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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Rhetoric Carnegie-Mellon University, Department of English, 1985

M.A. in Linguistics University of Massachusetts at Amherst, 1981

B.A. Brandeis University, summa cum laude, with honors in linguistics, 1978

Overseas program, Tel Aviv University, 1976-1977

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Department of Rhetoric and Writing, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.
Professor Emerita, 2023-present. Associate Director, 2001-2005. Professor, 1997-2023.

English Department, Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania. Director of Composition, 1996-1997. Associate Head, 1994-1996. Associate Professor, 1992.
Assistant Professor, 1986

Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Post-Doctoral Fellow, 1985-86

FELLOWSHIPS, RESEARCH GRANTS, AND CONTRACTS

"Judaic Debates on the Nature of the Psalms: The Reception History of First-Person Psalms." J. William Fulbright Foreign Senior Scholar Fellowship Award for collaborative study with the Biblia Arabica Project at Tel Aviv University, January-June 2017, \$16,000; academic leave for Spring 2017 supported by a College of Liberal Arts CRF.

"An Undergraduate Writing Collaboration between Southwestern University and The University of Texas at Austin." Mellon Foundation, 2011-2015, \$720,000. Consultant with Mark Longaker to Writing in the Disciplines project directed by John McCann, supervising two post-doctoral fellows and conducting annual faculty workshops, \$6500 per year.

Dean's Fellowship. "The Testimony of the Song." Semester's release for Spring 2009 for book project on the rhetoric of the Hebrew Psalms. (Granted.)

BOOK

Persuading God: Rhetorical Studies of First-Person Psalms, Phoenix Sheffield Press, Sheffield, England, 2015. Paperback edition, 2017.

Reviews:

Philippus J. Botha, *Review of Biblical Literature*, January 2017.

[<http://www.bookreviews.org>]

Stanley Porter, *Rhetorica*, November 2019
<https://rh.ucpress.edu/content/ucprhet/37/4/427.full.pdf>

Jason M.H. Gaines, *AJS Review*, (November 2019) 43.2, 441-443.

Simon Chi Chung Cheung, *Journal of Theological Studies*, March 2020

H.G.M. Williamson, *Journal of Jewish Studies*, Spring 2020, 187-90

RECENT REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Standing Before God in the Hebrew Bible: Rhetorically Centering Individuals' Petitions at the Dedication of the Temple (I Kgs 8).” Forthcoming, *Rhetorica*.

"The Centrality of Individual Petitions in Temple Rituals: Hannah, Solomon, and First-Person Psalms." *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament*, 48.4 (2024): 513-538.

"The Short and the Long of It: Rhetorical Amplitude at Gettysburg." *Rhetoric and Public Affairs*, 21.2 (2018): 317-341.

Longaker, Mark Garrett, Davida Charney, Alice Batt, and Diane Davis. “Growing Despite Austerity.” *College Composition and Communication*, 68.1 (2016): 186-191.

"Maintaining Innocence Before a Divine Hearer: Deliberative Rhetoric in Psalm 22, Psalm 17, and Psalm 7." *Biblical Interpretation* 21.1 (2013): 33-63. DOI: 10.1163/15685152-1041A0003.

"Keeping the Faithful: Persuasive Strategies in Psalms 4 and Ps 62." *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures*, 12.16 (2012). [DOI:10.5508/jhs.2012.v12.a16](https://doi.org/10.5508/jhs.2012.v12.a16).

"Performativity and Persuasion in the Hebrew Book of Psalms: A Rhetorical Analysis of Psalms 22 and 116." *Rhetoric Society Quarterly*, 40.3 (2010) 247-268.

Patchan, Melissa, Davida Charney, and Christian Schunn. "A validation study of students' end comments: Comparing comments by students, a writing instructor, and a content instructor." *Journal of Writing Research*, 1.2 (2009) 124-152. Finalist for Hayes Award, September, 2010.

RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS TO COLLECTIONS

"Stasis: Moving People to Action," in Jeanne Fahnestock and Randy Harris, eds. *The Routledge Handbook of Language and Persuasion*, 2022, 78-95.

Longaker, Mark; Diane Davis, Davida Charney, Alice Batt. "Growing Despite Austerity: The Department of Rhetoric and Writing at the University of Texas at Austin." Richard Matzen and Matthew Abrahams, eds. *Weathering the Storm: Independent Writing Programs in the Age of Fiscal Austerity*, Utah State University Press, 2019. 51-59.

Ruszkiewicz, John and Davida Charney. "Who, Then, Is This Rhetoric Major?" In: Cheryl Glenn and Roxanne Mountford (eds.), *Rhetoric and Writing Studies in the New Century: Historiography, Pedagogy, and Politics*. Carbondale, IL: Southern Illinois University Press, 2017. 153-172.

"Getting to 'How Do You Know?' Rather Than 'So What?' From 'What's New?'" Invited essay for special methodology issue of *Technical Communication Quarterly*, 24.1 (2015) 105-108.

"Taking a Stance Toward God: Rhetoric in the Book of Psalms." In: Michael Bernard-Donals and Jan Fernheimer (eds.), *Jewish Rhetorics: History, Theory, Practice*. Brandeis University Press, 2015. 1-15.

EDITED COLLECTIONS

Guest Editor, *Written Communication* 21.1 (Jan 2004), a special issue on the Rhetoric of Popular Science.

Guest Editor, *Journal of Business and Technical Communication*, July and October 2001. Two special issues on Prospects for Research in Professional and Technical Communication, These issues won the National Council of Teachers of English 2002 Award for Best Collection of Essays in Scientific and Technical Communication.

Marie Secor and Davida Charney (eds.). *Constructing Rhetorical Education*. Carbondale, IL: Southern Illinois University, 1992. 422+ pp.

TEXTBOOK

Charney, Davida, Christine Neuwirth, Cheryl Geisler, and Dave Kaufer. *Having Your Say*. Allyn and Bacon/Longman, 2006. *Instructor's Manual for Having Your Say*. Pearson/Longman, 2006.

RECENT BOOK REVIEWS

"Review of Carol A. Newsom, *Rhetoric and Hermeneutics: Approaches to Text, Tradition and Social Construction in Biblical and Second Temple Literature* (Mohr Siebeck, 2019)." *Rhetorica*, 40.3, 2022, 322-324.

"Review of Andrew Streett, *The Vine and the Son of Man: Eschatological Interpretation of Psalm 80 in Early Judaism*. (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2014)." *Catholic Bible Quarterly* 77 (October 2015), 748-51.

"Review of Janet Smith, *Dust or Dew: Immortality in the Ancient Near East and in Ps 49*. (Cambridge, U.K.: James Clarke, 2011)." *Catholic Bible Quarterly* 75.3 (2013): 780-1.

"Review of *Soundings in the Theology of the Psalms: Perspectives and Methods in Contemporary Scholarship*. Edited by Rolf A. Jacobson. Minneapolis, Fortress Press, 2011." *Biblical Interpretation*, 20.4, 2012, 498-499.

INVITED TALKS

"Religious Rhetoric: Impermanence and Camouflage," invited panelist on supersession The Futures of Religious Rhetorics. Rhetoric Society of America, Baltimore Maryland, May 26-29, 2022

"How Judaic Prayer Got Fixed...And Lost Its Kairos." Invited talk, Jewish Studies Program, University of Kentucky at Lexington, 13 November 2018.

"Biblical Prayer and Sacrifice" at a meeting of Professor Daniel Freese's course HJS/HIS 324 - Jewish Thought and Culture I: From Ancient Israel through the Middle Ages, University of Kentucky at Lexington, 13 November 2018.

"Rethinking Literary and Rhetorical Analysis." Spring Colloquium Series, Bible Studies Department, Tel Aviv University, 28 March 2017

"How Peer Review Can Promote Better Writing." The MOFET Institute for Research, Curriculum and Program Development for Teacher Educators, Ramat Aviv, Israel, 23 March 2017.

