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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Communication Studies, Texas State University, Department of Communication Studies, 2023 – present

Assistant Professor of Rhetorical Studies, Florida Atlantic University, School of Communication & Multimedia Studies, 2019 – 2023

Assistant Teaching Professor of Communication Studies, Ball State University, Department of Communication Studies, 2018 – 2019

EDUCATION

PhD, Communication
University of Utah, 2018
Department of Communication

Graduate Certificate, Gender Studies
University of Utah, 2018
School of Social & Cultural Transformation

MA, Rhetoric
Carnegie Mellon University, 2014
Department of English

BA, Theatre & History
University of Iowa, 2013
Department of Theatre Arts; Department of History

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Books

1. Muller, S.M., Rooney, D. & Cerja, C. (Under Contract – full text submitted for peer review as of 5/31/25). *Soy Boy Beta Cuck: Primal Rhetoric and the Rise of Right Wing Carnivorism."* Oxford, MS: Mississippi University Press.

2. Muller, S. M. (2020). *Impersonating Animals: Rhetoric, Ecofeminism, and Animal Rights Law.* East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University Press.

Journal Articles

1. Muller, S.M. & Rooney, D. (accepted). Culture[d] Wars: Reciprocal permission structures in anti-meat legislation. *Technical Communication & Social Justice.*

2. Muller, S.M., Rooney, D. & McNeill, Z.Z (2025, online first). Blood, Soil & Tofu: Diagonalism and the Rhetorical Constitution of Far-Right Veganism. *Western Journal of Communication.*

3. Muller, S.M., Rooney, D. & Cerja, C. (2024) Long live the Liver King: Carnivore diets and the digital dissemination of Primal Rhetoric. *Frontiers in Communication, 9,* 1338653.

4. Muller, S.M. (2024) Fantastical Speeches: Composing fanfiction to model protest communication. *Communication Teacher*, *38*(3), 229-234.

5. Rooney, D. & Muller, S. M. (2023) Woke sausages at the Cracker Barrel: Gastronativism and the synecdochic politics of plant-based meat, *Rhetoric & Public Affairs 26*(3), 1-34.

6. Muller, S.M. (2023) Dairy pride: Hypocognitive rhetoric and the battle for dairy's name. *Environmental Communication*. *17*(8), 975-990.

7. Muller, S. M. (2022). Monkey business in a kangaroo court: Reimagining *Naruto v. Slater* as a litigious event. *Rhetoric and Public Affairs*, *25*(1), 35-63.

8. Muller, S.M. and McNeill, Z.Z. (2021) Toppling the Temple of Grandin: Autistic-animal analogies and the ableist-speciesist nexus. *Rhetoric, Politics, and Culture, 1*(2), 205-236.

9. Muller, S. M. (2021) Carnistic colonialism: A rhetorical dissection of bushmeat in the 2014 Ebola outbreak. *Frontiers in Communication*, *6,* 656431.

10. Muller, S. M. (2021). Archival mocking as feminist praxis: A rhetorical repurposing of "A Vindication of the Rights of Brutes". *Women's Studies in Communication, 44*(1), 23-43.

11. Muller, S. M. (2021) Companion cyborgs: Untethering discourses about wolf hybrids. *Environmental Communication, 15*(1), 99-114.

12. Hasian, M. A. & Muller, S. M. (2019)**.** Decolonizing conservationist hero narratives: A critical genealogy of William T. Hornaday and colonial conservation rhetorics. *Atlantic Journal of Communication 27*(4), 284-296.

13. Muller, S. M. (2018). Zombification, social death, and the slaughterhouse: US industrial practices of livestock slaughter. *American Studies, 57*(3), 81-101.

14. Muller, S. M. **(**2017). For the good of the species: Gary Francione and the omnipresence of eugenics in animal rights rhetoric. *Communication Studies, 65*(5), 588-606.

15. Muller, S. M. (2017). Elephant tracings: A critical animal / postcolonial genealogy of the Royal Museum for Central Africa. *Journal for Critical Animal Studies, 14*(2), 5-41.

