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EDUCATION

- **Doctor of Philosophy**, 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*
- **Master of Arts**, Interdisciplinary Study; Communication and English
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas, August 2005.
Specializations: Communication Pedagogy, Cultural Communication, &
Discourse Analysis
Thesis title: *Teaching Composition and Public Speaking: An Interdisciplinary Review of Current Pedagogies*
- **Bachelor of Arts**, Communication and Spanish (double-major), Biology minor
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, May 2001.
- **Associate of Arts**, Biology
New Mexico State University-Alamogordo, Alamogordo, New Mexico, May 1998.

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE MISSION

- To support faculty in the execution of teaching, research, and service by
 - promoting academic freedom,
 - encouraging faculty professional development,
 - advocating for faculty resources,
 - cultivating a culture of effective communication and shared governance.
- To effectively represent Sul Ross State University
- To serve as a leader and role model across all Sul Ross campuses, local communities, the state of Texas, the nation, and our international border with Mexico

PRIMARY RESEARCH INTERESTS (Quantitative and Qualitative)

- Emotion within Family Contexts
- Families in Crisis
- Family Communication
- Cognitive influences on communication
- Communication Education
- Higher Education

PRIMARY TEACHING INTERESTS

- Family Communication
- Communication Theory
- Gender Communication
- Public Speaking
- Intro to Communication Studies
- Business & Professional Communication
- Quantitative Research Methods
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Health Communication

COURSES TAUGHT

- *Business & Professional Communication* – Spring 2012, Spring 2014, Summer 2015, Fall 2015-present.
- *Communication and Sport* – Spring 2012, Summer I 2014, Fall 2016, Spring 2018, Spring 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2023
- *Communication Theory & Research* – Fall 2005, Fall 2013, Spring 2018. Spring 2020, Fall 2021, Spring 2022
- *Computer Mediated Communication (CMC) in Personal Relationships* – Summer I 2013
- *Family Communication* – Spring 2011, Fall 2013, Fall 2015, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2022
- *Family in Film* – Summer II 2011
- *First-year Seminar* – Fall 2013 – Fall 2015
- *Gender Communication* – Spring 2007, Fall 2011, Fall 2014, Fall 2017, Fall 2021, Fall 2023
- *Intercultural Communication* – Fall 2005, Fall 2010, Spring 2014, Spring 2016, Fall 2019
- *Interpersonal Communication* – Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015-present
- *Interpersonal Communication* (Graduate, Online) – Fall 2011
- *Introduction to Communication Studies* – Fall 2015, Spring 2018-present
- *Introduction to Speech Communication for the First-Year Experience* (Large Lecture, employing 4 Seminar Leaders) – Fall 2006
- *Latinos and the Media* – Summer II 2006
- *Organizational Communication* – Spring 2023
- *Persuasive Communication* – Summer I 2006, Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Spring 2022
- *Public Speaking* – Spring 2004 - present
- *Relational Communication* – Spring 2006, Spring 2011, Fall 2012, Fall 2014, Spring 2017, Spring 2019, Spring 2021, Spring 2023
- *Small-Group Communication* – Spring 2006, Spring 2007, Summer-I 2012, Spring 2013
- *Small-Group Communication* (Graduate, Online) – Fall 2012
- *Visual Communication* – Spring 2016, Spring 2018, Spring 2020

ACADEMIC & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- **Associate Professor of Communication**, Department of Behavioral & Social Sciences, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX. May 2016-present.
 - **Program Coordinator, Communication**. October 2017-April 2019; August 2021-January 2022.

- **Interim Chair**, Department of Homeland Security & Criminal Justice, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX, 6/7/17-8/28/17.
- **Interim Chair**, Department of Industrial Technology, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX. 1/15/17-7/24/17.
- **Assistant Professor of Communication**, Department of Fine Arts and Communication, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX, Fall 2010-May 2016.
Awarded Tenure, May 2015
- **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 Theatre, 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.
- **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Public Speaking, Department of Communication and Theatre, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Spring 2003-Spring 2004.
- **Academic Advisor**, Student Support Services, TRIO Programs, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, Fall 2001-Spring 2002.
- **Resident Advisor**, Coronado Hall, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, Fall 1999-2000.

