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EDUCATION

M.S. South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD, May 2013
Communication Studies (Area: Rhetoric)
Advisor: Rebecca A. Kuehl Ph.D.
G.P.A.: 3.89
Thesis title:
"Christ's Love in Comic Form: A Queer and Visual Rhetorical Criticism of Chick Tracts"

B.A. Minnesota State University, Mankato, Minnesota, 2011
Advisor: James Dimock M.A.
Communication Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Queer theory and gender studies
Rhetorical criticism and public address
Political rhetoric and media
Critical cultural studies
Visual rhetoric
Rhetoric of citizenship

COURSES TAUGHT

South Dakota State University:

Graduate Teaching Assistant for Dr. Joshua Westwick, SPCM 101: Fundamentals of Speech in 2011-2013 academic years
Developed syllabi, graded speeches and written assignments, lectured on course materials and concepts, developed class activities, and compiled all grades

AWARDS AND HONORS

Academic:
Dean's List Award, South Dakota State University
Awarded four times in two academic years for maintaining a GPA of 3.0 or above

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Lambda Pi Eta
National Communication Association (NCA) with specific focus in:
- Political Communication Division
- Rhetorical Studies Division
- Forensics and Public Address Division
- GLBTQ Division
- GLBTQ Caucus

Central States Communication Association (CSCA)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Presenter (2008). Undergraduate Research Conference. Minnesota State University in Mankato, MN.
Topic: The Mississippi… Believe It! Campaign, and Potential Ramifications of Regional Ad Campaigns.

Presenter (2012). Speech Communication Association of South Dakota. South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD.
Topic: The Politics of Presence and Absence: Michele Bachmann's New Hampshire Debate.

Coder. (2012). Classroom immediacy in introductory astronomy courses. For Christopher Hunt in the completion of his Master's Thesis.

Presenter (2013). National Communication Association Conference in Washington D.C.
Topic: A Savage Connection: Equality, Citizenship, and Man on Dog

Author. (2013). A Savage Connection: Equality, Citizenship, and Man on Dog. Currently revising for submission.

Author. (2013). Christ's Love in Comic Form: A Queer and Visual Rhetorical Criticism of Chick Tracts. Currently paring and revising for submission.

Author. (2013). Value expressive communication in blog posts. With Dr. Jennifer Anderson and Jade Metzger. Currently revising for submission.

SERVICE

Discipline:

Student Representative. (2012). Rhetoric Division. National Communication Association. Orlando, FL.

Student Reviewer. (2012). Political Communication Division. National Communication Association. Orlando, FL.

Student Reviewer. (2012). Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered, Queer Division. Orlando, FL.

Student Reviewer. (2012) Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered, Queer Caucus. Orlando, FL.

Student Reviewer. (2012). Forensics and Public Address Division. Orlando, FL.

Student Reviewer. (2013). Political Communication Division. National Communication Association. Washington D.C.

Student Reviewer. (2013). Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered, Queer Division. Washington, D.C.

Student Reviewer. (2013) Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered, Queer Caucus. Washington, D.C.

Student Reviewer. (2013). Forensics and Public Address Division. Washington D.C.

Forensic:
Judge. (2014). Mid-america forensics league tournament. Ball State University, Muncie, IN

Judge. (2013). Age of aquarius tournament. Ball State University, Muncie, IN.

Judge. (2012). Jackrabbit joust. South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD.

Judge. (2012). Bunny bop. South Dakota State University. Brookings, SD.

Judge. (2011). Jackrabbit joust. South Dakota State University. Brookings, SD.

Judge. (2011). High school forensic tournament. Minnesota State University.

Coach. (2010). Saint Peter High School forensics team. Saint Peter, MN.

Coach. (2008). Saint Peter High School debate team. Saint Peter MN.

NOTABLE COURSEWORK

Graduate Degree
Instructional Methods with Dr. Joshua Westwick
Applied Communication Theory with Dr. Karla Hunter
Communication Research Methods with Dr. Laurie Haleta
Rhetorical Criticism with Dr. Rebecca Kuehl
Interpersonal Communication with Dr. Elizabeth Tolman
Introduction to Graduate Studies with Dr. Elizabeth Tolman
Rhetorical Citizenship with Dr. Rebecca Kuehl

Undergraduate Degree
Political Communication with Dr. Daniel Cronn-Mills
Communication Research with Dr. Kristen Cvancera
Introduction to Communication Studies with Dr. Daniel Cronn-Mills
Argumentation and Debate with Professor James Dimock
Gender and Communication with Dr. Leah White
Performance of Literature with Professor James Dimock
Senior Seminar with Dr. Daniel Cronn-Mills