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CURRICULUM VITAE – UPDATED APRIL 2021

EDUCATION

- **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)** – Urbana, IL *Anticipated May 2023*
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
Communication; Advisor: Dr. Cara Finnegan
- **Syracuse University (SU)** – Syracuse, NY **June 2017**
Master of Arts (MA), Advanced Certificate in University Teaching (CUT)
Communication and Rhetorical Studies; Advisor: Dr. Rachel Hall
- **Pacific Lutheran University (PLU)**– Tacoma WA **May 2014**
Dual Degree: **Bachelor of Arts in Communication (BAC)**, **Bachelor of Arts (BA)**
Majors: Communication Studies and Political Science; Minor: Women and Gender Studies

PUBLICATIONS

- Axtman-Barker, Pam.** “A Picture of Structural Pain: Visualizations of the Housing Crisis.” *Visual Communication Quarterly*. In Press.
- Axtman-Barker, Pam.** “Book Review: ‘Painting Publics: Transnational Spaces for Encounter.’” *Quarterly Journal of Speech*. (2020).
- Barker, Pamela A.** “British parliamentary debate, polarization, and collaboration.” *Contemporary Argument and Debate* Vol 35 (2016): 52-72.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2020** **National Communication Association, National Conference (Indianapolis, IN)**
Panel Discussion: Visualizing a Pandemic: Through the Windows
Scholar to Scholar Session: Communicating Housing Rights: Space/Place in oral arguments of Jones v Mayer
- Rhetoric Society of America, National Conference (Portland, OR)**
Paper Presentation: A Sense of Home: Rhetorical constructions of home on real estate marketing blogs (Conference cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2019** **National Communication Association, National Conference (Baltimore, MD)**
Paper Presentation: Buying into the American Dream: Visual representations of homeownership and risk after the housing crisis

- 2017 **National Communication Association, National Conference (Dallas, TX)**
Economics, Communication and Society Pre-Conference Paper Presentation: Documenting Economic Hardship
Panel Presentation: Post-heroic Rhetoric
Making Sense of Election 2016, hosted by Texas A&M (Bryan, TX)
Panel Presentation: The Candidate Not on the Ballot: Obama in the 2016 Election
- 2016 **National Communication Association, National Conference (Philadelphia, PA)**
Panel Discussion: Modern Political Campaigning: Analyzing the effectiveness of New Campaign Methods with Millennial Voters
- 2014 **National Communication Association, National Conference (Chicago, IL)**
Panel Discussion: British Parliamentary Debate as a Forum for Scholarship
**Western States Communication Association:
Undergraduate Scholars Research Conference (Anaheim, CA)**
Paper Presentation: Politics and The American Story: Understanding Personal Narratives and the Power of the American Dream

WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

- 2021 **Rhetoric Society of America, Institute (Syracuse, NY – hosted online)**
Seminar: Ecological Feelings | Feeling Ecological: Dwelling in the Anthropocenic Moment
Seminar lead by Dr. Jenifer Clary-Lemon and Dr. Joshua Trey Barnett
Workshop: Precarity and Visual Praxis: Collectivity, Circulation, Legibility, and Form
Workshop lead by Dr. Leslie Hahner and Dr. Caitlin Bruce
- 2020 **Midwest Winter Workshop (Urbana, IL)**
Workshop facilitated by Dr. Allison Prasch and Dr. Rob Howard

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign- Dept of Communication** Fall 2018 - Spring 2021
Teaching Assistant
- Instructor of Record:
 - Argumentation (CMN 323) – Fall 2020
 - Visual Politics (CMN 340) - Summer 2019, 2020
 - Introduction to Oral and Written Communication (CMN 111) - Fall 2018, 2019
 - Introduction to Oral and Written Communication II (CMN 112) - Spring 2019, 2020
 - Peer Leader for CMN 111-112 (August 2019-May 2020)
 - Teaching Assistant:
 - Popular Culture and Media (CMN 375) – Spring 2021
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign- Engineers SPEAK Program** Fall 2019 - Summer 2020
- Lead Program Administrator

University of Rochester- University of Rochester Debate Union

July 2017-June 2018

Visiting Instructor

- Formats Coached:
 - British Parliamentary Debate (Novice and Varsity)

Syracuse University – Dept of Comm and Rhetorical Studies

August 2015-May 2017

Teaching Assistant

- Instructor of Record:
 - Presentational Speaking (CRS 325) - Fall 2015, Fall 2016
 - Oral Communication for Engineers (CRS 625) – Fall 2016
- Teaching Assistant:
 - Public Advocacy (CRS 225) - Spring 2016, Spring 2017

Carroll College – Talking Saints Forensics Team

July 2014-July 2015

Assistant Coach

- Formats Coached:
 - British Parliamentary Debate (Novice and Varsity)
 - Short Preparation Individual Events (Novice)

INVITED GUEST LECTURES

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| 2020 | Optimizing Technical Presentations
January 2020, Sloan University Center for Exemplary Mentoring, Annual Conference |
| 2017 | Changing Exigencies: How Tobacco Prevention Campaigns Have Transformed
Spring, 2017, CRS 225: Public Advocacy, Instructor: Lynn Greenky |
| 2016 | Public Advocacy in the Montana Tobacco Use Prevention Campaign, a Case Study
Spring, 2016, CRS 225: Public Advocacy, Instructor: Lynn Greenky |

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT

- **Communication GSA at UIUC**
President May 2020 – May 2021
Vice-President May 2019 – May 2020
- **Communication and Rhetorical Studies at SU**
Graduate Student Representative July 2016 – July 2017

UNIVERSITY SERVICE: COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Search Committee: Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ September 2020 – April 2021• Tenure and Promotion Committee, Graduate Representative
Syracuse University Department
Communication and Rhetorical Studies<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ July 2016 – July 2017 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communication and Rhetorical Studies Faculty Meetings, Grad Student Representative,
Syracuse University Department
Communication and Rhetorical Studies<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ July 2016 – July 2017• Search Committee: Vice-President of Student Life/ Dean of Students
Pacific Lutheran University<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ October 2013 – April 2014 |
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- **Student Advisory Board**
School of Arts and Communication
Pacific Lutheran University
 - September 2011 – May 2014
- **Enrollment and Student Life Committee**
University Board of Regents
Pacific Lutheran University
 - May 2013 – May 2014
- **Search Committee: Clinical Assistant Professor of Communication / Director of Forensics**
Pacific Lutheran University Department of Communication
 - October 2012 – March 2013

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Graduate College's Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in the Humanities and Arts (DGF-HA)
Awarded 2018; Utilized 2020-2023
- List of Excellent Teachers at the University
Fall 2018, 2019
Spring 2019, 2020
Summer 2020
- Dept of Communication Teaching Assistant Scholarship and Stipend
August 2018-May 2021

SYRACUSE UNIVERISTY AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- The Graduate School at Syracuse University:
Outstanding Teaching Assistant
March 2017
- CRS Outstanding TA Award
January 2017
- Departmental Support for Conference Attendance
January 2017
- Creative Opportunity Grant
October 2017, 2016
- Teaching Assistant Scholarship and Stipend
August 2015-May 2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **AmeriCorps VISTA- Volunteers in Service to America** (Helena, MT) July 2014 – July 2015
Youth Coordinator, Montana Tobacco Use Prevention Program