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#### Education

Ph.D. Rhetoric and Composition, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Expected May 2017

M.A. English, Texas A&M University, May 2013

B.A. English, Texas A&M University, August 2011

#### **Academic Positions**

### Adjunct Instructor, Collin County College- Plano. Fall 2014- Present.

English 1302, Composition II, Rockwall High School-Instructor (Spring 2017)

Dual Credit English 1302, Composition II, Rockwall High School- Instructor (Spring 2017)

English 1301, College Reading and Writing, Rockwall Center- Instructor (Fall 2016)

*Dual Credit English 1301,* College Reading and Writing, Rockwall High School- Instructor (Fall 2016)

*Dual Credit English 1301,* College Reading and Writing, Rockwall Heath High School- Instructor (Fall 2015)

Dual Credit English 1301, College Reading and Writing, Heritage Christian Academy-Instructor (Fall 2015)

*Dual Credit English 1301,* College Reading and Writing [2 courses], Plano Sr. High School-Instructor (Fall 2014)

Co-Assistant Director of First Year Writing Program, Texas A&M University-Commerce. Fall 2014.

Adjunct Instructor- Online, Texas A&M University-Commerce. Summer 2014.

English 1301 OCW- US College Reading and Writing- Online Course Instructor

English 1302 OCW- US College Reading and Writing- Online Course Instructor

Adjunct Instructor, Blinn Community College- Bryan. Spring 2014.

English Composition 1301 Adjunct Instructor, Blinn Community College- Bryan, Texas

### Graduate Teaching Assistant, Texas A&M University-Commerce. Fall 2011- Present

English 1302 Written Argument and Research: Reclaiming Rhetoric [2 courses], Instructor-(Spring 2017)

English 406 YA Literature: The Diverse Experience, Instructor- (Fall 2016)

English 1301 College Reading and Writing: Convergence Culture and Rhetoric, Instructor- (Fall 2016)

English 1302 Written Argument and Research: Ethnography, Instructor- (Summer 2016)

Writing Center, Tutor- (Summer 2016)

English 1301 College Reading and Writing: Rhetoric and Writing [2 courses], Instructor- (Spring 2016)

English 1302 Written Argument and Research: Ethnography [2 courses], Instructor- (Fall 2015)

English 1302 Written Argument and Research: Ethnography, Instructor- (Summer 2015)

Writing Center, Tutor- (Summer 2015)

English 1301 College Reading and Writing: Literacy, [2 courses] Instructor- (Spring 2015)

English 1301 College Reading and Writing: Literacy, [2 courses] Instructor- (Fall 2014)

English 1302 Written Argument and Research: Ethnography [2 Online Courses] Instructor-(Spring 2014)

English 1302 Written Argument and Research: Ethnography [2 Online Courses] Instructor- (Fall 2013)

English 1302 Written Argument and Research: Ethnography, Instructor- (Spring 2013)

English 1301 College Reading and Writing: Literacy, Instructor- (Fall 2012)

English 100 Intro to College Reading and Writing/Lab, [2 courses] Instructor- (Spring 2012)

English 100 Intro to College Reading and Writing/Lab, [2 courses] Instructor- (Fall 2011)

Writing Center, Tutor- (Fall 2011-Summer 2013)

#### Academic and Creative Editor, Fall 2011- Present.

Resumes, academic essays, theses, dissertations creative and non-fiction copy editing

### Private English Tutor, Commerce and Greenville TX. Fall 2011- Summer 2013.

Tutored Non-native speakers in English reading, writing, speaking, and advanced comprehension

Writing Center Tutor- Student Worker, Texas A&M University-Commerce. Summer 2011.

Morris Recreation Center Department Editor, Texas A&M University-Commerce. Summer 2011-Summer 2012.

Edited Manuals, Newsletters, Schedules, and Online Web Page

Library Student Worker, Texas A&M University-Commerce. Spring 2009-Spring 2011.