16. Hasian, M. A., Maldonado, J. A., & Muller, S. M. (2017). Democratic dissent and the politics of rescue during the 21st century EU migration "crisis." *Javnost - The Public: Journal of the European Institute for Communication and Culture, 24*, 251-266.

17. Hasian, M. A. & Muller, S. M. (2016). Post-conflict peace initiatives, British Mau Mau compensation, and the mastering of colonial pasts. *Journal of Multicultural Discourses, 11*(2), 164-180.

Prefaces & Book Chapters

1. Muller, S. M. (2024) Violence begets violence: Cross-species animalization in the slaughterhouse. In Z.Z. McNeill (Ed.), *Building multispecies resistance against exploitation.* Peter Lang.

2. Muller, S.M. (2022) Preface. In A. Nocella and R. White (Eds.), *Critical animal studies and activism: International perspectives on total liberation and intersectionality.* Peter Lang.

3. Muller, S. M. (2022). Got autism? PETA and the rhetoric of eco-ableism. In A. Nocella II and A. George (Eds.), *Vegans on speciesism and ableism: Ecoability voices for disability and animal justice.* Peter Lang.

4. Muller, S. M. (2021). Personal affairs: Litigating nonhuman animal personhood in the Anthropocene. In A. Dale and V. Fletcher (Eds.), *Intimate relations: Communicating (in) the Anthropocene.* Lexington Press.

5. Hasian, M. A. & Muller, S. M. (2018). Competing genocidal memoryscapes and the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum's selective colonial remembrances. In R. Aden (Ed.), *The soul of the Nation: U.S. public memory and the National Mall.* Lexington Press.

6. Hasian, M. A. & Muller, S. M. (2018). Triumphal whiteness and the coloring of terror in 21st century counter-terrorist rhetorics. In T.K. Nakayama, D. McIntosh, & D. Moon, (Eds.), *Whiteness: The communication of social identity*. Sage Press.

7. Hasian, M. A, & Muller, S. M. (2018). Containing the power of child migrant imagery, the domestication of Aylan Kurdi's public memories, and the securitization of the EU's migrant "crisis." In R. J. Tomas, & M. Grace, (Eds.), *Seen but not heard: Interdisciplinary perspectives on child migrants.* Lexington Press.

PUBLIC-FACING WRITING

Environmental Writing

1. Muller, S. M. (2024, April 25) "More-than-human remains: Reckoning with ivory in (post)colonial museums," *Environmental History Now!* [guest post for an academic blog on environmental history.] https://envhistnow.com/2024/04/25/more-than-human-remains-reckoning-with-ivory-in-postcolonial-museums/

2. Muller, S. M. (2021). Living material: European and human supremacy in ivory exhibitions. In *Terrible beauty: Elephant – human – ivory* (pp. 178-186). Hirmer Publishers. [catalogue essay for a special exhibit on ivory at the Humboldt Forum, Berlin, Germany.] https://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/distributed/T/bo120141762.html

Op-Eds & News Writing

1. Muller, S. M. & Rooney, D. (2024, May 16). "Plant-Based Meat Alternatives are Trying to Exit the Culture Wars – an Impossible Task?" *The Conversation.* https://theconversation.com/plant-based-meat-alternatives-are-trying-to-exit-the-culture-wars-an-impossible-task-229684

Translational Science Writing

1. Muller, S. M. (2024, November 6). Risk aversion in wild animal welfare. *Faunalytics.* https://faunalytics.org/risk-aversion-in-wild-animal-welfare/

2. Muller, S. M. (2024, October 11). "Is funding from industrial agriculture sabotaging U.S. banks' climate commitments?" *Faunalytics.* https://faunalytics.org/is-funding-from-industrial-agriculture-sabotaging-u-s-banks-climate-commitments/

3. Muller, S.M. (2024, July 12). “White space opportunities in the Next-Gen materials industry.” *Faunalytics.* https://faunalytics.org/white-space-opportunities-in-the-next-gen-materials-industry/

