- National Communication Association Visual Communication Division Reviewer; 2012
- University of North Texas New Voices New Perspectives Reviewer (Undergraduate Papers); 2012
- National Communication Association Day of Service; 2011

Service to the University

- Clemson College of Behavioral, Social, and Health Sciences Faculty Senate Delegate; 2019/2020 Academic Year
- Clemson University Honors College Application Reviewer; 2018/2019 & 2019/2020 Academic Years

Service to the Department

Clemson University

- Clemson University Department of Communication Honors and Awards Committee; Fall 2018-Spring 2020
- Clemson University Department of Communication Ad Hoc Committee on Diversity and Inclusion; Fall 2018

Indiana University

- Rhetoric Society of America Graduate Student Chapter co-chair for the Indiana University Chapter “The Ivie League”, including hosting the 2015 RSA Graduate Student Webinar; 2015

University of North Texas

- University of North Texas Communication Organization of Graduate Students Vice-President and Faculty Liaison; Fall 2011.

Extracurricular University Service

- Clemson University Tiger SpeakOut Printed Materials Manager; Spring 2019-Fall 2019
- Clemson University Tiger SpeakOut Preliminary Judge; Fall 2018
- Clemson University Faculty Friends; Fall-Spring 2018

Conference Planning

- Indiana University Midwestern Winter Workshop Organizer; for Winter 2018
- Rhetoric Society of America 2017 Summer Institute Assistant Director
- Indiana University Digital Rhetoric Symposium planning committee; 2015
- Indiana University Landscape Space and Place conference committee; 2014

Honors/Awards

- 2018 Carolinas Communication Association Mary E. Jarrard Prize for Graduate Student Research.
- 2018 Service Award for Leadership and Special Initiatives, Indiana University Communication and Culture Ph.D. Program.
- 2016 National Communication Association Visual Communication Division Janis Edwards Article of the Year Award for ““Look, a [picture]!”: Visuality, Race, and What We Do Not See.” *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 102, no. 1 (2016): 62-78. doi:10.1080/00335630.2015.1136074.
- 2015-2016 Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Communication and Culture.
- 2015 Central States Communication Association Past Officer’s Top Debut Papers Panel, for “Everyday Whiteness: *Stuff White People Like* and the Simulacrum of the Self.”
- 2015 Top Student Paper Award, Popular Culture Interest Group, Central States Communication Association Convention, for “Everyday Whiteness: *Stuff White People Like* and the Simulacrum of the Self.”
- 2013 Indiana University Cultural Studies Brantlinger-Naremore essay prize, second place, for the essay “Feeding the Dream: The Sleep Cycle of Capitalism and Waking to a New World.”
- 2010 Graduated Magna Cum Laude with full honors as an Honors Scholar from Abilene Christian University

Grants/Funding

- Spring 2018 Indiana University College Arts and Humanities Institute (CAHI) Graduate Conference Travel Award
- Fall 2017 Travel Grant, Legacy Department of Communication and Culture
- Fall 2015 Indiana University College Arts and Humanities Institute (CAHI) Graduate Conference Travel Award
- Spring 2015 Travel Grant, Department of Communication and Culture
- Fall 2014 Travel Grant, Department of Communication and Culture
- Spring 2014 Travel Grant, Department of Communication and Culture
- Indiana University College of Arts and Sciences Research Fund 2012-2016
- Spring 2012 Graduate Student Support Grant, University of North Texas
- Abilene Christian University Presidential Scholarship, 2006-2010

Affiliations/Memberships

- Rhetoric Society of America, National Communication Association.

Research Interests

Critical Pedagogy, Rhetorical Theory & Criticism, Persuasion, Argumentation, Classical Rhetoric, Public Advocacy and Public Speaking, Kenneth Burke, Digital Rhetoric, Visuality & Visual Rhetoric, Racial Representations, Critical Race Theory, Critical Whiteness, White Savior Myth, Colonial Studies (Post-, De-, Neo-), Photographic Messages, Iconic Photographs, Civic Engagement, Humanitarian Aid.

Community Experience

Monroe County Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Indiana; 2014-2017

Serving as a CASA – investigating the progression of cases and court-ordered services, writing court reports, and advocating in person in court for the best interest of children under the supervision of the Department of Child Services; in addition, staffing and speaking at special events and recruiting as a CASA speaker.

Trinity Episcopal Church, Bloomington Indiana – Racial Justice Task Force Chair; 2017-2018

Organizer and Featured Speaker for April 2017 workshop “Recognizing Whiteness and Privilege in the Episcopal Church”

Planning committee for a workshop titled “Searching for Civil Discourse,” November 2017.