

## **Education**

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### **University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**

Ph.D. in Communication

*Advisor: Dr. Charee Thompson*

August 2022 – present  
(Anticipated: May 2027)

### **University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee**

Master of Arts in Communication

*Thesis: Sex Talks Between LGBTQ+ Parents and Children*

*Advisor: Dr. Erin Sahlstein Parcell*

September 2020 – May 2022

### **University of Wisconsin-Green Bay**

Bachelor of Arts in Communication and English Literature

LGBTQ+ Studies Certificate

September 2016 – May 2020

## **Teaching Appointments**

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### **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

*University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Department of Communication*

Communication 101: Public Speaking (Fall 2022, Spring 2023)

August 2022 – present

### **Faculty Extender**

*University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Department of Communication*

Communication 595: Stigma in Healthcare (Fall 2022)

November 2022 – December 2022

### **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

*UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication*

Communication 105: Business and Professional Communication (Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022)

September 2020 – May 2022

## **Research Appointments**

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### **Research Assistant**

*University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Department of Communication*

- Assisting in developing needs assessments to understand patient and physician needs in the context of Black maternal health care
- Helping create, develop, and test cultural competency trainings to heal health care disparities

January 2023 – present

### **Research Assistant**

*UW-Milwaukee Voices of Gun Violence Project*

- Redesigned project's website
- Managed uploading new story transcripts, audios, and photos to website
- Transcribed and coded interviews
- Trained new team members

January 2021 – August 2022

## **Book Chapters**

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Sparrow, D. M., Sahlstein Parcell, E., **Gerlikovski, E. R.**, & Simpson, D. N. (2023). Microaggressions toward people with disabilities. In M. S. Jeffress, J. M. Cypher, J. Ferris, & J. A. Scott-Pollock (Eds.), *Palgrave handbook of disability and communication*. Palgrave. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-14447-9\\_5](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-14447-9_5)

## **Manuscripts Under Review and In Progress**

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Caughlin, J., & **Gerlikovski, E. R.** (Drafting). Conflict in family communication. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Communication*.

Cooke-Jackson, A., Rubinsky, V., Gunning, J. N., **Gerlikovski, E. R.**, Holman, A., Manning, J., Nieto, B. X., Noland, C., Spieldenner, A., De Los Santos Upton, S., & Zelaya, C. M. (Under Review). Developing the 'talk' in 'sex talk': The place of communication science in sexuality education and advocacy. *American Journal of Sexuality Education*.

**Gerlikovski, E. R.** & Sahlstein Parcell, E. (Drafting). Sex talks between LGBTQ+ parents and children.

Thompson, C. M., Babu, S., **Gerlikovski, E. R.**, McGuire, M., Makos, S., Ranallo, A., & Robieson, I. (Drafting). Living with long COVID: A longitudinal interview study of individuals' communicative resilience over the "long haul."

Thompson, C. M., Bishop, M. J., Dillard, T. C., Maurice, J. M., Rollins, D. D., Pulido, M. D., Salas, M., Mendelson, E. A., Yan, J., **Gerlikovski, E. R.**, Benevento, S. V., Zeintra, C., & Kesavadas, T. (Drafting). Healing health care disparities: Development and pilot testing of a virtual reality implicit bias training for physicians in the context of Black maternal health.

## **Conference Presentations**

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**Gerlikovski, E. R.** (2023, May). *Sex Talks Between LGBTQ+ Parents and Children*. Competitive paper to be presented at the 73<sup>rd</sup> International Communication Association Annual Conference, Interpersonal Communication Division, Toronto, CA.

Gunning, J., Rubinsky, V., Cooke-Jackson, A., Holman, A., De Los Santos Upton, S., Aragón, A., Shah, K., **Gerlikovski, E. R.**, & Venegas, M. (2022, November). *Developing the "talk" in "sex talk:" The place of communication science in family and childhood sexual education and advocacy*. Panel presentation at the 108th National Communication Association Annual Convention, Applied Communication Division, New Orleans, LA.