4. Muller, S.M. (2024, May 31). “Does the UK need stronger farm animal protection laws?” *Faunalytics.* https://faunalytics.org/does-the-u-k-need-stronger-farmed-animal-protection-laws/

5. Muller, S.M. (2024, May 8). “Consumer beliefs about food supply and the environment.” *Faunalytics*. https://faunalytics.org/consumer-beliefs-about-food-supply-and-the-environment/

6. Muller, S.M. (2024, April 26). “Animal research and the macaque trade.” *Faunalytics.* https://faunalytics.org/animal-research-and-the-macaque-trade/

7. Muller, S.M. (2024, April 23). “Changing men’s perception of veganism through framing.” *Faunalytics. https://faunalytics.org/changing-mens-perceptions-of-veganism-through-framing*

8. Muller, S. M. (2024, March 21). “Achieving global environmental goals through plant-based food.” *Faunalytics.* https://faunalytics.org/achieving-global-environmental-goals-through-plant-based-food/

9. Muller, S. M. (2024, February 27). “Insights from the soft-shell crab industry.” *Faunalytics.* https://faunalytics.org/insights-from-the-soft-shell-crab-industry/.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

In Preparation

1. Muller, S.M., Parks, M.M. & Thomas, M.O. More-than-human communication in the basic course: An educational, ethical & existential imperature. *[Target: Feminist Pedagogy]*

2. Muller, S. M., Carr, W. & Sjule, Neva. Legal synecdoche and carcerality-by-proxy: A rhetorical dissection of Breed-Specific Legislation in Denver, Colorado. *[Target: Rhetoric & Public Affairs]*

3. Muller, S. M. You can’t sue an imaginary cow: Relitigating *Devin Nunes v. Twitter* as digital carnivalesque. *[Target: Communication & Democracy]*

COURSES TAUGHT

Texas State University

1. COMM 5340E: Science, Health & Environmental Rhetoric
   Course Size: 10-15
   Modality: In-Person

2. COMM 5315: Directed Studies in Communication – Critical Intercultural Communication
   Course Size: 1
   Modality: In-Person

3. COMM 5315: Directed Studies in Communication – Conspiracy Rhetoric
   Course Size: 1
   Modality: In-Person

4. COMM 5302: Rhetorical Methods
   Course Size: 10-15
   Modality: In-Person

5. COMM 4346: Environmental Communication & Sustainability
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: In-Person

6. COMM 3329: Intercultural Communication*
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: Asynchronous Online
   ***Winner: 2024 Award for Online Teaching Excellence, Texas State University Division of Online & Extended Learning**

Florida Atlantic University

1. COM 6931: Special Topics in Rhetoric: Science, Health & Environmental Rhetoric
   Course Size: 10-15
   Modality: In-Person

2. COM 6400: Introduction to Graduate Studies in Communication
   Course Size: 10-15
   Modality: In-Person

3. COM 4970: Senior Honors Thesis in Communication
   Course Size: 1-5
   Modality: Asynchronous Online

4. SPC 4920: Communication & Social Change
   Course Size: 10-15
   Modality: Hybrid

5. SPC 4273: Rhetorical Analysis of Democracy
   Course Size: 30-35
   Modality: In-Person

6. SPC 4232: Studies in Rhetoric: Environmental Rhetoric
   Course Size: 30-35
   Modality: In-Person

7. SPC 3542: Rhetorical Theories: Persuasion
   Course Size: 35-50
   Modality: In-Person; Asynchronous Online*
   *Developed in tandem with the Center for Online & Continuing Education

8. SPC 3235: Contemporary Rhetorical Theory
   Course Size: 35
   Modality: In-Person; Asynchronous Online

9. COM 2053: Introduction to Communication & Civic Life
   Course Size: 125-200
   Modality: Asynchronous Online*
   *Developed in tandem with the Center for Online & Continuing Education

