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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Communication, Rhetoric, and Digital Media at North Carolina State University (NCSU). Currently enrolled.
- M.A. Communication Studies, University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG): May 2019. Capstone: A Phenomenological Analysis of Contrapower Sexual Harassment in the Academy.
- M.P.A. Public Administration, Old Dominion University (ODU): December 2015. Capstone: Code of Ethics: Effective and Ethical Governance in Public and Nonprofit Organizations.
- B.A. Communication Studies, Christopher Newport University (CNU): May 2013. Senior Seminar: The Collegiate Transfer Student Experience: A Pilot Study on Blog Narratives.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Interpersonal Communication, Public Speaking, Gender Communication, Nonverbal Communication, Dark Side of Close Relationships, Persuasion, Dialectical Tensions, Relational Maintenance and Dissolution, Identity on the Margins

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Fall 2019-Current **Graduate Teaching Assistant and Instructor of Record, Department of Communication**
North Carolina State University (NCSU), Raleigh, NC.
 Serve as primary instructor; Independently teach two 20-seat sections of Public Speaking per semester.
- Fall 2019-Spring 2020 **Grader for COM 112: Interpersonal Communication, Department of Communication**
North Carolina State University (NCSU), Raleigh, NC.
 Grade course assignments, provide written feedback and recommendations for improvement, maintain professional knowledge of emergent theory in field.
- 2018-2019 **Orientation Adviser, College of Arts and Sciences Advising**
University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG), Greensboro, NC.
 Advised and registered incoming freshman students for their first semester of classes
- 2018-2019 **Graduate Admissions Representative, Jenkins MBA Program**
North Carolina State University (NCSU), Raleigh, NC.
 Interview and advise applicants regarding admissions and application processes
 Review, provide written evaluations for applicants, and recommend applications for admission
- 2017-2019 **Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Communication Studies**
University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG), Greensboro, NC.
 Independently taught two 25-seat sections each semester of Intro to Communication Studies, a course that combines public speaking with communication theory; Promoted to Senior Graduate Teaching Assistant during second year in program
- 2016-2017 **Assistant Director of Transfer Admission, Office of Undergraduate Admissions**
Meredith College (MC), Raleigh, NC.
 Exceeded annual transfer applicant and admitted student recruitment goals by 40%
 Planned, organized, and facilitated transfer and freshman recruitment events
- 2013-2016 **Transfer Admission Coordinator, Office of Undergraduate Transfer Admission**
Christopher Newport University (CNU), Newport News, VA.
 Conducted student interviews and evaluated applications for transfer admission
 Designed, developed, and delivered transfer student seminars, presentations, and orientations

PUBLICATIONS

- Olson, L. N. & Holland, A. (2020). *What happened? How did I get here?* Consent and sexual assault on a college campus. In E. L. Kirby & M. C. McBride (Eds.), *Gender actualized: Cases in communicatively constructing realities* (2nd ed.). Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt Publishing.
- Olson, L. N. & Holland, A. (2020). Instructional materials for case entitled *What happened? How did I get here?* Consent and sexual assault on a college campus. In E. L. Kirby & M. C. McBride (Eds.), *Gender actualized: Cases in communicatively constructing realities* (2nd ed.). Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt Publishing.

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

- Olson, L. N., Bussiere, C., & Holland, A. (2020). Female survivors of domestic abuse: Negotiation of relational contradictions. Manuscript in preparation.
- Olson, L.N., Holland, A., & Bussiere, C. (2020). Graduate students' experiences with contra-power sexual harassment. Manuscript in preparation.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Harvell-Bowman, L. (Chair), Borton, I., Ferguson, CLS, Sakina Jangbar, S., Kunkel, A., Wiley, M., Olson, L., Holland, A., Bussiere, C., Reynolds, R., Scott, K., & Weathers, M. (2019). *Violence, voice, and victimhood: Activism and social justice in the face of survivorship*. A panel discussion at the National Communication Association conference, Activism and Social Justice division, Baltimore, MD.
- Holland, A. (2019). *"It Isn't Just People with Power Over Us who can Make Us Feel Vulnerable": A Phenomenological Analysis of Contrapower Sexual Harassment in the Academy*. A paper presentation at the Carolinas Communication Association conference. Hilton Head Island, SC.
- Olson, L., Holland, A., Bussiere, C., Nance, C. (2019). *Contrapower Sexual Harassment in the Academy: The Graduate Experience of Contrapower*. A paper presentation at the Carolinas Communication Association conference. Hilton Head Island, SC.
- Holland, A. (2019). *Building and Sustaining A Culturally Responsive Classroom: A Teacher Training Workshop*. A panel discussion at the Carolinas Communication Association conference. Hilton Head Island, SC.
- Holland, A. (2019). *Sexual Harassment in the Academy*. Paper presented at Assemblages: Anti-Oppression Works, UNCG's 6th Annual Women's and Gender Studies Research Symposium. Greensboro, NC.
- Holland, A. (2019). *Moving Beyond Out Boundaries: Supporting Persuasive Speech Organization in the Classroom*. Panel presented at the National Association of Communication Center conference. Greensboro, NC.
- Holland, A. (2018). *Beyond Basic: Accelerating Learning in the Basic Course*. Panel presented at Carolinas Communication Association. Charlotte, NC.
- Holland, A. (2018). *Why She Stayed: Analyzing a Viral Account of Domestic Violence*. Paper presented at Carolinas Communication Association conference. Charlotte, NC.
- Holland, A. (2013). *The Perceptions of Recently Graduated Sorority Alumnae: The Evolution and Maintenance of Friendship and Communication*. Paper presented at Southern States Communication Association conference. Louisville, KY.
- Holland, A. (2013). *President's Leadership Program: Encouraging Students to Connect Nature and Culture*. Panel presented at Virginia Humanities Conference 2013. Newport News, VA.

