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PROFILE

Multifaceted Ph.D. with extensive experience in higher education, research, student advising, and transgender studies. Completed a book-length research project on transgender culture. Published six essays with high profile publishers, including a chapter of *Trans Bodies, Trans Selves: A Resource for the Transgender Community* (Oxford University Press, 2014). Founded the Trans* Initiative at Florida Atlantic University, which spearheaded a successful campaign to make the university's public restrooms more accessible. Delivered a workshop that culminated in the passage of Florida NOW's first explicitly pro-transgender resolution. Proven success organizing and overseeing multiday international conferences as well as events. Expertise in LGBTQ competence and education. *Strengths and core competencies include the following:*

- √ Budget Management
- ✓ Event Planning
- ✓ Lecturing & Instruction
- ✓ LGBTQ Competence & Education
- ✓ Multicultural Education

- ✓ Research & Publications
- √ Student Development & Academic Advising
- √ Training & Development
- ✓ Transgender Studies
- ✓ University Course Learning Assessment

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Visiting Lecturer - Georgia State University, Atlanta (Aug. 2015-Present)

- Instructed up to 160 undergraduate and graduate students per semester.
- Updated the syllabus for Introduction to Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies as well as Transgender Studies.
- Designed the syllabus for Gender, Sexuality, and Screen Cultures.

Freelance Writer and Editor (Sept. 2007–Dec. 2015)

- Wrote press releases.
- Edited scholarly writing for publication.

Research Assistant – Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton (Aug. 2014–Aug. 2015)

- Researched marginalized sexualities in the Hispanic world.
- Copyedited manuscripts for publication.
- Planned and executed successful events.
- Designed and maintained Web pages.
- Promoted programs and events by designing flyers and leading community outreach initiatives.

Writing Consultant - Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton (Aug. 2012-Aug. 2015)

- Supported clients' academic development by consulting on academic research, reading, and writing.
- Advised clients on professional development and career services.
- Tutored clients in English grammar as well as MLA, APA, and Chicago styles.

Instructor - Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton (Mar. 2015-May 2015)

- Instructed 20 non-traditional students.
- Designed the syllabus for Transgender Politics and Screen Cultures.

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Lynn-Wold-Schmidt Peace Studies Fellow — Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton (Aug. 2013—July 2014)

- Researched ethnic conflict curriculum.
- Participated in event planning and promotional activities.
- Reviewed proposals.

Additional Experience

Adjunct Instructor – Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton (June 2010–Dec. 2011)

Teaching Assistant – Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton (Aug. 2008–May 2011)

Reader – Union Theological Seminary, New York, NY (Feb. 2008–May 2008)

Clerk – Union Theological Seminary, New York, NY (Aug. 2007–Jan. 2008)

Manager – Augsburg Fortress Bookstore, New York, NY (Mar. 2007–July 2007)

Salesclerk – Augsburg Fortress Bookstore, New York, NY (Sept. 2006–Mar. 2007)

Fundraising Associate – Union Theological Seminary, New York, NY (May 2006–Jan. 2007)

Administrative Assistant – The Riverside Church, New York, NY (Sept. 2005–Apr. 2006)

Manager – Ferlito's Farm Stand, Oswego, NY (May 2005–Aug. 2005)

Freelance Construction Helper (Jan. 2005–Apr. 2005)

Freelance Property Maintenance Worker (May 2004–Dec. 2004)

Administrative Assistant – Barristers Abstract Corporation, East Northport, NY (May 2003–Aug. 2003)

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

Ph.D., Comparative Studies [Public Intellectuals Program; Feminism, Gender, and Sexuality Concentration] (2015)

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL

M.A., Ecumenical Studies [Studies in Interfaith Dialogue] (2008)

Union Theological Seminary, New York, NY

B.A., Communication (2004)

Grove City College, Grove City, PA

Certificates

Master Certified Tutor, College Reading and Learning Association (2013)

Safe Zone Ally, FAU (2010)

Graduate Certificate, Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, FAU (2009)

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Faculty Advisor, Intersectionality Club, GSU (Apr. 2016–Present)

Founding Coordinator, Trans* Initiative, FAU (Mar. 2014–Aug. 2015)

Board Member, Palm Beach County Human Rights Council (Mar. 2011–Aug. 2015)

Treasurer/Member, Feminist Graduate Student Association, FAU (Aug. 2008–Aug. 2015)

Conference Planning Coordinator, Transecting Society Conference (Apr. 2012–Apr. 2014)

Volunteer, LGBTQA Resource Center, FAU (Jan. 2011–Dec. 2012)

Member, University-Wide LGBTQA Task Force, FAU (Apr. 2010–Nov. 2010)