Ball State University

1. COMM 404: Political Communication
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: In-Person

2. COMM 320: Persuasion
   Course Size: 50-100
   Modality: In-Person; Asynchronous Online

3. COMM 310: Communication and Democracy
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: In-Person

University of Utah

1. COMM 3460: Rhetorical Criticism
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: Asynchronous Online

2. COMM 3190: Intercultural Communication
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: In-Person

3. COMM 3070: Communication and Gender
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: Hybrid

4. COMM 3030: Communication and Social Responsibility
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: In-Person

5. COMM 1270: Analysis of Argument
   Course Size: 25-30
   Modality: Asynchronous Online

6. COMM 1020: Principles of Public Speaking
   Course Size: 20
   Modality: In-Person

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Competitive Papers

1. Legal Synecdoche & Carcerality-By-Proxy: BSL in Denver, CO (with Wil Carr). Rhetoric Society of America. Denver, CO: 2024.

2. "Woke Sausages:" Reading the Gastronativist Backlash to Cracker Barrel's Plant-based Change (with David Rooney). International Environmental Communication Association. Harrisonburg, VA: 2023. ***Top Paper Overall: COCE Conference 2023**

3. Toppling the temple of Grandin: Autistic-Animal Analogies and the Ableist-Speciesist nexus. Western States Communication Association, Communication, Identities & Difference Division, Portland, OR, 2022.

4. Objecting to Food-as-Object: Integrating Speciesism into Studies and Practices of Food Justice. Western States Communication Association, Rhetoric and Public Address Division, Seattle, WA, 2019.

5. Archival Irony and Ecofeminist Praxis: A Mocking Reclamation of *A Vindication for the Rights of Brutes*. Western States Communication Association, Organization for Research on Women and Communication (ORWAC) Division, Seattle, WA, 2019.

6. Animal Rhetorics: A Disciplinary Review. National Communication Association, Rhetoric and Communication Theory Division, Salt Lake City, UT, 2018.

7. Banning Bushmeat: Colonial Carnism and the 2014-15 Ebola Crisis. National Communication Association, Environmental Communication Division, Salt Lake City, UT, 2018.

8. Lupine Cyborgs: Untethering Discourses about Wolf Hybrids. Western States Communication Association, Environmental Communication Division, Santa Clara, CA, 2018. ***Top Student Paper: Environmental Communication Division**

9. All Animals Are Equal (But Some Are More Equal than Others): Speciesist Personhoods in the Nonhuman Rights Project. Western States Communication Association, Rhetoric and Public Address Division, Santa Clara, CA, 2018.

10. Where the Buffalo Roam(ed): Frontier Yearnings and the "Last Big Buffalo Hunt" of 1926 National Communication Association, Environmental Communication Division, Dallas, TX, 2017. ***Top Student Paper & Top Paper Overall: Environmental Communication Division**

11. The Repatriation of Human Remains and The Role that Postcolonial Rhetorics Have Played in Contemporary Human Rights Contexts (Co-author with Marouf Hasian). National Communication Association, Public Address Division, Dallas, TX, 2017.

12. Animal Care or Animal Rights? A Pilot Study of Volunteers' Self Perceptions at Best Friends Animal Society –Salt Lake City. Western States Communication Association, Language and Social Interaction Division, Salt Lake City, UT, 2017.

13. The Animals That Therefore They Are? Defining the "Animal" in Discourses of "Animal Rights." Western States Communication Association, Environmental Communication Division, Salt Lake City, UT, 2017.

14. Pit Bull Peril: Citizen Journalism and the Amplification of a Moral Panic(s) on Dogsbite.org. National Communication Association, Mass Communication Division, Philadelphia, PA, 2017.

15. Palin, Politics, and Paradoxes: Representations of Political Inauthenticity in Sarah Palin's 2008 Vice Presidential Campaign. Western States Communication Association, Rhetoric and Public Address Division, San Diego, CA, 2016. ***Debut Paper Award: Rhetoric & Public Address Interest Group & WSCA Executives Club**

16. Deviant Dogs: Race, Deviance, and the Rhetorical Construction of Pit Bulls. Western States Communication Association, Intercultural Communication Division, San Diego, CA, 2016.

17. Truth Stranger Than Fiction: Negotiating Authority and Peer Identity in Difficult Tutoring Situations (An interactive workshop hosted by the University of Iowa Writing Fellows), National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing, Chicago, IL, 2011.

