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EDUCATION

Colorado State University Fort Collins, CO
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Communication Studies 2023-2027
Concentration: Rhetoric and Civic Engagement GPA: 4.0
Advisor: Dr. Tom Dunn

Ball State University Muncie, IN
Master of Arts (M.A.) Communication Studies 2021-2023
Concentration: Communication Liberal Arts & Science GPA: 4.0
Thesis Title: *Remembering Our Friends: A Transfeminist Analysis of Online Trans* Memorials*
Advisor: Dr. Beth Messner

Ball State University Muncie, IN
Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Summa Cum Laude 2018-2021
Major: Communication Studies GPA: 3.9

RESEARCH FOCI

- trans rhetorics, queer resistance, queer memory, queer representation, memorialization

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Colorado State University **Fall 2023-Present**

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Dedicating 20 hours per week of service, I serve as the instructor of record for two sections of Public Speaking (SPCM 200), while also attending professional development seminars as part of my Graduate Teaching assistantship.

Ball State University **Fall 2021-Spring 2023**

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2021-Spring 2023

Serving both student and faculty needs, I worked a total of 20 hours per week on maintaining student academic records (grading), collaborative research with faculty and peers, attending biweekly colloquiums, and teaching.

Graduate Research Assistant

Fall 2022-Spring 2023

In this research assistantship, I assist Dr. Beth Messner in serving the needs of the university's Inclusive Excellence Taskforce, in addition to helping develop instructional material for the Virginia Ball Center racial reconciliation project.

Assistant Basic Course Director

Spring 2022-Fall 2022

The Assistant Basic Course Director is responsible for supporting the Basic Course Director in carrying out the various duties associated with the COMM 210 course. The ABCD serves as the point of contact for students enrolled in the COMM 210 course and GAs working in the Communication Department. Support to the Basic Course Director includes preparing general correspondence, answering emails, assisting with meeting preparation, tracking GA performance, etc.

Graduate Research Intern

Summer 2022

In this research internship, I assisted the Director of Graduate Studies in a variety of data collection, organization, and analysis work, such as data matching, compiling relevant research, transcribing interview data, and conducting low-level descriptive analyses of data.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Colorado State University

Fall 2023-Present

SPCM 200, Public Speaking (Instructor of Record)

Fundamentals of public speaking emphasizing content, organization, delivery, and audience response. Average class size of 25 students. Two sections are taught per semester, including lecture and activity-based learning.

Ball State University

Fall 2021-Spring 2023

COMM 210, Fundamentals of Public Speaking (Instructor of Record)

This discussion section focuses on the development of communication skills and an understanding of basic communication principles. Class size 20 students. One to three sections are taught per semester.

PUBLICATIONS

Denker, K. J., Knight, K., Carroll, R. K., Bradley, K. R., **Bonine, P. J.**, Lauck, S. M., Przytulski, H. S., & Storr, M. L. (2022). Assessing student mindset, interest, participation, and rapport in the post-pandemic public speaking classroom: Effects of modality change and communication growth mindset. *Journal of Communication Pedagogy*, 6, 178-194. <https://doi.org/10.31446/JCP.2022.1.14>

PRESENTATIONS

Bonine, P. J. We are family, but not in the nuclear sense: Understanding trans identity and familial structure through *Pose's* depiction of chosen family, womanhood, and motherhood. Presented at the 2022 Organization for the Study of Language & Gender research conference.

Bonine, P. J., & Durr, L. Meeting the measure: A queer criticism of university LGBTQIA+ safe zone training objectives. Presented at Ball State University's Provost's Faculty Summit: Equitable, Inclusive, and Innovative Practices 2023.

Bonine, P. J. Instagram tears for a beauty queen: A close textual analysis of celebrity memorial messages surrounding the passing of Cheslie Kryst. Presented at the Central States Communication Association 2023 Conference.

Bonine, P. J. Communicating survivorship: A thematic analysis of suicide survivors' messaging on blog posts. Presented at the Central States Communication Association 2023 Conference.

Bonine, P. J. Whiteness as supreme, homosexuals as sinful: Terri Joe's satirical TikTok fantasy of Christian womanhood. Presented at the NCA 2024 conference as part of a top student paper within the Mass Communication Division.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Research Articles

Bonine, P. J. (In Progress). Reclaiming Space, Politics, and Community Through Drag: A Queer Spatial Analysis of Democratic Reclamations Amidst U.S. Drag Bans. Fall 2023-Present.

Bonine, P. J. (Under Review). Instagram Tears for a Beauty Queen: Advocating for Suicide Prevention Outreach Beyond the Eulogistic Form in the Memorialization of Cheslie Kryst. Presented at the Central States Communication Association 2023 Conference. Submitted to *Western Journal of Communication*.

Book Review

Bonine, P. J. (Under Review). Review of *Queer Democracy: Desire, Dysphoria, and the Body Politic* by Daniel D. Miller. Accepted for publication upon revision to *Women & Language*.

Public Scholarship

Bonine, P. J. (In Progress). "Just Ask!": Corporatizing Mental Health Awareness via *RuPaul's Drag Race* Season 16. Spring 2024-Present.