"Arguments in Academic Disciplines." The MOFET Institute for Research, Curriculum and Program Development for Teacher Educators, Ramat Aviv, Israel, 30 March 2017

"Keeping the Faithful." Faculty-Student colloquium; Schusterman Center for Jewish Studies, University of Texas, September 11, 2015.

"Current Rhetorical Approaches in the USA." ADARR (Analysis of Discourse, Argumentation, and Rhetoric) Society Colloquium Series. Tel Aviv University, April 21, 2009.

"What is a Good Academic Question?" Israeli Science Technology and Society Colloquium Series. Bar Ilan University, March 29, 2009.

Keynote Speaker. "Towards Disinterested Disagreeable Discourse in the Professions and Academic Disciplines." Professional Writing Program Conference, English Department, University of Maryland, August 30, 2006.

RECENT CONFERENCE PAPERS

"Were Sinful Individuals Authorized to Pray? Evidence from 1 Kings 8 and Psalms." The Bible and Its World, Jerusalem, July 1-3 2024.

"Jewish Homiletics as Hermeneutics." Rhetoric Society of America, Denver Colorado, May 22-26, 2024.

"Petitioning for Justice in the Hebrew Bible: An Authorized Public Process for Individual Well-Being." Rhetoric Society of America, Denver Colorado, May 22-26, 2024.

"Enacting, Re-enacting, Reminding, and Intensifying: The Embodied Rhetoric of Jewish Intentionality Practices." Association for Jewish Studies, Boston, Massachusetts, December 15-19, 2022.

"Enacting, Re-enacting, Reminding, and Intensifying: The Embodied Rhetoric of Jewish Intentionality Practices" Rhetoric Society of America, Baltimore Maryland, May 26-29, 2022

"Performative Commonplaces: The Verbal and Gestural Repertoire of Jewish Liturgy." 23rd Biennial Conference of the International Society for the History of Rhetoric (ISHR) at Radboud University Nijmegen, The Netherlands, July 26-30, 2022

"Liturgical Petitions in the Hebrew Bible and Beyond." Association for Jewish Studies, Chicago, December 19-22, 2021.

"New Books in the History of Rhetoric: Davida Charney's *Persuading God*." Respondent, ASHR panel at the NCA, virtual, Nov. 2020.

"Move Over, Prophets! Psalmists as Social Activists." ISHR, New Orleans, 23-27 July 2019.

"Sacrifice to Siddur: Material Ritual to Engaged Intellect in Jewish Liturgy." International Society of Biblical Literature, Rome, July 2, 2019.

"The Fate of I and Thou in Second Temple and Early Judaic Prayer." Association for Jewish Studies, Boston MA, December 15-18, 2018.

"How Judaic Prayer Got Fixed: Straining for Spontaneity in a Prescribed Liturgy." Rhetoric & Religion in the 21st Century Conference, Knoxville, TN, Oct 4-7, 2018.

"The Rhetorical Situation of Prayer: The Evolution of Judaic Liturgy." Biennial Meeting of the Rhetoric Society of America, May 31-June 3, 2018, Minneapolis MN.

"A Striking Discontinuity: Why the Rabbis Excluded the Psalms from Prayers." Annual Meeting, Association of Jewish Studies, Washington DC, December 17-19, 2017.

"Judaic Performance of the Psalms: Poetry, Prophecy, or Prayer?" Annual Meeting, Society for Biblical Literature, Boston MA, November 18-21, 2017.

"Poetry, Prophecy or Prayer: A Reception Study of First-Person Psalms." World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, August 2017.

"Medieval Jewish Definition Arguments: Psalms as Poems or Prayers." ISHR, London England, July 2017.

"The Dilemmas of Defining Psalms as Prophecy for Rabbanites and Karaites." Talk presented at the Society of Biblical Literature conference, San Antonio, November 2016.