Competitive Panels

1. An inconvenient truth: The growing rhetorical salience of far-right environmentalisms (with Cecilia Cerja, David Rooney, et al). National Communication Association. Environmental Communication Division. New Orleans, LA: 2024.

2. Critical/Cultural methods in the basic course (with Melissa Parks, et al.). National Communication Association. Critical/Cultural Studies Division. New Orleans, LA:2024.

3. Evolving projects in environmental communication (with David Rooney et al.). National Communication Association. Environmental Communication Division. New Orleans, LA: 2024.

4. Possibilities for transformation in environmental communication pedagogy (with Richard Rogers, Constance Gordon & Ashleigh Day). Western States Communication Association. Reno, NV: 2024.

5. Animal Voices, Animal Planet: Accounting for Past Violence and Narrating a Humane Future (with Carrie Packwood Freeman, Emily Plec, Lee Crocker, Julie Doyle, Silje Kristiansen, Debra Merskin, Alex Parrish, Norie Singer, and Joanna Marras Tate). International Environmental Communication Association. Harrisonburg, VA: 2023.

6. Ecotones Podcast, Episode 1 – Aldo Leopold's Rhetorical Legacy (with Mariko Thomas, Casey Schmitt, and Joshua Barnett). Western States Communication Association, Environmental Communication Division, Denver, CO 2020.

7. Pursuing Fulbright Grants (with Samantha Senda-Cook, Dalton Brown, Roseann Mandziuk, David Oh, Kim Omachinski, Kimberly Osborne, and John Parrish-Sprowl). National Communication Association, International and Intercultural Communication Division, Baltimore, MD, 2019.

8. Roundtable on *The Soul of a Nation: U.S. Memory and the National Public Mall* (with Michael Vicaro, Carl Hyden, John McArthur, Katie Langford, Raymond Blanton, Casey Schmitt, Ted Sheckels, Teresa Bergman, and Marouf Hasian). National Communication Association, Visual Communication Division, Dallas, TX, 2017.

9. Creatures in the Classroom: Including Internatural Communication in Our Classrooms (with Susan Hafen, Nathalie Crocker, Terrell Jake Dionne, Laura Catherine Farrell, Ashleigh Day, Katie Lind, and Jeremy Gordon), National Communication Association, Instructional Development Division, Philadelphia, PA, 2016.

Preconference Events

1. Where the Deer and the Antelope (and the People) Play: Tensions between Recreation and Conservation at Antelope Island State Park. Invited by chair Casey Schmitt and co-chairs Maria Blevins, Danielle Endres, Nick Paliewicz, Meaghan McKasy, and Melissa Parks). National Communication Association, Preconference Division, Salt Lake City, UT, 2018.
   ****Role: *Invited lecturer* (in relation to my 2017 top paper award in NCA's Environmental Communication Division that initially inspired this preconference activity)***

INVITED APPEARANCES

Symposia

1. Monsters, Meat, and Masculinity: Primal Rhetoric and Identity Politics in Right-Wing Carnivorism. (with David Rooney & Cecilia Cerja). For the *Monsters, Heroes, and Others: Unpacking Power in Media and Politics through Race or Species* symposium. Georgia Tech University. Atlanta, Georgia. 3/1/25.

Guest Lectures & Continuing Education Seminars

2. Treated Like Animals: Unpacking Human and Nonhuman Animal Abuse in the Slaughterhouse, for *Our Honor* Veterinary Group's Continuing Education Series, 4/12/24.

3. Building Multispecies Resistance Against Exploitation, with Zane McNeill et al., for the National Lawyers' Guild, 4/11/24.

4. Avoiding Raced, Racist & Ethnocentric Language During Zoonotic Disease Outbreaks, for *Our Honor* Veterinary Group's Continuing Education Series, 11/3/23.

5. Rhetorical Methods in Communication Studies, with Dr. Joshua Miller, for Dr. Jasmine Austin's graduate seminar in Communication Studies, 10/30/23.

