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EDUCATION

PhD in Literature

The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX

Dissertation: Heroes, Hedonists, Hell-Raisers, and Heretics: Reading American Masculinity in

Crisis, 1940-1995.

Theresa M. Towner, Chair

Erin Smith

Anne Gray-Fischer
Davis Smith-Brecheisen

MA in Literature

The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX. Non-terminal, no thesis.

MA in English

The University of Texas at Tyler, Tyler, TX

Thesis: Telling Our Stories, Changing Our Lives: The Rhetorical Impact of Coming Out Narratives

on the Struggle for LGBT+ Liberation and Equality.

Emily Standrige, Chair

David Strong

BA in University Studies (English, History, Music)

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

Core Courses in English, History, Music

Tyler Junior College

Dallas Baptist University

Core Courses in Music

Lon Morris College

Core Courses in English, History, Music

COURSEWORK

The University of Texas at Dallas

- Independent Study Dissertation
- Academic Writing Workshop
- Field Exam Preparation
- Studies in Literary Forms & Genres
- Literature of the 20th Century American Literature Post-1945
- Major Authors–Toni Morrison

- Teaching First-Year Writing
- Literature & Society
- Proseminar in Literary Studies
- Studies in Literary Movements
- Studies in 19th Century Literature
- Studies in Literary Themes

The University of Texas at Tyler

- Independent Study–Thesis
- Masters of American Literature— Henry David Thoreau
- Chaucer & Middle English Literature
- Masters of American Literature– Emily Dickinson
- Studies in 20th Century American Literature

- Masters of English Literature
- Writing Center Theory & Practice
- Studies in Creative Writing
- Modern & Contemporary Gothic Novelists
- History & Practice of Rhetoric
- Bibliography & Research Methods

Texas Tech University

- Race, Nationality, and Identity
- Introduction to Technical Writing
- Modern & Contemporary American Literature
- Perspectives on Integrated Studies
- Professional Report Writing
- Style in Technical Writing
- World Wide Web Publication

CERTIFICATIONS

AP Instructor Certification College Board AP Summer Institute 2023 (non-expiring)

Online Instructor Certification The University of Texas at Tyler 2023 (non-expiring)

Graduate Teaching Certificate
The Center for Teaching and Learning
The University of Texas at Dallas
2021 (non-expiring)

Online Instructor Certification Tyler Junior College 2019 (non-expiring)

English Language Arts & Reading (8-12) Texas State Board of Educator Certification 2015-2020; 2020-2025

English as a Second Language (8–12 Suppl.) Texas State Board of Educator Certification 2016–2020; 2020–2025

EXPERIENCE

Instructor
Bishop Dunne Catholic School, Dallas, TX
English II & IV College Prep, AP Literature & Composition, Dual Credit English IV
July 2023—Present

Adjunct Professor of English
Graduate & Doctoral Studies – Literature & Composition
Liberty University
July 2024—Present

Lecturer I
The University of Texas at Dallas
Literature & Rhetoric
May 2023–Present

Adjunct Lecturer
The University of Texas at Tyler
Composition II
January 2022–January 2024

Long-Term Substitute English III Lakeview Centennial High School, Garland, TX January–May 2023

Graduate Teaching Associate
The University of Texas at Dallas
Rhetoric & Introduction to World Literature
August 2020–December 2022

Professor of English
Tyler Junior College
Composition I Corequisite, Composition I, Composition II, World Literature I & II
January 2019–June 2021

Online ESL Instructor VIPKid, Inc. July 2018–January 2020

Instructor
Edgewood High School, Edgewood, TX

10th Grade English, 10th Grade Pre-AP English, 12th Grade Business English August 2017–June 2018

Instructor & Department Chair Tyler Early College High School, Tyler, TX 9th Grade Pre-AP English, AVID I July 2015–June 2016

Contract Writer/Consultant (see publications header)
June 2015–August 2017

Instructor

Grand Saline Middle & High School, Grand Saline, TX 7th Grade Honors English, 8th Grade Honors English, 10th-12th Grade EOC Remediation October 2010–June 2015

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Publications (Books, Chapters, and Articles)

- "Sacred Composition, Style, and Syntax: Roman Catholic Liturgy and Poe's 'Berenice'."

 Christianity and Literature, in review.
- Co-Editor. *Practical Writing for a Technical World*, Edited by Jason A. Walker and Carie S. Tucker King. Kendall Hunt, in drafting.
- Contributing Author. *Research and Argumentation within Rhetorical Foundations*, Edited by Janelle Gray and Carie S. Tucker King. Kendall Hunt, 2024.
- "Revelation Without Resolution: A Review of Flannery: The Storied Life of the Writer From Georgia." Athenaeum Review, Fall 2022.