COMPETITIVE PAPERS/ CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **Southern States Communication Association (SSCA)**, Frisco, TX, 4/1/2020-4/5/2020.
Paper Presented:
Challenges to Stepfamily Communication
- **Southern States Communication Association (SSCA)**, Frisco, TX, 4/1/2020-4/5/2020.
Panel Presentation:
Disrupting Classroom Boundaries to Build Interpersonal Communication Competence, Resilience, and Student Engagement
- **8th Annual Mentoring Conference**, Albuquerque, NM, 10/20/15-10/23/15.
Poster-session:
Paradigm Shifts: Mentoring and 21st Century Learning
- **National Communication Association (NCA)**, Chicago, Illinois, 11/20/14-11/23/14.
Panel Respondent:
Difficulties in Family Communication: Emotions, Jealousy, and Estrangement.
Sponsor: Family Communication Division

- **Southern States Communication Association (SSCA)**, New Orleans, 4/2/14-4/5/14.
Panel Presentation:
Communication Climates in the Classroom: Impacting Student Development and Learning by Addressing the Climate of the Course.
- **National Communication Association (NCA)**, Washington D.C., 11/21/13.
Connections with the Community and Classrooms: Service-learning Discussion Circles. *Connecting Students with Family Crises: Service-learning through a Family Crisis Center.*
- **Southern States Communication Association (SSCA)**, Louisville, Kentucky, 4/10/13-4/14/13.
Panel Presentation (Language and Social Interaction Division):
Talking About Family Violence: Communication Challenges to Resilience and Coping in Families Experiencing Domestic Violence
- **National Communication Association (NCA)**, Orlando, FL, 11/14/12-11/18/12.
Paper Presented (Family Communication Division):
Parented Emotion: Emotion Socialization and Family Communication Patterns
- **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 (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.

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Lee Rice, B., & **Velasco, J.** (2023). Comparing narcotics detection canine accuracy across breeds. *Heliyon*, 9(8). <https://doi-org.wmlrsu.idm.oclc.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2023.e19040>

- Rice, B. L., & **Velasco, J. G.** (2021). Accuracy comparison of single-purpose and dual-purpose narcotic detection canines. *Applied Animal Behaviour Science*, 243. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.applanim.2021.105434>
- Splan, R. K., Estepp, C. M., Shea Porr, C. A., & **Velasco, J. G.** (2017). Assessment of learning outcomes and self-regulated learning among undergraduate equine science students in a short-duration study abroad program. *Journal of Equine & Veterinary Science*, 52, 120-121.
- Estepp, C. M., **Velasco, J. G.**, Culbertson, A. L., & Conner, N. W. (2016). An investigation into mentoring practices of faculty who mentor undergraduate researchers at a Hispanic Serving Institution. *Journal of Hispanic Higher Education*, 16(4), 338-358. doi.org/10.1177/1538192716661906

MANUSCRIPT IN PROGRESS

- **Velasco, J. G.** (in progress). Teach speaking like swimming: Innovating public speaking pedagogy for the fearful. For submission to *Communication Education*.

UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS

- **Velasco, J.G.** (December 2017) COMPASS Literature Review: Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). Sul Ross State University.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- **Applying the QM Rubric**, Quality Matters Training, December 20-21, 2022. Nationally recognized certification for improving online instruction - the flagship Quality Matters workshop in which faculty learn about the QM rubric and join a collaborative effort to support online and distance learning students.
- **The 5S Approach to Proposal Development: Grant-seeking for Busy Faculty**, Sul Ross State University. December 1, 2022.
- **AAUP Summer Institute**, hosted by the University of Nevada, Reno, NV. July 19-24, 2022. [Click here to view the program.](#)
- **Faculty Certification for Online Instruction**, hosted by Sam Houston State University, July 2, 2022.
- **Texas Council of Faculty Senates | Professional Development for Faculty Governance & Higher Education Administration**
 - Attended *every* TCFS meeting/training *since* Spring 2014.
 - For details visit: [TCFS Meeting Programs](#)
- **National Communication Association (NCA) Annual Convention**, Dallas, TX, 11/16/17-11/19/17.