6. Study Methods for Graduate Education in Communication Studies, for Dr. Jasmine Austin's graduate seminar in Communication Studies, 9/11/23.

7. Crafting the Litigious Event: *Naruto v. Slater* and the Public Screening of Animal Personhood, for ANIWERE (Animals under a Welfarist Regime) Research Group, University of Helsinki, Finland, 9/28/2022.

8. It's Nothing Personal: On Species, Language, and Power in a More-than-Human World, for Dr. Nicole Morse's graduate seminar in Gender and Language, Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Florida Atlantic University, 2/1/22.

9. Perspectives on Rosi Braidotti's "The Posthuman," with Dr. Natasha Seegert, for Dr. Kent Ono's graduate seminar in Cultural Studies, 2/1/17.

Radio Shows & Podcasts

1. Claudia Hirtenfelder, "Species & Supremacy," *The Animal Turn* (podcast), February 19, 2025. (Publication Forthcoming, Season 8: https://www.theanimalturnpodcast.com/)

2. Colin McEnroe, Interview: Plant Based Meat & the Culture Wars, *Colin McEnroe Show* (radio), June 6, 2024, Connecticut Public Radio. https://www.ctpublic.org/show/the-colin-mcenroe-show/2024-06-06/the-latest-culture-war-is-a-beef-over-meatless-meat

3. Michael Horswell, "The rhetorical politics of personhood," *In Conversation* (podcast), January 14, 2022, FAU College of Arts & Letters. https://www.buzzsprout.com/471520/9865274-the-rhetorical-politics-of-personhood-with-marek-muller-ph-d

4. Carrie Packwood Freeman, "An ecofeminist take on interspecies justice," *In Tune to Nature* (podcast), Episode 34, September 22, 2021, WFRG 89.3 FM Atlanta. https://cpfreeman.podbean.com/e/an-ecofeminist-take-on-interspecies-justice-and-animal-law-with-rhetoric-scholar-dr-marek-muller/

Interviews / Q&A's

1. Marc Bekoff, *Psychology Today,* "Impersonating Animals: Speciesism, Rhetoric, and Ecofeminism" at https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/animal-emotions/202010/impersonating-animals-speciesism-rhetoric-and-ecofeminism

2. SARX, "Impersonating Animals: S. Marek Muller" at https://sarx.org.uk/articles/books-and-literature/impersonating-animals-s-marek-muller/

SERVICE

Service the Profession (Editorial)

1. Editorial Board, Western Journal of Communication, 2024-26

2. Editorial Board, Frontiers in Communication, 2023-present

3. Ad-Hoc Journal Reviewer
   ~Animal Studies
   ~Environmental Communication
   ~Journal of Agricultural & Environmental Ethics
   ~ Quarterly Journal of Speech
   ~Society & Animals

Service to the Profession (Organizational)

1. Conference Panel Respondent, NCA Environmental Communication Division, 2024.

2. Conference Paper Reviewer, NCA, 2017-present
   ~ Environmental Communication Division
   ~ Critical/Cultural Studies Division
   ~ Communication & Law Division

3. Chair/Program Planner, Environmental Communication Division, WSCA, 2020-2022.

4. Conference Panel Respondent, WSCA Environmental Communication Division, 2022

5. Conference Paper Reviewer, WSCA, 2017-2022
   ~ Environmental Communication Division
   ~ Rhetoric & Public Address Division
   ~ Undergraduate Scholars Research Conference

6. Nominating Committee Member, WSCA, 2020-2022.

7. Conference Panel Chair, WSCA Environmental Communication Division, 2018-2021

8. Vice Chair/Chair-Elect, Environmental Communication Division, WSCA, 2019-2020.

9. Conference Panel Chair, NCA Environmental Communication Division, 2018-2020

10. Secretary, Environmental Communication Division, WSCA, 2017-2019.

11. Conference Awards Committee, NCA Environmental Communication Division, Baltimore, MD, 2019.

Service to Texas State University (2023-present)

