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*Curriculum Vitae*

Department of Communication Studies  
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**EDUCATION**

**Doctor of Philosophy**, Communication, University of Maryland, College Park, 2009.

**Master of Arts**, Communication, University of Maryland, College Park, 2004.

**Bachelor of Arts**, *cum laude*, Rhetoric and Media Studies, Willamette University, Salem, OR, 2002.

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Assistant Professor, Department of Communication Studies, University of Georgia, 2014 to present.

Lecturer, Department of Communication Studies, University of Georgia, 2011-2014.

Assistant Professor and Director of Forensics, Department of Communication, Lewis & Clark College,  
2009-2011

Assistant Professor/Assistant Director of Forensics, Department of English and Communication, Marian  
College, 2008-2009.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Maryland, 2002-2008.

Lecturer, Institute for Global Chinese Affairs, Summer 2003.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**In Print**

*Research*

“Polyvocality and the Personae of Blackness in Early Nineteenth- Century Slavery Discourse: The Counter  
Memorial against Colonization, 1816,” *Rhetoric & Public Affairs* 15 (2012): 235-66.

“Moderate Political Argument: A Philosophical and Technical Examination,” in Selected Proceedings of 15<sup>th</sup>  
AFA/NCA Summer Conference on Argumentation, Scott Jacobs, ed. 669-76. Washington, D.C.:  
National Communication Association, 2009. (with James F. Klumpp)

“Jimmy Carter: A Case Study in Listening,” *International Journal of Listening* 23 (2009): 141-52. (with Andrew  
D. Wolvin)

“Prudential Argumentation and John Marshall's Opinion in *Marbury v. Madison*,” *Argumentation and Advocacy*  
44 (2007): 1-17. [**Lead Essay**] (Published in 2008).

“Arguing Benevolence in the Colonization Debate, 1816,” in *Engaging Argument*, Patricia Riley, ed.  
(Washington, D.C.: National Communication Association, 2006), 148-154.

“Genres at Gettysburg: Abraham Lincoln, Edward Everett, and the War-Time Eulogy,” *Voices of Democracy* 1 (2006): 130-47. (with Belinda A. Stillion Southard; Published in 2009)

“Heightened Alert: The Altered Use of 'Evidence' in the 'Case' for War,” in *Critical Problems in Argumentation*, Charles Arthur Willard, ed. (Washington, D.C.: National Communication Association, 2005), 733-739.

### *Teaching*

*Presenting at Work: A Guide to Public Speaking in Professional Contexts* (with Christine Clapp). Washington, D.C.: Spoken with Authority, 2014.

### Works in Progress

“The Dynamic Plain Style: Quaker and Puritan Plain Styles in Early American Anti-Slavery Discourse,” [revised and resubmitted]

“Originalism, James Madison, and the Rhetoric of Disinterestedness” [under review]

### Book Reviews

Review of *In the Shadow of the Gallows: Race, Crime, and Civic Identity*, by Jeannine Marie DeLombard. *Rhetoric & Public Affairs* (forthcoming).

Review of *Common Bondage: Slavery as Metaphor in Revolutionary America*, by Peter A. Dorsey. *Rhetoric & Public Affairs* 14 (2011): 177-80.

Review of “From the Plaint to the Comic: Kenneth Burke's *Towards a Better Life*,” [essay] by Krista K. Betts Van Dyck. *KB Journal* [electronic journal] 3.2 (2007).

Review of *Kenneth Burke: A Dialogue of Motives*, by Jeffrey W. Murray. *Southern Communication Journal* 68 (2003): 355-56.

Review of *Art, Argument, and Advocacy: Mastering Parliamentary Debate*, by John Meany and Kate Schuster. *Argumentation and Advocacy* 40 (2003): 60-61.

### SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

“The Rhetoric and Politics of the Letter: A Roundtable Discussion,” National Communication Association Annual Convention, Las Vegas, NV, November 19-22, 2015 (accepted for presentation).

“The Liberia Lyceum and the Transatlantic Contestation of Black Citizenship, 1838–1850,” Popular Knowledge, Public Stage: Cultures of Lecturing and Learning in the Long Nineteenth Century, Alexandria, VA, September 24-26, 2015 (accepted for presentation).

“James Madison, Constitutional Interpretation, and the Rhetoric of Disinterestedness,” National Communication Association Convention, Chicago, IL, November 2014.

“James Madison's Notes of the Federal Convention and the Politics of Disinterestedness,” Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Conference, San Antonio, TX, May 2014.

