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EDUCATION

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, January 2024 - Present
Pursuing a Doctor of Philosophy in Communication & Information Sciences
Concentration in Interpersonal Communication
Current GPA: 4.0

Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR, January 2023 - May 2023
Certificate of Proficiency in Technical and Professional Communication
GPA: 4.0

Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia, AR, May 2021 - July 2022
Master of Arts in Teaching
GPA: 3.9

Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR, August 2018 - May 2021
Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communication
Certificate of Proficiency in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
GPA: 3.968

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, January 2024 - Present
- Monitoring academic performance for approximately 60 students per semester in Public Speaking and Business/Professional Communication, implementing behavior guidelines, preparing class activities, and utilizing various teaching methods

Debate Team Coach, Sheridan High School, Sheridan, AR, August 2022 - May 2023
- Coached the debate team and led to winning first place in high school debate sweepstakes at the Cabot Classic tournament

Classroom Teacher, Sheridan High School, Sheridan, AR, August 2021 - May 2023
- Assessed academic performance for approximately 130 students per semester in Personal Communication, English I, and Debate I, implemented behavior guidelines, prepared class activities, and utilized various teaching methods

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, January 2024 - May 2024
- Contributed to a research project by completing detailed Leximancer analyses of *Health Communication* publications from 1989-2023 and completed annotated bibliographies

COLLEGE/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- 2024 Research Lab, The University of Alabama (Dr. Leah LeFebvre), August 2024 - Present
- Debate Tournament Judge, Cabot Classic, January 2023
- Arkansas Communication and Theatre Arts Association, 2022 - 2023
- National Speech and Debate Association, 2022 - 2023

- SHS Professional Development, 108 credit hours, 2021 - 2023
- The Communication Society, Arkansas Tech University, 2018 - 2021

HONORS AND AWARDS
- C&IS Graduate Assistantship ($216,004 in total), 2024 - 2027
- State Teacher Education Program Grant ($6,000), 2023
- Teacher Opportunity Program Grant ($1,194), 2023
- Teacher Impact Award, September 2022
- State Teacher Education Program Grant ($3,000), 2022
- Teacher Opportunity Program Grant ($2,172), 2022
- Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship ($12,750 in total), 2018 - 2022
- Summa Cum Laude honors distinction, Arkansas Tech University, 2021
- Presidential Academic Scholarship ($27,000 in total), 2018 - 2021
- Dean's List, Arkansas Tech University, 2018 - 2021
- Nominated for induction into National Society of Leadership and Success
- Nominated for induction into Alpha Chi National College Honor Society

CERTIFICATIONS
- CITI Conflicts of Interest certification, September 2024 - Present
- CITI RCR Basic Course certification, January 2024 - Present
- CITI Human Research - Non-Medical Investigators certification, January 2024 - Present
- Analyzing Student Work Samples Micro-Credential, Arkansas Department of Education, December 2022

SKILLS
- Institutional Review Board E-Protocol submission process
- Microsoft Office programs (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook, Teams)
- Graphic design (Canva, Adobe)
- Qualtrics Surveys
- NVivo analysis software
- Otter.ai transcribing software
- Leximancer text mining software
- G*Power statistical analysis software
- Interpersonal communication
- Time management

PRAXIS EXAM SCORES
- Math Core – 162
- Writing Core – 182
- Reading Core – 192
- Speech Communication – 170
- Theatre – 156
- English Language Arts – 174
- English to Speakers of Other Languages – 174
- Principles of Learning and Teaching – 185

TEACHING LICENSURE
- State: Arkansas
- ID: 10155754