1. Faculty Advisor, Lamba Pi Eta (2024-present)

2. B.S. in Communication Committee (2024-present)

3. Faculty Search Committee, 2 positions in Rhetoric (2024)

4. Graduate Program Admissions Committee (2023-present)
5. Science Communication Minor Committee (2023-present)
6. Research Enhancement Grant Committee [Alternate] (2023)

Service to the Florida Atlantic University (2019-2023)

1. Executive Committee for Women's Gender & Sexuality Studies, 2022-2023
2. Academic Misconduct Committee, 2022-2023
3. Instructor of Record for Barb Schmidt Fellowship, 2020
4. Presenter, Annual Faculty Showcase, 2021
5. Graduate Program Coordinator for SCMS, Fall 2022
6. Director of Honors for SCMS, 2021-2023
7. Faculty Search Committee, position in Organizational Communication, 2021-2022
8. Faculty Search Committee, position in Multimedia Journalism, 2019-2020
9. Online Teaching Committee for SCMS, 2021-2022
10. Personnel Committee for SCMS, 2020-2021

Service to Ball State University (2018-19)

1. Faculty Adviser, Ball State University Wrestling Community (student club), 2018-19
2. Reader/Committee Member, Undergraduate Honors Designation in Writing, 2018-2019
3. Respondent, Communication Undergraduate Research Conference, 2018

Service to the Community & Public Activism

1. Secretary & Founding Board Member, Fur-Ever Friends of the Hays County Pet Resource Center (2024-present)
2. Research Library Writer, Faunalytics (2023-present)
3. Continuing Education Lecturer, Our Honor (2023-present)

4. Volunteer & Dog Team Lead, Best Friends Animal Society (2015-2018)

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

Federal

1. 2014-15: Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (placed at the Institute of Engineering and Technology in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia), Fulbright U.S. Student Program. ($14,000)

Private

1. 2022-2023: Brooks Scholars' Fellowship, Brooks Institute of Animal Law & Policy ($16,100)

Professional

1. 2024: Christine E. Oravec Award (top article in environmental communication), NCA Environmental Communication Division
2. 2023: Top Paper Overall, IECA Conference
3. 2020: Annual Fellow, Institute for Critical Animal Studies
4. 2018: Top Student Paper: WSCA Environmental Communication Division
5. 2017: Top Student Paper, NCA Environmental Communication Division
6. 2017: Top Paper Overall, NCA Environmental Communication Division
7. 2016: Debut Paper Award, WSCA Executives Club
8. 2016: Debut Paper Award, WSCA Rhetoric and Public Address Division

Institutional

1. 2024: Online Teaching Excellence Runner-Up Award, Division of Online & Extended Learning, Texas State University
2. 2021: Honoree, 2021 Faculty Showcase, Dorothy L. Schmidt College of Arts & Letters, Florida Atlantic University

3. 2021: Faculty Research Award, School of Communication & Multimedia Studies, Florida Atlantic University

4. 2018: Graduate Student Publishing Award, Department of Communication, University of Utah

5. 2017: Marouf Hasian, Jr. Excellence in Research Award**,** Department of Communication, University of Utah

6. 2017: Graduate Student Publishing Award, Department of Communication, University of Utah

7. 2015-18: Graduate Teaching Fellowship, Department of Communication, University of Utah

8. 2015-18: Recruitment Fellowship, Department of Communication, University of Utah

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & CONTINUING EDUCATION

1. Teaching with AI, TXST Dept. of Communication Studies, seminar hosted by Dr.'s Tricia Burke & Stephanie Dailey. December 2024.

2. RSA Research Network Series (research works-in-progress workshop), Rhetoric Society of America, Denver, CO. May 2024.

3. Scholarship & Teaching Excellent Program (STEP), Texas State University, 5-month workshop series for new tenure-track TXST faculty to enhance teaching, research, and service. August 2023 – March 2024.

4. Best Practices in Online Teaching, TXST Dept. of Communication Studies, seminar hosted by Dr. Tricia Burke. December 2023.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

1. Institute for Critical Animal Studies
2. International Association of Vegan Sociologists
3. International Environmental Communication Association
4. National Communication Association
5. Rhetoric Society of America
6. Western States Communication Association