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EDUCATION

PhD Candidate in English Literature, University of Iowa (expected graduation in May 2017)
MA in English Literature and Theory, University of Kansas (May 2012)
BA English Literature, University of Kansas (May 2009)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Obermann Graduate Fellow, University of Iowa – 2015
Susan Morgan Graduate Student Essay Prize, Honorable Mention, Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies (INCS) Annual Conference – 2014
Rhodes Scholarship Nominee – 2008
Marshall Scholarship Nominee – 2008

SCHOLARSHIP

Publications

“Birth and Artistic Life: the Maternal Figure in *Aurora Leigh*.” *Ecloga: A Journal of English Studies*. 10 (Spring 2012).

Reviews

Rev. of *Ecopoetics*, by Scott Knickerbocker. *The Journal of Ecocriticism: a New Journal of Nature, Society and Literature*. 5.4 (2013). Web.

Presentations

- “The Boundaries of Personhood in Toxic Urban Spaces.” 2nd Annual UIowa Graduate Student Conference. World Languages Graduate Student Organization. Iowa City, IA. April 2014.
- “The Garden, the Utopia, and the Negotiation: Finding Environmental and Social Justice in William Morris’s *News from Nowhere*,” Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies Annual Conference. University of Houston, March 2014.
- “The New Woman’s Environmental Ethic: An Ecocritical Reading of Charlotte Mew’s ‘The Trees Are Down,’” Craft, Critique, and Culture Conference. University of Iowa. March 2013.
- “The Gothic Void of Nature in Ann Radcliffe’s *The Romance of the Forest*,” Jakobsen Conference. University of Iowa. April 2013.
- “Slow Violence of the Everyday in *Dombey and Son*.” Regional Graduate Student Literature Conference. Kansas State University. April 2012.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Positions Held

Professional Development Practicum Co-leader. Department of Rhetoric, University of Iowa.
Teaching Assistant for Dr. Rebecca Blair. August 2014 – present.
Introduction to Rhetoric: the Art of Persuasion. Department of Rhetoric, University of Iowa. Fall 2013 - Spring 2014.
Introduction to the English Major. Teaching Assistant for Dr. Claire Sponsler and Dr. Matthew Brown. Department of English, University of Iowa. Fall 2012 - Spring 2013.
Introduction to Fiction. Department of English, University of Kansas (KU). Spring 2012.
Topics in Environmental Trauma. Department of English, KU. Fall 2011.
Critical Reading & Writing Skills. Department of English, KU. Spring 2010 - 2011.
Composition & Rhetoric. Department of English, KU. Fall 2009, summer 2011.
Basic Research Skills. Libraries Instruction Department, KU. June 2010 – June 2012

Workshops

“Designing the Digital Future: A Human-centered Approach to Informatics.” Obermann Center for Advanced Studies, University of Iowa – November 7-8, 2014.
“Where’s the Learning in Experiential Learning?” Patti H. Clayton. Center for Teaching, University of Iowa – March 12, 2014
"Professional Development Program: Pre-Semester Workshop for New Rhetoric Teachers."
Megan Knight. UI Department of Rhetoric, University of Iowa - August 2013.
"Professional Development Program: Pre-Semester Workshop for New Rhetoric Teachers."
Naomi Greyser. UI Department of Rhetoric, University of Iowa - August 2014.

MEMBERSHIPS

Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies, Fall 2013 – present
Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment – Fall 2012 – present
Member of AGSE (UI Association of Graduate Students in English) – Fall 2012 – present
Social Outreach Coordinator for AGSE - Fall 2014 - present
University of Kansas English Department Graduate Committee – Fall 2011
University of Kansas English Department Undergraduate Committee – 2008-2009
Member of University of Kansas Honors Program – 2006-2009
Member of Mortar Board – April 2008-2009
Member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society – December 2008-2009

REFERENCES

Academic Advisor

Dr. Florence Boos, Department of English

Teaching Advisor

Dr. Lauren Cameron, Department of Rhetoric