“A Dialogue on Recently Published Books in the History of Rhetoric” (facilitator), Rhetoric Society of

- America Biennial Conference, San Antonio, TX, May 2014.
- “Argumentation and Debate Instruction in Prisons: A Panel Discussion on the State of the Practice,” National Communication Association, Orlando, FL, November 2012.
- “Adam Smith at the Federal Convention, 1787: Slavery, Rhetoric, and the Impartial Spectator,” American Society for the History of Rhetoric Symposium, Philadelphia, PA, May 2012.
- “The Audacity of the Plain Style: Quaker and Puritan Plain Styles in Early American Anti-Slavery Discourse,” 15<sup>th</sup> Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Philadelphia, PA, May 2012.
- “The Diversity of Emotion in Early-U.S. Antislavery Discourse,” National Communication Association, San Francisco, CA, November 2010.
- “Modern Day Slavery and the Problem of Memory,” National Communication Association, San Francisco, CA, November 2010.
- “The Failure of Socrates in the *Apology*,” The Life and Death of Socrates: An Interdisciplinary Inquiry, Lewis & Clark College, October 2010.
- “Henry Clay and African Colonization: Character, Moderate Rhetoric, and the Failure to Motivate,” National Communication Association, Chicago, IL, November 2009.
- “Collective Action or Faceless Movement? American Anti-Slavery Discourse, Free Black Communities and Questions of Authorship in the Early-Nineteenth Century,” National Communication Association, Chicago, IL, November 2009.
- “Early Radicalism in the Moral Rhetoric of Anti-Slavery, 1639-1760,” National Communication Association Convention, San Diego, CA, November 2008.
- “Transforming Citizenship Ironically: Burke's Master Tropes and Henry Highland Garnet's 'Sermon in the House of Representatives,' 1865,” National Communication Association Convention, San Diego, CA, November 2008.
- “Rhetorical Citizenship in Transition: The Correspondence of Liberian Americans as Deliberation, 1822-1850,” Conference on Rhetorical Citizenship, Copenhagen, Denmark, October 2008.
- “African American Colonized: Correspondence with the American Colonization Society,” Eastern Communication Association Conference. Pittsburgh, PA, May 2008.
- “Jimmy Carter: A Case Study in Presidential Listening,” International Listening Association Conference. Portland, ME, March, 2008. (with Andrew D. Wolvin)
- “Revolution and Restoration: Competing Rhetorics of American Slavery in the Age of Revolution, 1776-1817,” American Society for the History of Rhetoric Conference, Chicago, IL, November, 2007.
- “To Drain Them Off: African Colonization, Benevolent Rhetoric, and a Middle Way, 1816,” University of Maryland Department of Communication Colloquium, College Park, MD, September 21, 2007.

“Moderate Political Argument: A Philosophical and Empirical Examination,” AFA/NCA Conference on Argumentation, Alta, UT, August, 2007. (with James F. Klumpp)

“Dave Chappelle Goes to Africa: Competing Interpretations of Culture and Agency,” Southern States Communication Association Conference, Louisville, KY, March 2007.

“Marshall's Milieu: *Marbury v. Madison* and John Marshall's Call to Responsibility,” National Communication Association Convention, San Antonio, TX, November 2006 (**Selected as a Top Four Paper in Argumentation and Forensics**).

“Gettysburg Forgotten and Remembered: Genre Intersection in Everett's and Lincoln's Gettysburg Addresses,” National Communication Association Convention, San Antonio, TX, November 2006. (with Belinda A. Stillion Southard)

“Arguing Benevolence in the Colonization Debate, 1816,” AFA/NCA Conference on Argumentation, Alta, UT, August 2005.

“Power in Burke's 'Dialectic of Constitutions,'” 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Penn State Conference on Rhetoric and Composition/Triennial Conference of the Kenneth Burke Society, State College, PA, July 2005.

“African Colonization at the Turn of the Twentieth Century,” Invited Lecture for COMM 461: Voices of Leadership in the Twentieth Century.

“(Dis)Information as Cathartic Ritual in the Case of the Beltway Sniper(s),” National Communication Association Convention, Miami, FL, November 2003.