- **Mentoring Institute’s 8th Annual Conference.** *New Perspectives in Mentoring: A Quest for Leadership Excellence and Innovation*, Albuquerque, NM., 10/21/15 – 10/23/15.
- **SOAR (Student Orientation and Registration) Advisor Training**, Lobo Den, Sul Ross State University, 4/29/15.
- **First-year Seminar Training**, Title V Camino del Exito, 4/9/15.
- **Ethics Workshop: University Employees’ Ethical Duties**, Fernando Gomez, Vice Chancellor and General Counsel, Texas State University System, 9/18/14.
- **Self-efficacy in a Natural Resource Field Studies Course**, Dr. Chris Estepp, Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP), 10/4/13.
- **Improvisation as Pedagogical Praxis**, Bret Scott, Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP), 11/15/13.
- **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

- **Intermediate Fluency in Spanish** (Speaking and Writing)
- **Quantitative Methods**
- **Qualitative Methods**

AFFILIATIONS

- **Member**, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), November 2018 – present.
- **PRESIDENT**, Texas Council of Faculty Senates (TCFS), May 2021 – May 2023.
- **Member**, Texas Association of College Teachers (TACT), April 2021-present
- **PRESIDENT**, Texas State University System Council of Faculty Senates (TSUS CFS), October 2019 – May 2022.
- **Executive Board Member**, National Council of Faculty Senates (NCFS), February 2019 – October 2019.
- **Western Region Vice President**, Texas Council of Faculty Senates (TCFS), October 2014 – May 2020.
- **Vice President**, Texas State University System Council of Faculty Senates (TSUS CFS), October 2014 – October 2019.
- **Member**, National Communication Association (NCA)
- **Member**, Southern States Communication Association (SSCA)
- **Member**, Western States Communication Association (WSCA)
- **Member**, Texas Speech Communication Association (TSCA)
- **Member**, National Academic Advising Association (NACADA)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- **Commencement Name Caller, Presentation of Diplomas**. Sul Ross State University, Summer 2011-Fall 2020. Resumed December 2022.
- **Curriculum Council**, Sul Ross State University, Faculty Assembly, October 2022-present.
- **CHAIR**, Joint Budget Oversight Council, Sul Ross State University, Faculty Assembly, 2014-present.

- **Faculty Specialist/Guide**, SACSCOC Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) on Communication Across the Curriculum, Sul Ross State University, December 2017 – January 2022.
- **CHAIR, Special Committee on Student Evaluations**, Faculty Assembly, Sul Ross State University, 2/6/12-present.
- **CHAIR**, Tenure & Promotion Committee, College of Arts & Sciences, Sul Ross State University, December 12, 2019 – February 7, 2020.
- **CHAIR**, Tenure & Promotion Committee, Department of Fine Arts & Communication, Sul Ross State University, November 1, 2019.
- **PRESIDENT, Faculty Assembly**, Two-terms, Sul Ross State University, April 2014 – April 2018.
- **Strategic Planning Steering Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 3/2/16-6/3/22.
- **SACSCOC QEP Literature Review Subcommittee, Primary Author**, Sul Ross State University, April 2017 – December 2017.
- **CHAIR, Mission Statement/Vision Statement Committee**, Sul Ross State University, September 30, 2016-March 7, 2017.
- **Instructional Technology Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 1/7/16 – April 2019.
- **SACSCOC Accreditation Compliance Audit Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 11/2/15 – 6/3/22.
- **Commencement Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 12/14/15 – May 2019.
- **Recruitment Functional Team**, Sul Ross State University, 10/8/15 – April 2018.
- **President’s Committee on Academic Organization**, Sul Ross State University, 10/2/15-6/3/22.
- **SACSCOC QEP (Quality Enhancement Plan) Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 9/9/15 – 1/15/22.
 - Developed the conceptualization for the QEP focused on enhancing the teaching and instruction of oral, written, and visual communication across the curriculum.
 - Named the QEP “COMPASS”
- **Advancement Advisory Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 8/26/15 – 9/1/18.
 - Worked with university leadership to explore and enhance external funding sources across a wide range of university funds, organizations, and stakeholders.