"Cursing Religiously in Psalm 109." Talk presented at the Society of Biblical Literature conference, San Antonio, November 2016.

"Reversals and Amplification: Two Inter-Disciplinary Discourse Strategies." Talk presented at the Third International Conference on Academic Writing, Tel Aviv, Israel, June 27-28, 2016.

"Defining Sacred Texts: Pre-Modern Jewish Debates over the Nature of the Psalms." Talk presented at the RSA Biennial Meeting, Atlanta, May 2016.

"The Long and the Short of It: Amplification at Gettysburg." Talk presented at the RSA Biannual Meeting, Atlanta, May 2016.

"Time to Take Stock: What We Can (and Can't) Learn from Current CHAT Methodology in Writing Studies Research." Respondent. CCCC Annual Meeting, Houston, April 2016.

"Self-Persuasion through Enargeia in Psalm 77." Talk presented at the International Society for the History of Rhetoric conference, Tübingen, Germany, July 2015.

"Self-Persuasion through Enargeia in Psalm 77." Talk presented at the Society of Biblical Literature conference, San Diego, November 2014.

"Rethinking Rhetorical and Literary Criticism." Talk presented at the Society of Biblical Literature conference, San Diego, November 2014.

"Poetically Persuading the Divine in Ancient Greece and Israel." Talk presented with Jeff Walker, 2014 Biennial Meeting of the Rhetoric Society of America, San Antonio, May 2014.

"Jewish Rhetoric." Talk presented at the 2014 Biennial Meeting of the Rhetoric Society of America, San Antonio, May 2014.

"Restoring the Deleted Expletive in Psalm 62." Talk presented at the The Sixteenth World Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, Israel, July 28 – August 1, 2013.

"Praise as Currency in the Divine Realm." Talk presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Society for Biblical Literature, Chicago, November 2012.

"The Kairos of Curses: Balancing on the Brink of God's Judgment in Psalm 7 and Psalm 109." Talk for the 2012 Biennial Meeting of the Rhetoric Society of America, Philadelphia, May 2012.

"Reading Psalm 4 as Poetic Public Argument." Talk presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, San Francisco, CA, November 2011.

"Persuading God to Take Sides: The Rhetoric of Denunciation in the Individual Psalms." Talk presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Atlanta GA, November 2010.

"Establishing Ethos With an Omniscient Hearer: The Hebrew Psalms as Deliberative Argument." Talk presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Rhetoric Society of America, Minneapolis, May 2010.

"Impact of Feedback on Draft Quality: Comparing undergraduate peers to writing and content graduate student teaching assistants" Talk presented at CCCC, Louisville, 20 March 2010.

"Rhetorical Exigencies in the Individual Psalms." Talk presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies, Dallas, 12-14 March 2010.

RECENT HONORS AND AWARDS

Invited participant in the International Theology Conference at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem, February 2009.

http://www.hartman.org.il/Center_Adv/Program_View.asp?Program_Id=9

National Council of Teachers of English 2002 Award for Best Collection of Essays in Scientific and Technical Communication for guest editing Parts 1 and 2 of "Prospects for Research in Professional and Technical Communication," two special issues of *Journal of Business and Technical Communication*, July and October 2001.

SERVICE TO PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Association of Jewish Studies. Co-chair Pedagogy Division, 2023-present.

Fulbright U.S. Students Program English Teaching Assistants, National Screening Committee, 2023. Israel Post-Doc Admissions Reviewer. 2020. U.S. Scholar Program Religious Studies: World Religions Committee, 2018-19; Humanities and Arts Awards in South Asia and the Middle East History & Literature Committee, 2019-20. Graduate Admissions Reviewer, Fulbright Program, Tel Aviv Israel, February 2017.

Carnegie Mellon University English Department External Advisory Board. 2011-2012.

American Council of Learned Societies, Fellowship Review Committee, 2005-2007. Graduate Fellowship Committee, 2008. New Faculty Fellows Committee, 2009.

