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Education:

M. B. A., Business Administration, 2015 *Kennesaw State University*  
*Kennesaw, Georgia*

M.A., English, 2006 *University of West Georgia*  
*Carrollton, Georgia*

† Thesis: “The Threat from Within: Victorian Transgression and the Death of the Father in P. D. James’s *Death in Holy Orders*.”

Primary Advisor: Dr. Debra MacComb

Committee Members: Dr. Robert L. Snyder and Dr. David Newton

B.A., English, 2003 *University of West Georgia*  
*Carrollton, Georgia*

† Magna Cum Laude graduate with a minor in History

Business Experience:

1991 to 2001 • Carrollton, GA

King’s Chapel Presbyterian

Financial Administrator: Responsible for all accounts payable, tax liabilities, payroll, interviewing and hiring hourly personnel and general non-profit operation.

1977 to 1987 • San Bernardino, San Dimas, and Anaheim, CA

Levitz Furniture

Store Manager: Responsible for all aspects of business development, including store and personnel reorganization, initiation of marketing plans, training and managing sales force, office, maintenance, and warehouse personnel, resolving and developing of long and short term budgets.

Logistical Buyer: Responsible for selection, purchase, and display of merchandise, establishment of pricing, profitability, and liquidation of assets.

Teaching Experience (2007-present):

*University of West Georgia*  
*Carrollton, Georgia*

*Courses Taught (multiple sections of each):*

Freshman English 1101, Readings and Composition (General)

Freshman English 1101, Readings and Composition (Business Learning Community)

Freshman English 1101, Readings and Composition (STEM Learning Community)

Freshman English 1102, Readings and Composition (General)

Freshman English 1102, Readings and Composition (Business Learning Community)

Freshman English 1102, Readings and Composition (STEM Learning Community)

Interdisciplinary Course: XIDS 2100 Myth & Religion (Arts & Ideas)

Interdisciplinary Course: XIDS 2100 Detective Fiction (Arts & Ideas)

English 2120, British Literature (Survey)  
English 3405, Professional and Technical Writing

Presentations and Panels:

November 2011 • Presenter: “I Do Not Like *Green Eggs and Ham*”: Introducing the Aesthetic Pleasures of Poetry in the Composition Classroom, Atlanta, Georgia, SAMLA 83rd Annual Convention.

November 2011 • Panel Chair: “Digging Down and Down”: Excavating Poetry’s Techno-Cultural Significance in the Freshman Composition Classroom and Beyond, Atlanta, Georgia, SAMLA 83rd Annual Convention.

April 2011 • Presenter: “Poetry Matters: Recovering Poetry’s Cultural Significance in the Freshman Composition Classroom and Beyond,” Gordon College, Teaching Matters Conference, 2011.

March 2010 • Presenter: “From the Proverb to the Propositional: Keeping to the Old Paths in Classical Rhetoric with the Modern Student,” Gordon College, Teaching Matters Conference, 2010.

April 2008 • Panel Chair: “Good ‘Boys,’ Bad Girls, and White Patriarchy in the American ‘Race’ Film.” University of West Georgia’s English Department’s Undergraduate Conference.

April 2006 • Panel Chair: “Twentieth Century ‘Realities,’” University of West Georgia’s English Department’s first annual Undergraduate Conference.

October 2003 • Presenter: “A Mother is only as Happy as Her Saddest Child: Mothers, Daughters, and Metafiction in Carol Shields’s *Unless*,” West Virginia University, Twenty-Ninth Annual Colloquium on Literature and Film.

Work-in-Progress:

Early ecology and the Fisher King vision of William Kittredge in selected essays of *Owning it All* (conference paper: Texas Tech University’s Sowell Collection in Literature, History, and the Natural World Conference)

Professional Honors & Awards:

Recipient of Texas Tech University’s Special Collections/ Southwest Collection Formby Research Fellowship. In residence: May 2013.

Martha Saunders Excellence in Teaching First-Year Writing Award, Spring 2009

Four Member Student Panel Accepted for Presentation at UWG’s English Department’s Spring 2009 Undergraduate Conference: “First Year Writing: The Study of Poverty”

Three Member Student Panel Accepted for Presentation at UWG’s English Department’s Spring 2008 Undergraduate Conference: “First Year Writing: Poetry”

Institution and Department Service

Fall 2012-Fall 2015: Member of University of West Georgia’s Admission Appeals Committee

- Evaluated student appeals packets
- Deliberated on decisions relative to admissions appeal process
- Assessed student performance data

Fall 2014-Spring 2015: Member of university's Quality Enhancement Plan's sub-committee, First-Year Writing Course: WOLF

- Created, designed, and implemented introductory online course for incoming first-year students, consisting of three modules

Fall 2010: Mentor of Graduate Teaching Fellow in English Department's Graduate Program

- Guide teaching fellow through multiple teaching exercises in order to obtain stated learning outcomes
- Direct teaching fellow into rhetorical analysis of grading and responding to student writing projects: out-of-class essays, in-class short assignments, and other pertinent writing coursework
- Instruct teaching fellow in multiple approaches to tutoring students individually
- Supervise teaching fellow in administrative responsibilities
- Evaluate assigned teaching fellow's classroom instruction, communication, and inter-personal skills

Fall 2008-Spring 2015: Member of English Department's First Year Writing Committee

- Charged with advising and serving to ensure effective implementation of the First Year Writing Committee's responsibilities as outlined on its Mission Statement
- Instrumental in selection of shared texts for English Department's First Year Writing Program

Fall 2008: Faculty Volunteer for New Student Information/Assistance Stations

Fall 2007-Spring 2008: Member of English Department's Events Committee

- Assisted in establishing and inaugurating the Patricia Reinhard Faculty Works Gallery in the University Writing Center

#### Professional Development

Spring 2013-Fall 2015: Enrolled in Kennesaw State University's Coles College of Business' M. B. A. program

Spring 2009: Promoted to Lecturer, Department of English & Philosophy, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia.

Spring 2007 – present: Attendance at ongoing FYW instructional workshops, examples include: ESL dynamics in the classroom, *A Writer's Resource* Composition Connect technology training, teaching paragraph development, writing effective assignments, etc.

#### Membership Associations:

Beta Gamma Sigma, International Honor Society, Business

Omicron Delta Kappa, National Collegiate Leadership Honor Society

Phi Kappa Phi, National Honor Society

#### References:

Available upon request