**Gerlikovski, E. R.**, & Sahlstein Parcell, E. (2021, November). *Sex talks: How queer fathers talk with young children about sexual anatomy and physiology*. Competitive paper presented at the 107th National Communication Association Annual Convention, Family Communication Division, Seattle, WA.

Sparrow, D., Sahlstein Parcell, E., **Gerlikovski, E. R.**, & Simpson, D. N. (2021, November). *Microaggressions toward people with disabilities*. Competitive paper presentation at the 107th meeting of the National Communication Association, Disability Issues Caucus, Seattle, WA.

## **Awards, Fellowships, and Scholarships**

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<b>President's Research in Diversity Travel Award (\$600)</b> <i>University of Illinois System President's Office</i>	April 2023
<b>List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent</b> <i>University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Center for Innovation in Teaching &amp; Learning</i>	January 2023
<b>Distinguished Graduate Student in the Humanities and Arts Fellowship (\$75,000)</b> <i>University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign</i>	March 2022
<b>Melvin Miller Award, MA Research</b> <i>UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication</i>	March 2022
<b>Melvin Miller Award for Top Communication GPA-MA</b> <i>UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication</i>	March 2022, 2021
<b>Department of Communication Research Grant (\$850)</b> <i>UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication</i>	February 2022
<b>John Paul Jones Memorial Trust Award</b> <i>UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication</i>	December 2021
<b>Department of Communication Research Grant (\$500)</b> <i>UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication</i>	March 2021
<b>Chancellor's Graduate Student Award (\$7,000)</b> <i>UW-Milwaukee</i>	September 2020
<b>Chancellor's Leadership Medallion Award</b> <i>UW-Green Bay</i>	May 2020

## **Service**

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<b>Paper Reviewer</b> <i>National Communication Association, GLBTQ Division</i>	April 2023
<b>Paper Reviewer</b> <i>National Communication Association, Health Communication Division</i>	April 2023
<b>MA Mentor</b> <i>UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication</i>	June 2021 – May 2022
<b>MA Mentorship Coordinator</b> <i>Communication Graduate Student Council UW-Milwaukee, Department of Communication</i>	October 2020 – May 2022

**Paper Reviewer***National Communication Association, Student Division*

April 2022

**Student Vice President***Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society  
UW-Green Bay*

January 2020 – May 2020

**Peer Mentor***First-Year Seminar Program  
UW-Green Bay*

September 2018 – December 2019

**Professional Experience**

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**Communication Intern***UW-Milwaukee Manfred Olsen Planetarium*

June 2021 – August 2021

- Assisted with communication and brainstorming sessions with departments on campus for 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Planetariums celebrations

**Social Media Specialist***UW-Green Bay Marketing and University Communication*

May 2020 – July 2020

- Managed and monitored 15 University social media accounts
- Created and scheduled daily social media content to increase engagement with internal and external audiences
- Participated in discussions on new branding for UW-Green Bay to improve its image
- Planned virtual events during COVID-19, including a live Instagram Q&A with the Chancellor

**Editorial Assistant***UW-Green Bay Marketing and University Communication*

September 2019 – May 2020

- Wrote press releases, announcements, and features for the campus blog and magazine
- Proofread, edited, researched, and fact-checked University communications
- Pitched featured stories and press releases to local news media
- Executed University's social media and communication strategies

**Student Manager***UW-Green Bay David A. Cofrin Library*

May 2018 – May 2020

- Trained and monitored the work of 13 student assistants and six student leads
- Assisted patrons with research and reference inquiries and finding library materials
- Supervised library operations when permanent staff were gone
- Proposed, led, and organized student lead and manager meetings to efficiently train and transition new student leads

**Completed Trainings**

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New TA Training, UW-Milwaukee

September 2020

Safe Ally Training, UW-Green Bay Pride Center

November 2019

**Professional Affiliations**

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Central States Communication Association, Student Member

International Communication Association, Student Member

National Communication Association, Student Member

Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, Student Member

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Student Member

Sigma Tau Delta Honor Society, Student Member