Rhetoric Society of America. Board of Directors, 2010-2012. Local Site Coordinator for 2004 Biennial Conference, 2002-2004. Nominating committee, 1998-99. Site Selection Committee 2005-2007. Program reviewer, 2009; 2011; 2013. Research Workshop Director, 2009. Selection Committee for Hauser Graduate Paper Award for 2010 RSA Conference. RSA Conference Panel Selection Committee, 2021

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL AND HONORARY ASSOCIATIONS

American Educational Research Association; Association for Jewish Studies; Association of Teachers of Technical Writing; Conference on College Composition and Communication; Modern Language Association; National Council of Teachers of English; Phi Beta Kappa; Rhetoric Society of America; Society for Biblical Literature; Society for Technical Communication

REVIEWING

Editorial Board: *Written Communication*; *Journal of Business and Technical Communication*

Awards Committee: Hayes Award for Best Article in *Written Communication*, member 2009; chair 2013.

Referee: *American Educational Research Journal*; *American Journal of Psychology*; *Assessing Writing*; *Cognition and Instruction*; *College Composition and Communication*; *College English*; *Composition Studies*; *English for Specific Purposes*; *Human-Computer Interaction*; *IEEE Transactions on Professional Communication*; *International Journal of Human Computer Systems*; *Journal of Business and Technical Communication*; *Journal of Educational Psychology*; *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology*; *Journal of Multicultural Discourse*; *Journal of Memory and Language*; *Memory and Cognition*; *Journal of Writing Research*; *Praxis, Research in the Teaching of English*; *Rhetoric Society Quarterly*; *Science in Context*; *Studies in Religion, Technical Communication*; *Technical Communication Quarterly*; *Text and Talk*; *Written Communication*.

Manuscript reviewer: Allyn and Bacon, Bedford Books, Computers and Composition Digital Press, Lawrence Erlbaum, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Macmillan, Methuen, McGraw-Hill, MIT Press, Oxford University Press, University of Chicago Press, University of Pittsburgh Press; Hackett Publishing

Promotion and tenure reviewer: Auburn University, Carnegie-Mellon University, University of Colorado at Denver, Emory University, University of Idaho, Iowa State University, Johns Hopkins University, Kent State, Loyola University Maryland, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth, University of Michigan, University of Memphis, New Mexico Tech, North Carolina State University, University of North Texas, Pennsylvania State University, Rutgers University-Camden, Texas A&M University, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

External Advisor for new undergraduate concentration "Cultural Studies and Liberal Arts," College of International Education, Hong Kong Baptist University, Fall 2012-14.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS CONDUCTED

Texas Extended Campus, Center for Professional Education, University of Texas at Austin. "Conflict Management" all-day workshop. "Know Your Audience" all-day workshop. 2023-present.

Human Dimensions of Organizations, University of Texas at Austin. "Managing Change-o-Phobia Up and Down the Organizational Chart" with Marcia Silverberg. Full day workshops, 2018-present.

University Writing Center, University of Texas at Austin. Workshops for graduate peer tutors on peer review and research problem statements across the disciplines; August 2016; August 2017; January 2018; Fulbright Scholars workshop on peer review, August 2018; 2019; 2021-23.

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Texas at Austin, 1997-2023

Literacy at All Ages (UGS 302)
 Rhetoric and Composition (RHE306)
 Critical Reading and Persuasive Writing (RHE309S)
 Intermediate Expository Writing (RHE310)
 Principles of Rhetoric (RHE 321)
 Advanced Expository Writing (RHE325M)
 The Psychology of Writing (RHE330E)
 Rhetoric of Popular Science (RHE330E)
 Persuasion in Biblical Times and Places (RHE330E); cross-listed with Religious Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, Jewish Studies.
 Ancient Greek and Jewish Roots of Social Justice (RHE 330D)
 Kairos and the Rhetorical Situation (RHE330D)
 Learning Processes in Reading and Writing (RHE379C)
 Proposal Writing (RHE379C)
 Disciplinary Inquiries: Rhetorical Studies (E384K)
 Relations Among Readers, Writers and Texts (E387M)
 Reading, Writing and Arguing in Academic Disciplines (E387M)
 Teaching Writing Beyond FYC: WID and WAC (E387M)
 Research Methods in Rhetoric and Composition (E387N)
 Composition Theory (E388)
 Teaching Practicum for RHE306 (E398T)