- **Academic Planning Council**, Sul Ross State University, 4/6/15-April 2018.
 - Monthly meetings directed by the Provost and attended by university deans, faculty governance leaders, VP of Enrollment Management, Director of Developmental Education, and the Director of Academic Advising.
- **University Calendar Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 7/1/15-April 2018.
- **Core-Curriculum Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 7/1/15-May 2017.
- **Executive Committee on Efficiencies, Innovations, and Financial Priorities**, Sul Ross State University, 1/16/15-2/1/16.
 - Developed recommendations regarding processes, policies, strategic plans and goals pertaining to:
 - Efficiencies intended to reduce institutional expenses;
 - Innovations intended to reduce institutional expenses or generate additional revenue;
 - Priorities for the expenditure of increased budgetary authority, over-realized unbudgeted revenue, or discretionary gift revenue.
- **Search Committee for Dean of Library and Information Technologies**, Sul Ross State University, 6/1/15-8/1/15.
- **Executive Planning Committee for the Presidential Investiture**, Sul Ross State University, 1/16/15-4/16/15.
- **Selection Committee, Outstanding Teaching Award**, Sul Ross State University, Spring 2015.
- **Budget Oversight Council**, Sul Ross State University, 9/30/14-present.
- **ADA Education and Policy Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 9/8/14-9/1/15.
- **SECRETARY-TREASURER, Executive Council, Faculty Assembly**, Sul Ross State University, 4/18/13-9/30/14.
- **Instructional Technology Committee**, Faculty Assembly, Sul Ross State University, 4/18/13-9/30/14.
- **Special Committee for the Title V Lobo Den**, Sul Ross State University, 1/31/13 – 5/29/2020.
- **SECRETARY, University Honors Council**, Faculty Assembly, Sul Ross State University, 4/7/12 – 9/30/14.
- **Special Committee on Freshman Seminars**, Sul Ross State University, 8/26/2013-9/1/14.

- **Title V-Learning Communities Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 1/27/2012-1/16/14.
- **Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Faculty Seminars**, Sul Ross State University, 08/10-5/1/15.
- **CHAIR, Special Committee on the Mission Statement**, Faculty Assembly. Sul Ross State University, 9/17/12 – 1/17/13.
- **Selection Committee, Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program**, Sul Ross State University, 9/3/13-11/16/13.
- **Selection Committee, Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program**, Sul Ross State University, 8/28/11 – 11/9/11.
- **Title V-Advising & Mentoring Committee**, Sul Ross State University, 1/26/2012-1/17/13.
- **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.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES ADVISORY ROLES

- **Faculty Advisor, Lambda Pi Eta, XI Epsilon Chapter**, Sul Ross State University, 08/21/12 – 9/1/14; 08/21/16 – present.
- **Faculty Advisor, Sul Ross Ultimate Team**, Sul Ross State University, 09/05-05/07; 8/10-5/18.
 - Founded the Sul Ross Ultimate team alongside an excellent student-leader, Marcus Rodriguez, September 2005.
- **Faculty Advisor/Assistant Coach**, Sul Ross Co-ed Cheerleading Team, Sul Ross State University, 09/05-01/06.