SERVICE

University

Ball State University

Graduate Representative for Graduate School Academic Unit Review

Fall 2022

During the Graduate School Academic Unit Review, I represented the Communication Studies program in talking with the program assessment committee and graduate deans from various universities.

Departmental

Ball State University

Department Representative for Reviewers' Luncheon

Fall 2022

Every 6 years, each department at BSU has to complete a self-study and bring in external reviewers to evaluate the program. I served as a graduate representative for the Communication Studies MA program at the 2022 Reviewers' Luncheon. Here, I highlighted key aspects of our program, professional opportunities, and student body while in conversation with external reviewers.

Graduate Student Representative

Fall 2021-Spring 2022

1st-Year Graduate Student Representative to Graduate Faculty Meetings (nominated by faculty and voted in by 1st and 2nd-year peers). Attended faculty meetings and provided input guided by the graduate student experience/cohort(s), often providing insight into ways in which we can appeal to student recruitment, accelerated program options, and training.

Trans* Safe Zone Trainee

Spring 2022

Completed Safe Zone training to become a better ally/advocate for the transgender population at Ball State University and beyond by attending the Trans* Safe Zone Training. Training sessions are 4 hours long and are open to Ball State students, faculty, and staff seeking to foster diversity, equity, and inclusion in their spaces.

Professional

Ball State University

Communication Research Conferences

CSCA

Spring 2023

Conference Panel Chair, *Intersections, Transitions, and Silenced Voices in the SOGI Caucus*, Friday, March 31, 2023

Conference Panel Chair, *Finding futures – Faculty development panel*, Thursday, March 30, 2023

CRC

Fall 2021

Conference Panel Chair, *Negotiating Relationships, Heteronormativity, and Beyond*, Saturday, November 6, 2021

OSCLG

Fall 2021

Conference Panel Chair, *Feminist Pedagogy, and Mentoring*, Friday, October 8, 2021

Conference Panel Chair, *Communicating Gender: Language, Text, and Tech*, Friday, October 8, 2021

Conference Panel Chair, *(Re)Producing Family*, Saturday, October 9, 2021

Paper Reviewing

Spring 2023

NCA GIFTS Submissions. Reviewed 5 exercises in April 2023.

Fall 2022

CSCA Communication Education Division. Reviewed 1 paper in October 2022.

CSCA Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Caucus. Reviewed 3 papers in October 2022.

Spring 2022

NCA Caucus on LGBTQ Concerns. Reviewed 1 paper in April 2022.

CSCA Undergraduate Honors Conference Papers. Reviewed 2 papers in January 2022.

Community

Ball State University

COMM 425: Speechwriting

Fall 2020

In this senior-level course, I was able to work with a team to co-create an awareness address for a local community client. The community client was Laura Janney, executive director of Muncie OUTreach, and through my team's dynamic and intersectional work, Janney was able to present on the Rights, Representation, and Health of LGBTQ Youth.

COMM 450: Rhetoric and Advocacy

Spring 2020

COMM 450 served as a seminar in which I was able to partner with the Martin Luther King Dream Team (MLKDT), a local nonprofit organization devoted to promoting civil rights education. Specifically, I worked collaboratively to create traveling exhibits that were to be used in conjunction with the Freedom Bus project and assist in other programming and fundraising efforts. Our efforts to create traveling exhibits were presented to and funded by the Community Foundation of Muncie-Delaware County.

HONORS & AWARDS

Mentorship

Colorado State University

Excellence in Public Speaking Mentorship

Spring 2024

This award was given to three public speaking instructors for their success in preparing their student's speeches for CSU's theme of democracy, speeches of which were competitively chosen to speak during Communication Studies Week.

Top Papers

Colorado State University

Fall 2023

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Scholarships

Ball State University

Nitcavic Graduate Scholarship - \$1500.00

Spring 2022

This scholarship was awarded based on GPA standing, quality of application essay, and quality of references.

Communication Studies Mentor Scholarship - \$200

Fall 2022

A competitive fund was awarded for my service as an assistant basic course director in contribution to the facilitation of GTA training week sessions.

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- *Rhetorical Studies*
 - Citizenship from the Margins (SPCM 792A), Places of Democracy (SPCM 792A), Rhetoric & Advocacy (COMM 450), Critical Rhetorics of Race (COMM 690), Rhetorical Criticism (COMM 612), Rhetoric of Marginalized Voices, Speechwriting (COMM 425), Theories of Rhetoric (COMM 611)
- *Research Methods & Writing*
 - Writing for Public Audiences (SPCM 702), Academic Journal Writing (SPCM 701), Engaged Research Methods (SPCM 793), Qualitative Research in Communication (COMM 605), Quantitative Research in Communication (COMM 601), Rhetorical Criticism (COMM 612)
- *Pedagogy*
 - Speech Communication Pedagogy (SPCM 675), Issues in Instructional Communication (COMM 696.1), Research in Instructional Communication (COMM 696.2), Instructional Communication Design (COMM 696.1)

GRANTS

Communication Studies Graduate Department Travel Grants

Ball State University

- NCA conference fully funded *Fall 2022*
- OSCLG conference fully funded *Fall 2022*
- CSCA fully funded *Spring 2022*
- OSCLG fully funded *Fall 2021*

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Central States Communication Association (CSCA) *2022-present*
- National Communication Association (NCA) *2022-present*