Curriculum and Young-Adult/Children's Literature Section

#### Areas of Research Interest

Composition and Rhetoric, Literacy Studies, Critical Pedagogy, Feminist Studies, Body Rhetoric, Disability Studies, Children's and YA Literature

### **Presentations**

- "Exposing the Body, Disabling the Silence: Foucault's Social Body, Plato's *kalokagatheia*, and the Rhetoric of the disabled Female Body." South Central Modern Language Association (SCMLA). Austin, TX. October 2014.
- "The Tao of the Flaneur: Meditation and the Psychogeographical Memoir." Texas A&M University, Pathways. Kingsville, TX. November 2013.
- "[Un]Masking the Body: Tattoos, Authority, and Bodily Rhetoric." South Central Modern Language Association (SCMLA). New Orleans, LA. October 2013.
- "'Composing' Herself: Identity, Rhetoric, and Body Modification of the Modern American Woman." Feminisms and Rhetoric Conference. Stanford, CA. September 2013.
- "Playing with Death: Risky Representations of Death in Children's Literature and Games." 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Literature Association Conference. Biloxi, MS. June 2013.
- "Do[n't] Judge a Book By its Cover: Uncovering Classical Rhetoric in Modern Body Modification." North Texas Graduate English Conference. Dallas, TX. March 2013.
- "The Imagined Nature of Dystopia: Reflections of Ecological and Human Nature in *The Hunger Games* and *Maze Runner.*" Southwestern College, *The World We Have Imagined* International Conference. Winfield, KS.
- "Representations of Nature in Dystopian Literature and Film." Southwest Texas Popular Culture Association ACA Conference. Albuquerque, NM. February 2013.
- "The (Dead) Elephant (or Pig) in the Room: An Exposure of Culture Ideologies Found in *Pete and Pickles* and *Dear Mili.*" English Graduate for Academic Development (EGAD) Conference. Commerce TX. April 2012.

### **Creative Publication**

Cooper, Khimen. "[R]evolving Hate." *California Journal of Women Writers*. Chapbook 1: *Viscera*. August 2012.

### Awards

Writing Center Tutor of the Year. Texas A&M University-Commerce. Fall 2011-Spring 2012.

# Service to University and Academic Organizations

### **Texas A&M University-Commerce**

Co-Organized First Year Writing Program Assessment. Fall 2016.

Organized Celebration of Student Writing Assessment Event. Fall 2016.

Assisted on First Year Writing Program Assessment Committee. 2015-2016 Academic Year.

Co-Editor-in-Chief of The Mayo Review Creative Journal. 2015-2016 Academic Year.

Organized and Presented "FYWP Photo Essay Workshop." Fall 2014.

Assisted in Organization of First Year Writing Program Assessment and Assessment of Essays. Fall 2014.

Organized Pedagogy Workshop Series for First Year Writing Program. Fall 2014.

Presented Pedagogy Workshop: "Classroom Organization." Fall 2014.

Art Editor for *The Mayo Review* Creative Journal. Spring 2013-Spring 2015.

Assistant Poetry Editor for The Mayo Review Creative Journal. Spring 2012- Fall 2012.

Celebration of Student Writing Assessor. Fall 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Fall 2011.

Guest Lecturer, English 110 Critical Reading Class. Fall 2011.

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#### Conferences:

Session Chair for CHLA Conference. Biloxi, Mississippi. Summer 2013.

Rhetoric Panel Secretary, SCMLA Conference. New Orleans, Louisiana. Fall 2013.

### Service to Community

Essay Writing Contest Judge. Honors College. Texas A&M University-Commerce. Fall 2016.

UIL Ready Writing Contest Proctor and Grader. Commerce, TX. Spring 2015 and 2016.

Creative Writing Contest Judge. Dallas, TX. Spring 2013.

Organized *Education for Everyone Concert* benefiting Ghona Academy for Children in Tanzania Africa. Paris, TX. August 2011.

# **Organizations**

Teaching New Teachers (TNT) Mentor Program. Organizer and Mentor. Fall 2016- Current.

Sigma Tua Delta Secretary. Summer 2015-Current.

SEGAD Member. Spring 2015-Current.

Sigma Tua Delta Member. Fall 2012-Current.

JUNTO/EGAD Secretary. Fall 2012.

JUNTO/EGAD Member. Fall 2011-Spring 2015.