ADVISING

Graduate Thesis Committees

Andrew Booth	Ph.D. (English, UT)	On-going	
Drake Gossi	Ph.D. (English, UT)	On-going	
Tristin Hooker	Ph.D. (English, UT)	On-going	
Andrew Heermans	Ph.D. (English, UT)	On-going	Director
Sierra Mendez	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2022	
Zachary Sharp	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2020	Director
Scott Nelson	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2015	

Amanda Wall	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2015	
Hedegren, Mary	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2015	Director
Fabiana Sacchi	Ph.D. (Foreign Language Ed, UT)	2014	
Megan Little	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2013	Co-director
Hoonmil Kim	Ph.D. (Foreign Language Ed, UT)	2012	Co-director
Doug Coulson	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2012	
Michelle Neely	Ph.D. (Educational Psychology, UT)	2009	
Lee Given	Ph.D. (Foreign Language Ed, UT)	2007	
James Warren	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2006	Director
Jennifer Hollings	Ph.D. (Foreign Language Ed, UT)	2004	Co-director
Cheryl Harris	Ph.D. (Educational Psychology, UT)	2003	
Laura Wilder	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2003	Director
Lynda Olman Walsh	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2003	Director
Victoria Cobb	Ph.D. (Educational Psychology, UT)	2002	
Minhua Liu	Ph.D. (Foreign Language Ed, UT)	2001	
Susan Regli	Ph.D. (Rhetoric, Carnegie Mellon)	2000	
Joanna Wolfe	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2000	Director
Michael Erard	Ph.D. (English, UT)	2000	
Summer Smith	Ph.D. (English, PSU)	2000	Director
Janet Chu Hsi-Chin	Ph.D. (Foreign Language Ed, UT)	1999	
Danette Paul	Ph.D. (English, PSU)	1995	Director
Melinda Carey	Ph.D. (Psychology, PSU)	1996	
Linda Hoover	Ph.D. (Curriculum & Instruct, PSU)	1992	
Melissa Holland	Ph.D. (Psychology, PSU)	1987	
Andrew Heermans	M.A. (English)	On-going	Chair
Zachary Sharp	M.A. (English)	2015	Reader
Benjamin McIntosh	M.A. (English)	2015	Reader
Laura Beerits	M.A. (English)	2011	Chair
Nathan Kreuter	M.A. (English)	2006	Chair
Julia Maffei	M.A. (Foreign Language Ed., UT)	2005	Chair
Sylvia Gale	M.A. (English)	2004	Chair

Human Dimensions of Organizations, COLA Master's Program

Suzie Heap, 2020, Co-Supervisor
 Jacquelyn Klein-Brown, Reader
 Emily Perryman, 2020, Reader
 Adriana Merlo, 2020, Reader
 Mandy Turnbaugh, 2020, Reader
 Rodney Gaither, 2019, Supervisor
 Thaïs Bass-Moore, 2018, Supervisor
 Rachel Rhodes, 2018, Supervisor
 Shannon Johnson, 2016-17.

Undergraduate Projects

Saffie Kaplan	Jewish Studies	2023	Director
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Trinity Smith	Bridging Disciplines	2022	Advisor
Sophie Brenner	Liberal Arts Honors Thesis	2022	Director
Keith McBray	Plan II Honors Thesis	2020	Director
Danielle Drews	English Honors Thesis	2020	Director
Emily Vernon	Honors Thesis	2019	Director
Kylie Kopp	Honors Thesis	2019	Director
Emma Tran	Independent Research	2012	Director
Greta Ralston	Honors Thesis	2011	Member
Daniel Pino	Independent Research	2011	Director

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE COMMITTEES

University of Texas at Austin

Writing Flag Committee, 2017-2018; Sp2022; Writing Flag Persuasive Essay Final Award Committee, Spring 2022.

