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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Rutgers University, English. May 2015.

Dissertation: *Someplace Else: The Eighteenth-Century History and Cognitive Science of Literary Transportation*.

Certificate in Cognitive Science, Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science. May 2015.

M.A., New York University, Humanities and Social Thought. May 2007.

B.A., Yale University, Philosophy. May 2001.

EMPLOYMENT

2017-present Assistant Professor of English, University of Louisiana at Monroe.

2015-2016 Visiting Assistant Professor of English, University of Colorado Colorado Springs.

2014-2015 Instructor, Rutgers University Writing Program.

PUBLICATIONS

Essays

"Ode to a Nightingale: Poetry and the Particularity of Sense." *European Romantic Review* 30.5/6 (2019) (Forthcoming).

"Recentring The Sublime: Cognitive and Neuroaesthetic Approaches." *Contemporary Visual Culture and the Sublime*. Temenuga Trifonova, Ed. Routledge, 2017: 143-155.

"'Snatched' into *The Seasons*: The Cognitive Roots of Loco-descriptive Form." *The Eighteenth Century: Theory and Interpretation* 56:4 (2015): 445-466.

Conference Proceedings

Introduction, "*Science Fiction, Fictions in Science*": *Selections from the Rutgers University Conference*. Co-authored with Erin Kelly and Michael Hicks. *Exit 9: The Rutgers Journal of Comparative Literature* 11 (2013): 1-6.

Fiction

"Into The Wreck" (as June Oldfather). *Strange Horizons*, 22 February 2016: n.p.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2019-present	L.M. McKneely Endowed Professorship in English, ULM.
2017 Fall	Faculty Research Hub Mini Grant, ULM.
2016 Spring	Kassakian Award, Rutgers.
2013-2014	Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Rutgers.
2011 Fall	Blum Teaching Assistantship, Rutgers.
2011-2012, 2007-2008	Graduate School Fellowship, Rutgers.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- "Cognition and Literary Agency." *A Literature That Thinks: On The Agency of Literary Objects*. Modern Language Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA, January 2017.
- "'Negative Capability' and the Neuroscience of Mental Travel." International Conference on Romanticism. Oakland University, MI, September 2013.
- "Thomson's Raptured Eye." American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies Annual Meeting. San Antonio, TX, 2012.
- "Literature Amid the Propositionalists." Science and Method in the Humanities. Graduate Conference, Rutgers University, March 2012.

PUBLIC & ON-CAMPUS LECTURES

- "Frankenmothering." Ouachita Public Library Main Branch, Monroe, LA, 21 October 2019.
- "Making Shakespeare: Imagination on the Eighteenth-Century Stage." *The Past, Present, and Future of the Premodern World* (ULM Lecture Series), 17 September 2018.

TEACHING

Specialist Courses (Long Eighteenth Century, Romantic, Cognitive Theory)

- "Austen and Adaptation." ULM, Fall 2019.
- "Romanticism and the Politics of Feeling." ULM, Fall 2018.
- "The Romantic Imagination" (Graduate Seminar). ULM, Spring 2018.
- "The Unstable Novel" (18th Century Novel). ULM, Fall 2017.
- 17th and 18th Century British literature. UCCS, Spring 2016.
- "Transport" (Senior Seminar). UCCS, Fall 2015.
- The Eighteenth Century British Novel (TA). Rutgers, Fall 2011.
- "Inside and Out": Issues and Problems in Eighteenth Century Literature. Rutgers, Spring 2010.

Surveys & Other Literature Courses (Selected)

- American Literature I (Beginnings to 1850). ULM, Spring 2017-present (numerous).
- British Literature II (1800 to present). ULM, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019.
- Literary Criticism. ULM, Fall 2018.
- Science Fiction (Instructor of Record). Rutgers, Summer 2012.
- British Literature to 1800 (TA). Rutgers, Fall 2012.

Rhetoric and Composition

Composition 1002. ULM, Spring 2017, Spring 2019.

Advanced Rhetoric & Writing. UCCS, Fall 2015, Spring 2016.

Research in the Disciplines: Science, Medicine, and Society. Rutgers, Spring 2015, Fall 2014.

Expository Writing (101). Rutgers, Fall 2009-Spring 2015 (numerous.)

Basic Composition (Developmental). Rutgers, Fall 2010, Fall 2014.

SERVICE

National

MLA Forum Executive Committee Member, *TC: Cognitive and Affect Studies*, 2019-present.

University: Advising and Leadership Roles

Coordinator, The Write Place (university writing center), ULM, 2019-present.

Faculty Sponsor of Sigma Tau Delta (English Honor Society), ULM, Fall 2017-Fall 2019.

Student Advisor, ULM, Spring 2017-present.

President, "Natura" (Graduate Working Group), Rutgers, 2012-2013.

University Committees

English Curriculum Committee, ULM, Fall 2019-present.

Faculty Senate, ULM, Fall 2018-present.

Electronic Learning Committee, ULM, Fall 2018-present.

English Graduate Committee, ULM, Fall 2017-present.

Event Organization and Editorial

Founder / Organizer of "ULM Writes" initiative, ULM, Fall 2018-present.

Graduate Assistant, *Milton and the Long Restoration* (professional conference), Rutgers, April 2013.

Co-editor of special issue of *Exit 9: The Rutgers Journal of Comparative Literature* (conference proceedings of *Science Fiction, Fictions in Science*), Rutgers, April 2013.

Organizer, *Science Fiction, Fictions in Science* (graduate conference), Rutgers, March 2013.

Co-organizer, *Science and Method in the Humanities* (graduate conference), Rutgers, March 2012.

Community

After-school tutor (K-12) at 826NYC, Brooklyn, NY, 2013-2014.

LANGUAGES

French (proficient); German (reading)

MEMBERSHIPS

Modern Language Association

International Society for the Empirical Study of Literature

American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies

Renaissance Society of America

Sigma Tau Delta