GUIDED UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

- McNair Scholar Advisor (Spring 2023-present)
Jake Spurlock. *The Effects of Attachment Styles and Family Communication Patterns within Romantic Relationships*
- McNair Scholar Advisor (Spring 2023-present)
Ventura Peralez. *Fit For College: An Exploration of Student Athletes' Academics, Wellbeing, and Motivation*
- Family Communication Literature Review (Fall 2022)

Grace Knight. *Love Types and Attachment Styles Influencing How People Manage Conflict in Marital Relationships*

- Family Communication Literature Review (Fall 2022)
LaBresha Chatmon. *CPS Case Worker Investigation Accuracy: An Examination of Investigation Methods*
- B.A., Interpersonal Communication Capstone Advisor (Spring 2021)
Xueqing “Sunny” Mi. *Emotion in Interpersonal Relationships: An Exploration of the Function and Influence of Emotional Messages, Emotional Support, and Emotional Intelligence in Interpersonal Communication.*
- B.A., Interpersonal Communication Capstone Advisor (Spring 2020)
Chani Spear. *Communication Privacy Following Child Loss: Exploring Culture and Gender Differences.*
- B.A., Interpersonal Communication Capstone Advisor (Spring 2020)
Melissa Morales. *Talking to Sons About Sex: An Examination of Parental Messages About Sex and the Effects on Sons*
- McNair Scholar Advisor (Spring & Summer 2019) – Awarded Top Paper
Lindsey Hall-Schwegmann. *Teaching Title IX: Assessing Current Methods Used at Sul Ross State University*
- B.A., Interpersonal Communication Capstone Advisor (Spring 2015)
Hannah Davis. *Yik Yak Usage in a Rural West-Texas College Town: A Thematic Analysis.*
- B.A., Human Communication Capstone Advisor (Spring 2013)
Kolby Kothman. *Agents of Resilience: Responding to Victims of Domestic Violence*
- Family Crisis Research Team (Fall 2012-Spring 2013), Project co-sponsored by Sul Ross State University and the Family Crisis Center of the Big Bend, *exploring resilience, well-being, stress disclosures, and emotion socialization in families experiencing violence and other crises.*
Team members: **Kolby Kothman & Jacqueline Santarsiero**
- B.A., Human Communication Capstone Advisor (Summer 2012)
James Barela. *Viewing Team as Family: A Thematic Analysis of the Social Construction of Family*
- McNair Scholar Advisor (June 2012)
Michael Gallardo. *Managing Private Information in Families Affected by Addiction*

Kim Morrow. *Parentification, Neglect, and Abuse: An Autoethnographic Exploration of Family Trauma and Family Communication Theory*
- B.A., Human Communication Capstone Advisor (Spring 2012)

Deannady Herrera. *“Take me to bed or lose me forever”*: Intersections of Social Exchange Theory and Relational Dialectics

- B.A., Human Communication Capstone Advisor (Spring 2011)
Spenser Merritt. *Moving the Relationship Forward: An Examination of Relational Closeness and Affection in Friends-with-benefits Relationships*

GUIDED GRADUATE RESEARCH | NON-THESIS

- Literature Review, Family Communication (Fall 2022)
William Bullock. *EMS & Domestic Violence: An Alternative Perspective for Comprehensive Treatment*
- Graduate Independent Study, *Business & Professional Communication Pedagogy* (Spring 2022)
Shanna Thomas. Guided by research and rooted in pedagogical theory and praxis, Shanna designed a course on business and professional communication to be implemented at the secondary education level in the El Paso Independent School District. This project was in partial fulfillment of a Master of Education.
- Graduate Independent Study, *Small-Group Theory and Research* (Fall 2012)
Matt Hardison. *Instruction or Management?: Intersections of Small Group Theories and Pedagogy and the Management of Theatrical Productions*

Stephanie Dominguez. *The Effects of Turnover and Retention: Management’s Responsibility to Change the Atmosphere*

Brittney Rhodes. *Using Small Group Development to Aid in Group-work within the Classroom*
- Graduate Independent Study, *Interpersonal Theory and Research* (Fall 2011)
Jennifer Denton. *Augmentative and Alternative Communication Systems: A Comparative Analysis of Forms and Styles*