C-11 Research Policy Committee, 2015-2018

COLA Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2016-2018; 2020-22

Co-op/Mitchell Student Awards for Academic Excellence Selection Committee, 2016; 2018; 2019; 2020; 2021; 2022

Graduate School Outstanding Dissertation Award for Social Sciences, Business and Education Selection Committee 2020

Graduate Continuing Fellows Selection Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2014.

Faculty Evaluation Board for the Senate of College Council's Undergraduate Research Grant, Spring 2012

Academic Planning Advisory Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2009-2012.

University Co-operative Society's Research Excellence Awards, 2010. Selected Career Excellence and Best Article Finalists.

Promotion and Tenure Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2002-2004.

Writing Initiative Planning Committee, College of Liberal Arts, Chair, Summer 2003.

Faculty Council Grievance Panel, 2002-2003

Dean's Research Excellence Award Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 1999, 2000.

Executive Budget Council, College of Liberal Arts, 2005.

Institutional Review Board, 2002-2005.

Departmental Committees

University of Texas at Austin: Rhetoric and Writing

Executive Committee, Department of Rhetoric and Writing, 2011-2013; 2015-2017; 2018-19

Extended Budget Council, Department of Rhetoric and Writing, 1997-2010; 2020-2023.

RHE 306 Steering Committee, DRW, 1997-98, 2000-2008.

Assessment Director, DRW. 2000-2003. Major Assessment Planning Committee, 2008-2010. UGS Core Curriculum Assessment of RHE 306 Planning Committee 2017-18

Institutional Review Board, Departmental Review Committee, Chair, 1999-2005.

Committee on the Major, DRW, 2013-, Interim Chair, Fall 2013; Chair 2018-19

Upper Division Course Steering Committee, DRW, 1998-99.

DRW Website Committee, Chair, 1998-2000.

Search Committees, DRW, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2019 (member), 2020 (member)

DRW Chair Review Committee, appointed by Dean Randy Diehl. Chair, 2013.

Promotion Review Committees. Patricia Roberts-Miller, Chair, 2009. Diane Davis, Chair, 2011. Clay Spinuzzi, Chair, 2012. Scott Graham, Chair, 2020.

Post-Tenure Review Committees. Diane Davis and Linda Ferreira-Buckley, Chair. 2010. John Ruskiewicz, Chair, 2008. Lester Faigley, Chair, 2013. Clay Spinuzzi, Chair 2019.

Kinneavy Prize for Graduate Essay on Rhetoric & Composition, Chair 1997-2001, Selection Committee 2010, Chair 2012; 2015.

Trimble Prize for Undergraduate Writing Selection Committee; 2015.

Awards Committee 2020.

University of Texas at Austin: Schusterman Center for Jewish Studies

Executive Committee, 2017-18; Search committee for Center Director, 2020; working group on graduate studies, 2020

Graduate Fellowship Selection Committee, Spring, 2023; Spring 2022; Fall 2022

Rappaport Fellowship Selection Committee, Spring 2022

University of Texas at Austin: English

Post-doc Lecturer Selection Committee, 2020

Internal Review Committee, English Department, 2014-2016

Graduate Admissions Committee, English Department, 1998-1999, 2000-2003; Reader 2003-2005; Rhetoric Concentration Admissions, 2005-2014.

Graduate Placement Committee, English Department, Member 1999-2000, Chair 2001-2002.

Graduate Policy Committee, English Department, 1997-2003; 2009-2011; 2015-2018.

Graduate Qualifying Exam Committee, English Department, 2005-2007.

Dissertation Awards Committee, English Department, Chair, 2003-2009.

Graduate Advisor for Graduate Rhetoric Concentration, 2005-2014; 2017-2019; 2020-2023