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EDUCATION

Texas State University	MFA Creative Writing	May, 2023
Stephen F. Austin State University	BFA in Creative Writing,	May, 2019

WORK EXPERIENCE

2023-Present **Asst. Professor of Instruction**, Texas State University English Dept.
- FTE Schedule
- Teach Sophomore Lit surveys
- Teach Creative Writing workshops
- Teach a variety of ENG 1310 and 1320 sections
- Create, teach, and grade a variety of assignments for students
- Assist on special projects for the department

2022-2023 **Instructional Asst. for Sophomore Literature**, Texas State University English Dept.
- Guest lectured for a World Literature class of 390 students.
- Held individual office hours for college students in sophomore literature courses.
- Responsible for grading exams and essays of up to 135 students.
- Assisted in writing quizzes and exam questions.

2022-Present **Improv Theatre Teacher**, The Hideout Theatre
- Taught groups of five through eight-year-olds, nine through twelve-year-olds, thirteen through seventeen-year-olds, and adult classes.
- Fostered group work and collaboration between new groups of people.
- Developed and implemented curriculum for our high school topics class.
- Directed student showcases.

2020-2022 **Success Coach**, Texas State University PACE Dept.
- Consulted with a diverse group of first-year students and students on academic probation on how to achieve their academic goals.
- Participated on hiring committees.
- Partnered with University Seminar resiliency classes to cultivate student success and lead classes on time management, SMART goals, etc.
- Led presentations on study skills and financial strategies during classes and orientation events.
- Documented contacts with students in Student Access.
- Input student grades and created assignments for University Seminar instructors.

2020-2022 **Private Reading Tutor**, Self Employed
- Developed personalized instructional materials for phonics and fluency skills.
- Provided one-on-one tutoring for emerging readers.

2019-2020 **Literacy First English Tutor**, AmeriCorps Literacy First, University of Texas at Austin
- Tutored K-2 students at a Title I school.
- Created lesson plans.
- Managed weekly student test data entry.
- Created content for phonics and fluency tutoring.
- Content editor.

2015 - Present **Special Needs Caregiver**, Alamo Consumer Direct
- Assisted with personal care needs for an adult with special needs.

RECOGNITIONS

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude, Stephen F. Austin State University, Spring 2019
- First Place in Undergraduate Fiction Category, The Piney Dark Horror Contest, Fall 2018
- T.E. Ferguson Award in Creative Writing, Stephen F. Austin State University School of Liberal Arts, Spring 2018
- Academic Excellence Scholarship, Stephen F. Austin State University, 2015 - 2019

PUBLICATIONS and COMMISIONED WORK

- "Lovers: B-Roll".....*Panoramic Voices, 2025*
- "Grackle in a Gravel Parking Lot. 10:17 a.m.".....*Panoramic Voices, 2024*
- 2020 Clark Prize Finalist Spotlight: Yiyun Li……....*Porter House Review*, 2021
- "Adam In Suburbabtory"…….....….....*Humid Undergraduate Journal*, 2019
- "The Water Bill"……..*The Piney Dark*, Fall 2018
- Summer Reading Recommendations..... *Her Campus*, May 2018
- A Compilation of Quotes from Strong Women..... *Her Campus*, May 2018
- New Student Theatre at SFA..... *Her Campus*, April 2018
- Women and Flowers..... *Her Campus*, April 2018
- How to Make Yourself Love Yourself..... *Her Campus*, April 2018
- Things to do with Leftover Easter Candy..... *Her Campus*, April 2018
- Life Lessons I've Learned Since Joining Improv..... *Her Campus*, March 2018
- Easy One-Pot Ramen..... *Her Campus*, March 2018
- The ABC's of Womanhood..... *Her Campus*, March 2018
- We Need to Talk About Mass Shootings..... *Her Campus*, February 2018
- Bad Ass Black Women in History..... *Her Campus*, February 2018
- 5 Things that Help my Mental Health..... *Her Campus*, February 2018
- *When the Bridge Burned*……..…….. *Humid Undergraduate Journal*, 2017
- "Thoughts After Leaving Your Apartment"...*Humid Undergraduate Journal*, 2017
- "Homecoming at a Motel Six"……*Sky Island Journal*, 2017

STAGED READINGS

- *Letters to Moscow*..... SFA's New Play Development Showcase, 2019
- *The American Workplace*.....SFA's New Play Development Showcase, 2018
- *Winter Runaways*.....SFA's 24-Hour Play Festival, 2017

PODCAST APPEARANCES

- "Neighborhood Talkback".....*Our Terrific Neighbors with Your Terrific Neighbors*, 2024
- "Friday the 13th".....*Cinemarcade, 2024*

TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

- Improvising Narratives Intensive with Stephen Kearin, 2024
- Q and A with John Hoffman, showrunner of *Only Murders in the Building*, 2022
- Life After AmeriCorps Conference, 2020
- Genre Work Intensive, The Hideout Theatre, 2019
- New Play Development Workshop with Jack Heifner, 2019
- Non-Fiction Intensive with Ann Hood, 2018
- New Play Development Workshop with Jack Heifner, 2018

SPECIAL SKILLS

- Experienced content developer
- Proficient content editor
- Efficient student data entry
- Engaging public speaker
- Collaborative leader
- Conversational German speaker
- Strong relationship-building with a diverse range of students
- Level-headed in high-pressure situations
- Compassionate and effective special needs caregiver
- Knowledge of Canvas system

REFERENCES

Edward A Schaefer, Senior Lecturer at Texas State University
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