“Heightened Alert: The Altered Use of “Evidence” in the “Case” for War,” AFA/NCA Conference on Argumentation, Alta, UT, July/August, 2003.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Graduate Courses & Instructor Evaluations**

Semester/ Yr	Course #	Course Title	# of Students
FA14	COMM 8010	Seminar in Public Communication Education	6

**Undergraduate Courses & Instructor Evaluations**

Semester/ Yr	Course #	Course Title	# of Students	TAs Supervised
FA14	COMM 1100 LL	Introduction to Public Speaking	115	3
SP 2014	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	54	0
FA 2013	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	81	0
SU 2013	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	20	0
SP 2013	COMM 1100 LL	Introduction to Public Speaking	225	4
SP 2013	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	54	0

FA 2012	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	81	0
SU 2012	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	20	0
SP 2012	COMM 1100 LL	Introduction to Public Speaking	200	4
SP 2012	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	54	0
FA 2011	COMM 1100	Introduction to Public Speaking	81	0
SP 2014	COMM 2150H	Perspectives in Public Communication	20	0
SP 2012	COMM 2150H	Perspectives in Public Communication	20	0
FA 2011	COMM 2150 H	Perspectives in Public Communication	20	0
SP 2014	COMM 3300	Introduction to Rhetorical Criticism	25	0
FA 2013	COMM 3300	Introduction to Rhetorical Criticism	25	1
SP 2013	COMM 3300	Introduction to Rhetorical Criticism	25	0
FA 2012	COMM 3300	Introduction to Rhetorical Criticism	25	0

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP**

Guest Reviewer, *Rhetoric Society Quarterly*, Fall 2014.

Graduate Affairs Committee, Department of Communication Studies, University of Georgia, 2014-present.

Treasurer, American Society for the History of Rhetoric, 2011-present.

Grant Proposal Reviewer, International Debate Education Association, 2011-present.

Reader, American Society for the History of Rhetoric Dissertation Award Committee, 2011-present.

Chair, NCA Public Address Division Nominating Committee, 2013-14.

eLearning Commons 2 Early Adopters Program, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Georgia, 2012-13.

Member, American Society for the History of Rhetoric Steering Committee, 2010-2011.

Faculty Secretary and Parliamentarian, College of Arts and Sciences, Lewis & Clark College, 2010-2011.

Faculty Representative, Senior Commencement Speaker Selection Committee, Lewis & Clark College, 2010.

Irish Debates Selection Committee, National Parliamentary Debate Association, 2010.

Editorial Board, *Voices of Democracy*, 2009-present.

American Forensic Association, District II Committee Member, 2009-2011.

Essay Reviewer, Public Address Division of the National Communication Association, 2008- present.

Member, Nominating Committee, Public Address Division, National Communication Association, 2007-2008.

Member, University Library Council, University of Maryland, 2007-2008.

Essay Reviewer, Kenneth Burke Society Division of the National Communication Association, 2006-2008.

President, Communication Graduate Student Association, Department of Communication, University of Maryland, 2003-2004.

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Fellow for Innovative Teaching, Flipping the Classroom Faculty Development Project, University of Georgia Center for Teaching and Learning, 2015-2016. (\$2,000 stipend)

Writing Fellows Program, University of Georgia Center for Teaching and Learning, 2013-14.  
(\$1,000 stipend)

Teaching Academy, University of Georgia Center for Teaching and Learning, 2013-14.

Participant, Writing Intensive Program, University of Georgia, 2013-14.

\* Rhetorical Criticism course will be designated as Writing Intensive. Additionally, I will attend workshops throughout the term on the pedagogy of writing instruction.

eLearning Commons 2 Early Adopters Program, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Georgia, 2012-13.

### **OUTREACH**

Director, Public Speaking and Civic Engagement Camp, UGA Department of Communication Studies and UGA Office of Continuing Education, Summer 2012, 2013.

Workshop Leader, International Debate Education Association Program in New Orleans, Workshop for Debate Coaches in Charter and Recovery Schools, January 5-7, September 21, and October 5, 2012.

### **FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS AND HONORS**

Summer Research Grant, Lewis & Clark College, 2010 (\$3,500).

Forensics Service Award, Pi Kappa Delta Forensics Honor Society, 2010.

Faculty Development Mini-Grant, Marian College, 2008 (\$1,000).

Participant, NCA Doctoral Honors Seminar, University of Alabama, 2008.

Charles Richardson Award (Most Outstanding Doctoral Student), University of Maryland, 2008.

Doctoral Candidacy Fellowship, Department of Communication, University of Maryland, 2007.

Doctoral Fellowship, The Graduate School, University of Maryland, 2004-2006.

Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Award, The Graduate School, University of Maryland, 2005.

Laureate, James L. Golden Prize in Rhetoric, 2003.

Center for Teaching Excellence Outstanding Teacher Award, 2002-2003.

Masters Student of the Year, Department of Communication, University of Maryland, 2002-2003.

Departmental Honors, Rhetoric and Media Studies, Willamette University, 2001-2002.

Carson Undergraduate Research Grant, Willamette University, 2001-2002 (\$3,000).

**MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Society for the History of Rhetoric

Rhetoric Society of America

National Communication Association