# Katherine B. Rigsby

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#### **EDUCATION**

Clemson University, Clemson, SC

PhD Student in Rhetorics, Communication, and Information Design (RCID) 2021-Present

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL

# Master of Arts in Corporate and Public Communication

December 2004

Thesis: "Audience Perceptions of the Ethicality and Acceptability of Street Level Viral Marketing"

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL

## **Bachelor of Arts in Communication**

**July 2002** 

Major Concentration: Public Relations Minor Concentration: International Studies

#### TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL International Studies Program

#### Academic Advisor

**January 2020-July 2021** 

Provided academic advising, guidance and support for 50+ International Studies majors by planning schedules, recommending resources, and processing transient credit approval forms for study abroad.

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL Department of Communication

### **Dual Enrollment Instructor**

August 2020-Present

Teach introduction to communication to students enrolled in Mobile County Public School System through the Start South Dual Enrollment Program.

Senior Instructor August 2017-Present

Teach courses in communication studies including intro to communication, basic public speaking, honors public speaking, argumentation, interpersonal communication, rhetoric, culture & society, small group communication, intercultural communication. Advise undergraduate students.

# **Instructor**

August 2010-August 2017

Taught courses in communication studies including intro to communication, basic public speaking, honors public speaking, argumentation, interpersonal communication, small group communication. Supervised two graduate teaching assistants who were assigned to me each semester. Advised undergraduate students.

## **Instructor and Co-Course Director**

# January 2005-August 2010

Taught courses in communication studies including intro to communication, basic public speaking, honors public speaking argumentation, interpersonal communication, small group communication, and directed study. Served as Co-Course Director for the public speaking program. Supervised and trained 10 Graduate Teaching Assistants per semester. Advised undergraduate students. Served as Faculty Advisor to three different student organizations.

# **Adjunct Instructor**

# August 2004-December 2004

Taught courses in communication studies including basic public speaking, argumentation, and small group communication. Served as Interim Co-Course Director for the public speaking program. Supervised and trained 10 Graduate Teaching Assistants.

# **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

## **January 2003-May 2004**

Collaborated on curriculum and exam development for basic public speaking course. Listened to and evaluated speeches. Graded all assignments and determined final grades.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

America's Junior Miss (now Distinguished Young Women), Mobile, AL

### **Public Relations Intern**

2001

Created and maintained scrapbook of press clippings. Wrote press releases. Developed PowerPoint presentation to be accessed by employees on the AJM website. Assisted with various tasks as needed.

#### RELATED EXPERIENCE

Academic Consulting/Textbook Reviews

McGraw-Hill

### **Board of Advisors, New Product Development**

2019

Pearson/Longman Publishing

Reviewer, Good Reasons with Contemporary Arguments, 5e.

2010

Allyn & Bacon Publishing

Faculty Advisory Board, The DK Guide to Public Speaking.

2009-2010

#### LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

USA Graduate Medical Education Program Coordinators' Retreat, "Developing Organizational Skills."

University of South Alabama Center for Healthy Communities Saturday Academies, "Competence in Communication."

Guest Lecturer for Ms. Stephanie Gillis, CAS 100, New Student Seminar, "The Gift Of Speech."

Guest Lecturer for Ms. Stephanie Gillis, CAS 100, New Student Seminar, "Professional Presentations."

Guest Lecturer for Ms. Yolande Sims, CAS 100, New Student Seminar, "Better Public Speaking." Petal Brown Bag Lunch, "Teaching with Facebook."

Guest Lecturer for Dr. Elizabeth Kennedy, AHP 101, New Student Seminar In Allied Health: "Public Speaking Tips."

University of South Alabama Center for Healthy Communities Saturday Academies, "Propriety In Society."

University of South Alabama Center for Healthy Communities Saturday Academies, "Competence in Communication."

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#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Alabama Communication Association

GIFTS Presentation: I Lost on Jeopardy! Using a Popular Quiz Show to

**July 2012** 

**Prepare Students for Exams** 

# ACADEMIC SERVICE

Event Organizer for Communication Day

Bay Area Food Bank Student Vs. Faculty Canned Food Drive Volunteer

Move-In Day Volunteer

JagFest Volunteer

Southbound Orientation Volunteer

USA College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Final Grade Grievance Committee

USA College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Academic Standards Committee

USA College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Scholarships Committee

USA College of Arts and Sciences Diversity Committee

USA College of Arts and Sciences Gender Studies Committee

Faculty Advisor for Communication Student Association

Faculty Advisor for Honors Program Organization

Faculty Advisor for USA Toastmasters Club

Faculty Advisor for The Public Relations Student Society

Departmental Representative for Annual Fund

Departmental Representative for USA Day

Departmental Representative for Get Acquainted Day

USA Department of Communication Committee Assignments: Alumni, Events, Public

Relations, Advising, Curriculum, Diversity, Planning and Promotion, Peer Evaluation,

Facilities, Undergraduate Studies, Academic Standards, High School Public Speaking Contest

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Optimist Club Zone Oratorical Speech Contest	2019
Mary G. Montgomery High School Speech Contest Judge	2014
E.R. Dickson Elementary School Reading Assistant	2008-2009
Make-A-Wish Foundation Wish Granter	2007-2009

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Certificate of Appreciation, Faculty Advisor, Toastmasters International	2007
Inez Kaiser Award; Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication	2004

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

Common Ground Research Networks: Global Studies