Sarah Koubek

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I. ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

A. Educational Background

Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing
Texas State University, Expected May 2027
Cumulative GPA: 4.00/4.00

Bachelor of Arts in Creative Writing and Economics
Northwestern University, June 2020
Cumulative GPA: 3.88/4.00
Honors: *Cum Laude*, Phi Beta Kappa Academic Honor Society member

B. Relevant Professional Experience

- **Marketing Assistant**
  - Learning Link Inc., 2024-Present
    - Assist with launch of independent publishing company specializing in bilingual children's books through creating social media sites, contacting local retailers for consignment, editing books, and researching other marketing opportunities for company to pursue
    - Design, develop, and maintain company website using Shopify, Canva, and custom CSS
- **Product Analyst**
  - British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), 2023-2024
    - Managed engagement analytics of short form video and live article pages for BBC News and Sports apps as a subject matter expert
    - Designed, built, and published educational dashboards tracking key business metrics
    - Created impactful stories around raw data, presenting general themes and takeaways from analytics to stakeholders through presentations and written recommendations

II. TEACHING

A. Courses Taught:

- Graduate Teaching Assistant

    - English 1310 College Writing, Texas State University, 2025
        - Design syllabus and course calendar for two introductory level English courses, select necessary readings
        - Lecture, facilitate discussion, and aid students in learning key writing concepts for three essays throughout semester
- Graduate Instructional Assistant
    - American Literature Post Civil War, Texas State University, 2025
        - Aided undergraduate English course professor through grading papers, hosting office hours, and monitoring online discussion posts
        - Guest lectured to over 200 students on Endowed Chair Layli Long Soldier's use of form as resistance in poetry
    - British Literature before 1785, Texas State University, 2024
        - Aided undergraduate English course professor through grading papers, hosting office hours, and monitoring online discussion posts
        - Utilized online instructional websites and tools to facilitate asynchronous learning

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE (including works accepted, forthcoming, in print)

A. Works in Print

1. Interviews
- "Interview with Danez Smith," *Porter House Review* (forthcoming Fall 2025)
- "Interview with Cecily Parks," *Porter House Review* (forthcoming Fall 2025)

2. Flash Fiction
- "Thoughts on an Open Casket," *Flash Fiction Magazine* (2022)

B. Works not in Print

1. Workshops Facilitated
- "From Prose to Prose Poem," *Cricklewood Library Writing Group* (2024)

C. Scholarly/Creative Fellowships, Awards, Honors
- Top 5% of Submissions, *Palette Poetry*, 2025
- Graduate Merit Fellowship, Texas State University, 2024
- William F. McKeen III Memorial Scholarship, Texas State University, 2024
- Bob Hamlet Memorial Scholarship, Grand Island Senior High School 2016-2020

IV. SERVICE

A. Institutional

- **Volunteer**
    - Therese Kayser Lindsey Literary Series Committee, Texas State University (2024)
        - Assisted with reading series events including conducting campus tours for visiting writers
        - Researched and provided suggestions of potential visiting writers and academics for campus readings