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EDUCATION

- **Ph.D.** Communication Studies
University of Denver, Denver, Colorado, June 2011
Specializations: Interpersonal and Family Communication
Cultural Communication (cognate)
Quantitative Research Methods
Dissertation title: *Parented Emotion: A Study of Adult-children's Emotion Socialization and Family Communication Patterns*
Committee: Dr. Mary Claire Morr-Serewicz (Advisor)
Dr. Elizabeth Suter
Dr. Erin Willer
Dr. Kathy Green (Defense Chair)
- **Master of Arts** Interdisciplinary Study; Communication and English
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas, August 2005.
Specializations: Media Criticism
Discourse Analysis
Thesis title: *Teaching Composition and Public Speaking: An Interdisciplinary Review of Current Pedagogies*
Committee: Dr. Alan Hansen (Chair)
Dr. Diana Ivy
Dr. Mary Beth Davis
- **Bachelor of Arts** Communication and Spanish, with Biology Minor
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, May 2001.

PRIMARY RESEARCH INTERESTS (Quantitative and Qualitative)

- Emotion within Family Contexts
- Parenting
- Families in Crisis
- Closeness amongst Friendships and Siblings
- Cognitive bases of relationships and their influence on interpersonal and/or family communication

OTHER RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Communication across life-stages
- Conflict within interpersonal and family contexts

PRIMARY TEACHING INTERESTS

- Family Communication
- Communication Theory
- Interpersonal Communication
- Cultural Communication
- Gender Communication
- Quantitative Research Methods
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Parenting
- Ethical Communication
- Business and Professional Communication

COURSES TAUGHT

- *Sports Communication* – Spring 2012
- *Speech Composition and Presentation* – Spring 2004-Spring 2011
- *Small-Group Communication* (Graduate, Web-based) – Fall 2012
- *Small-Group Communication* – Spring 2006, Spring 2007, Summer I 2012
- *Persuasive Communication* – Summer I 2006
- *Latinos and the Media* – Summer II 2006
- *Introduction to Speech Communication for the First-Year Experience* – Fall 2006
- *Interpersonal Communication* (Graduate, Web-based) – Fall 2011
- *Intercultural Communication* – Fall 2005, Fall 2010
- *Gender Communication* – Spring 2007, Fall 2011
- *Family in Film* – Summer II 2011
- *Family Communication* – Spring 2011
- *Communication Theory* – Fall 2005
- *Comm. in Human Relationships* (Advanced Interpersonal) – Spring 2006, Spring 2011
- *Communication in Business and Professions* – Spring 2012

EXPERIENCE

- **Assistant Professor of Communication**, Department of Fine Arts and Communication, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX, Fall 2010-present.
- **Visiting Instructor of Communication**, Department of Fine Arts and Communication, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX, Fall 2005-Spring 2007.
- **Adjunct Instructor**, Public Speaking 1315.17, Department of Communication and Theater, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Fall 2004-Spring 2005.
- **Adjunct Instructor**, Speech 1315.501, Department of Communication, Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, TX, Fall 2004.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Public Speaking, Department of Communication and Theater, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Spring 2003-Spring 2004.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/OTHER PAPERS

- **Western States Communication Association**, (WSCA), Mesa, Arizona, 2/13/09-2/17/09.
Paper Presented:
Dickson, F.C., Baldwin, K. T., Borowsky, J., Corti, J. K., Johnson, D., Lawrence, L., and Velasco, J. (2009). *Challenges Associated with Parenting among Families that are Homeless*.
- **Southern States Communication Association**, (SSCA), Dallas, Texas, 4/5/06-4/9/06.
Panel Presentation, Mass Communication Division: “*Cultural and Interdisciplinary Aspects of Radio Theatre*”
- **Texas Speech Communication Association Conference** (TSCA), Corpus Christi, Texas, 10/8/03-10/11/03.
Paper Presented: “*War, Violence, and Discourse: Two Studies of a Football Broadcast.*”

BOOK CHAPTER

- Dickson, F. C., Baldwin, T., Borowsky, J., Corti, J.K., Johnson, D., Lawrence, L., & Velasco, J. (2012). Communication challenges of parenting in homeless families. In Dickson, F.C. & Webb, L.M. (Eds.), *Communication for families in crisis: Theories, research, strategies* (pp. 337-360). New York: Peter Lang.

OTHER TRAINING

- **Critical Thinking Seminar**, Dr. Bonnie Warnock, Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP), 3/2/12.
- “**Emotional Intelligence: Assessing Individual and Group E.Q.**,” Eleazar Cano, Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP), 2/10/12.
- “**Social Media at the Campus Level with an Academic Benefit**,” Brandy Snyder, Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP), 11/18/11.
- “**Outdoor, Interactive and Real-World Learning/Projects**,” Brad Butler, Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP), 9/23/11.
- **National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Conference: Creating a Campus Culture for Student Persistence: Academic Advising as Teaching and Learning Seminar**, San Diego, CA, 2/13/12-2/14/2012.
- **Academic Advisor Training**: Instruction on Banner software and the Texas Success Initiative (TSI), Lobo Den (Title V program), 9/15/2011.
- **Advanced Connections: Quality Service Training Program for Faculty and Staff**, Sul Ross State University, 02/2006.
- **Connections: Quality Service Training Program for Faculty and Staff**, Sul Ross State University, 11/2005.

- **Freshman Seminar Leader Training**, First-Year Program, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, 5/2004-8/2004.
- **StrengthsQuest Training**, First-Year Program, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, 7/13/04.

SPECIAL RESEARCH/TEACHING SKILLS

- **Fluency in Spanish** (Speaking and Writing)

AFFILIATIONS

- **Member, National Communication Association (NCA)**
- **Member, Southern States Communication Association (SSCA)**
- **Member, Western States Communication Association (WSCA)**
- **Member, National Academic Advising Association (NACADA)**

COMMITTEE WORK

- **Chair, Special Committee on Student Evaluations**, Faculty Assembly, Sul Ross State University, 2/6/12-present.
- **Title V-Learning Communities Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 1/27/2012-present.
- **Title V-Advising & Mentoring Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 1/26/2012-present.
- **Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Faculty Seminars**, Sul Ross State University, 08/10-present
- **Mexican-American Advisory Board**, Sul Ross State University, 09/06-05/07.
- **Focus on Excellence Work Group**, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, 08/04-05/05.

ADVISORY ROLES

- **Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, Faculty Advisor**, Sul Ross State University, 08/28/11-present, advised three undergraduate student research projects to-date.
- **Ultimate Frisbee Club Faculty Advisor**, Sul Ross State University, 09/05-05/07; 8/10-present.
- **Assistant Coach**, Sul Ross Co-ed Cheerleading Team, Sul Ross State University, 09/05-01/06.

PRIVATE CONSULTING

- **“Advising as Teaching & Learning,”** presented to the Title V-Advising and Mentoring Committee, Sul Ross State University, 3/21/12.
- **Diversity Training,** presented to the Department of Residence Life, University of Denver, 8/28/07.
- **Organizational Communication Training Seminar,** presented to the University Library Professional Staff, Sul Ross State University, 1/13/06/-1/14/06.

AWARDS

- **Inclusive Excellence Award,** awarded by the Dean of each college to a graduate student who has demonstrated through scholarship a commitment to diversity, University of Denver, 03/28/09.
- **Advisor of the Year,** awarded by the Dean of Students for demonstrating a commitment to student development while advising the Ultimate Frisbee Club at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, 05/15/05