Conference Presentations

- "Whose Good? Reframing the 'Public' in Public Writing." Submitted for consideration: CCCC Fall Virtual Institute, November 2025.
- "Buried in Baptism: Religious Trauma, Sacramental Violence, and O'Connor's Complicated Portrayal of Redemption in The Violent Bear It Away." Accepted for Presentation, Flannery O'Connor's Second Century: Looking Forward, Looking Back (Milledgeville, GA September 12-15, 2024)
- "Invisible Men: Cold War Politics and the 'Crisis' of American Masculinity." *The Louisville Conference on Literature and Culture*, The University of Louisville, Feb. 2023.

"Profits and Pitfalls: Navigating Flannery O'Connor in a Multicultural College Classroom." Flannery O'Connor Society Panel, South Central MLA Conference, Oct. 2021.

"Wise Blood, Dissident Readers, and Flannery O'Connor's Place in 'Capital-L' Literature."
Flannery O'Connor Society Panel, American Literature Association Conference, Boston, MA, 10 Jul. 2021.

"Perfect Places" *Southwest Symposium*, Sigma Tau Delta Southwestern Region, The University of Texas at Dallas, 7 Nov. 2020.

Human Interest Publications

Staff Writer. Houston Real Producers Magazine, 2017-2018 (9 articles).

Freelance Writer. "My Hometown" The Grand Saline Sun, 2016-2017 (11 article series)

Freelance Writer. Parachute by MapQuest, 2015-2017 (6 articles).

Honors & Awards

2025 Nominee

The President's Teaching Excellence Award for Part-Time Faculty The University of Texas at Dallas

2024 Nominee

Victor Worsfold Award for Outstanding Teaching – Undergraduate Part-Time The University of Texas at Dallas

2023 Nominee

The President's Teaching Excellence Award for Teaching Assistants The University of Texas at Dallas

2022 Nominee

Victor Worsfold Award for Outstanding Teaching Assistant The University of Texas at Dallas

2022 Inductee

Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society Alpha Psi Nu Chapter, The University of Texas at Dallas

2021 Inductee

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi The University of Texas at Dallas 2016 Inductee

Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society Epsilon Omega Chapter, The University of Texas at Tyler

2011-2012 Recipient

The Student Academic Citizenship Award
Texas Tech Parents Association, Texas Tech University

2012 Inductee
The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

Texas Tech University

2012 Inductee
The Gamma Beta Phi Society
Texas Tech University

SERVICE

President 2020–2022 The Arts & Humanities Graduate Student Association The University of Texas at Dallas

- Communicated with faculty sponsor on a regular basis regarding organizational activities, plans, funds, etc.
- Scheduled and presided over executive committee meetings
- Acted as graduate student liaison to the School of Arts and Humanities faculty meetings
- Worked closely with the Dean of the School of Arts and Humanities to negotiate organizational name change and restructuring for university recognition
- Wrote and successfully campaigned for the adoption of a new constitution and bylaws for official recognition by the university
- Facilitated planning of the 2021 and 2022 Research, Art, and Writing Student Symposium
 - Wrote and published calls for papers
 - Monitored and responded to student submissions
 - Coordinated with the joint faculty/student selection committee
 - Collaborated with the Conference Coordinator on creating and scheduling panels
 - Coordinated with School of Arts, Humanities, and Technology (AHT) financial office regarding monetary distributions
 - Conducted successful fundraising efforts for general conference needs and for monetary awards with AHT Dean's office and other AHT organizations
 - Coordinated with IT department to ensure technological needs for virtual conferences with international participants were met and maintained
 - Acted as emcee for opening and closing sessions
 - Acted as panel chair for two panels

- Arranged keynote speakers and a special screening of their documentary film for the 2021 conference
- Facilitated, scheduled, and hosted professional development seminars for graduate students given by faculty members and other special guests
- Managed and produced content for organizational social media platforms: Facebook, Twitter (X), and Instagram
- Represented the organization at New Student Orientation
- Planned, promoted, and hosted beginning and end-of-year student/faculty socials

Arts & Humanities Representative 2020–2021 Campus Wellness Committee The University of Texas at Dallas Graduate Student Association

- Reported on efforts to ensure student wellness in the School of Arts and Humanities during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Reported on other activities designed to promote virtual student engagement during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Promoted Wellness Committee initiatives within the School of Arts and Humanities

Member 2019–2020 English 1301 Committee Tyler Junior College

- Collaborated with fellow English faculty
 - o Ensure availability of required records for accreditation
 - Reviewed and made recommendations for revision to the English 1301 standard course syllabus
 - Reviewed student success data and established initiatives and strategies to improve performance
 - Assist in preparation and execution of the annual faculty development symposium hosted by Tyler Junior College
 - Represented Tyler Junior College English at the 2019 Texas Community College Educators Convention