AWARDS AND HONORS

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| 2019-Current | Teaching Assistantship, NCSU |
| 2019-Current | University Graduate Fellowship, NCSU |
| 2018 | John Andrew and Margaret E. Robinson Memorial Fellowship, UNCG |
| 2018 | Robert Schwartzman Qualitative Research Fellowship, UNCG |
| 2018 | Lambda Pi Eta Membership, UNCG (membership current) |
| 2017 | Robert Schwartzman Scholarship Recipient, UNCG |
| 2017 | Teaching Assistantship, UNG (two-year role) |
| 2015 | Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society for Public Affairs, ODU (membership current) |
| 2015 | Golden Key International Honors Society, ODU (membership current) |
| 2013 | Graduated with Service Distinction, CNU |
| 2013 | President's Leadership Program Scholarship Recipient, CNU |

RESEARCH PROJECTS & EXPERIENCE

- 2019-Current **Non-Residential Fatherhood and Resiliency, Dr. Elizabeth Craig, NCSU**
Identify and code themes from the interview transcripts of incarcerated fathers; research material and contribute writing to the project's literature review.
- 2018-2019 **Sexual Harassment and Contrapower in the Academy, Dr. Loreen Olson, UNCG**
Conduct focus groups of current and former teaching and graduate assistants who have experienced forms of sexual harassment from undergraduate students; explore themes and utilize grounded theory and phenomenology as a method to interpret results
- 2017-2019 **IPV and Relational Dialectics Theory, Dr. Loreen Olson, UNCG**
Identify and code themes among survivors of domestic violence using grounded theory; utilize Relational Dialectics Theory (RDT) as a framework for interpreting data
- 2018-2019 **North Carolina Eugenics Sterilization Research, Dr. Roy Schwartzman, UNCG**
Identify themes and code victim testimonies of the NC sterilization program; Explore the rhetorical tactics used by the state of North Carolina and eugenics organizations to promote North Carolina's eugenic sterilization program to the general public
- 2018-2019 **Greensboro 27 Research, Dr. Spoma Jovanovic, UNCG**
Interview grassroots organizers and active community members to: highlight important work happening in Greensboro, recognize community members, and create inter-generational talks that inspire students to become engaged or deepen their engagement in political, civic, and cultural concerns; Write chapters on community members that will be compiled for a book
- 2018-2019 **LEAP (Lifetime Eating and Activity Practices) Research, Dr. Marianne LeGreco, UNCG**
Code themes from a year's worth of weekly meetings between LEAP's core research team and community-academic partnerships; Organize themes in Excel

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- 2019-Current **Graduate Student Association (GSA) Departmental Representative, PhD in Communication, Rhetoric, and Digital Media Student Association, NCSU**
Convey scholarship, grant, and professional development opportunities to departmental constituents
- 2019-Current **Teaching Effectiveness Committee Member, Graduate Student Association (GSA), NCSU**
Responsible for coordinating Teaching Effectiveness Award for teaching assistants
- 2019 **NC State Data Security Training, NCSU**
Received certificate of completion for demonstrating cybersecurity awareness
- 2019 **Accessibility in the Classroom Course, NCSU**
Completed 6-week course designed to help instructors make courses more inclusive and accessible. Designed an accessible syllabus approved by University IT Accessibility Coordinator. Received certificate of completion.
- 2017-2019 **Colloquia and Events Planning Committee, Communication Studies Department, UNCG**
Co-founded "Coffee & Croissants" monthly series where graduate Communication Studies faculty connected with graduate students and engaged in conversation about designated professional topics
- 2018 **Spartans-In-Dialogue Workshop Series, UNCG**
Completed 5-week interactive dialogue workshop experience designed to build relationships across difference and explore topics related to racial identity, race relations, and intersectionality
- 2018 **Intercultural Competency Training Workshop, UNCG**
Completed Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) and created global engagement activities and practiced that work in teaching undergraduate students
- 2018 **New Graduate Teaching Assistant Training, UNCG**
Spoke about 1st year teaching experience to 200 graduate students; answered questions from audience
- 2018 **Teaching Assistant Mentorship for Incoming Communication Studies Students, UNCG**
Serve as a mentor to incoming Teaching Assistants and provide guidance on lesson planning, experiential learning activities, grading and feedback, and navigating relational course dynamics

AFFILIATIONS

National Communication Association (NCA)
Southern States Communication Association (SSCA)
Carolinas Communication Association (CCA)
Lambda Pi Eta Communication Honor Society
Golden Key International Honor Society
Pi Alpha Alpha