GRADUATE THESIS/COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS COMMITTEE WORK

- Thesis Committee, **Parker Duff**, Master of Arts, Liberal Arts, Fall 2022.
Manuscript Title: *Many Nations Under One: An Historical, Political, and Communication-centered Examination of U.S. Policies and Treaties with America’s First Nations.* [Click here for his podcast presentation on Lobos Lenguas.](#)
- Thesis Committee, **Priscilla Gonzales**, Master of Arts, Liberal Arts. Expected Completion: Fall 2021.
Thesis Title: *Analyzing the Positive Impact of Dual Credit Courses in Texas Public High Schools with an Emphasis on First-generation Hispanic Students*
- Comprehensive Exam Committee, **Haifen Wang**, Master of Education, Communication Concentration, Spring 2019.

- Comprehensive Exam Committee, **Sharon Barrett**, Master of Education, General Education, Spring 2015.
- Graduate Capstone Committee, **Sharon Barrett**, Master of Arts, Liberal Arts, Fall 2014.
Disciplines: Major Discipline: History; Supporting Disciplines: Communication Studies and Music.
Manuscript Title: *Exodus: A Journey into the Hebraic Roots Movement through Music, HIStory, and Auto/Ethnography (186 pages)*
- Comprehensive Exam Committee, **Brittney Rhodes**, Master of Arts, Liberal Arts, Fall 2012.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS & CONSULTING

- **Distinguished Keynote Speaker.** “*Shared Governance 101: A Guide to Knowing Your Role to Improve Higher Education.*” Presented to the administration and faculty of Texas A&M University-Commerce. April 19, 2023.
- **Consultant to the Texas A&M University System.** Assisted in the negotiation, planning, and implementation of the *Texas A&M University System Assembly of Faculty Senates (TAMUS-AFS)*, the first system-wide faculty governance organization for the Texas A&M University System. Guided TAMUS faculty governance leaders and TAMUS leadership in negotiating an agreement. Served as major contributor in composing the mission and vision statements for the TAMUS-AFS. May 2022-present.
- **External Program Reviewer.** Department of Communication Studies. Schreiner University. Kerrville, TX. March 2020-June 2020.
- **“Communicating Research: How to Write an Academic Journal Article Summary,”** presented to SRSU Faculty at the Fall 2017 QEP Faculty Development Seminar titled *Implementing Communication Skills in the Classroom.* 11/1/17.
- **“What is This Thing Called Motivation that Everyone Talks About?,”** presented at the 7th Annual Transition to College Career Fair, Texas Region 18 ISDs, Sul Ross State University, 5/17/17.
- **“Mentoring Student Research,”** presented at the 2016 Adelante Tejas STEM Institute, Sul Ross State University, 5/27/16.
- **“Effective Communication for Sul Ross Pack Leaders,”** presented during training for Sul Ross Pack Leaders preceding Lobo Days, 8/20/15.
- **“Personal Relationships and Happiness,”** presented at the 6th Annual Transition to College Career Fair, Texas Region 18 ISDs, Sul Ross State University, 5/20/15.
- **“Student Motivation: Practical Applications of Research,”** presented to the Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP) Seminar, 2/14/14.

- **“Parenting and Emotion: Applied Research for Educators and Parents,”** presented to the faculty, staff, and parents of Alpine Christian School, 9/26/13.
- **“Emotion Socialization, Coping, & Resilience for Families in Crisis,”** presented to the Family Crisis Center of the Big Bend, 9/13/12.
- **“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.

GRANTS

- **Awarded: Student Fees for Sul Ross Ultimate - \$3,200.** This money is awarded annually to the collegiate Ultimate team representing Sul Ross State University, in recognition of a commitment to enhance student development and student-life consistently over the past decade.
- **Awarded: Research Enhancement Grant -\$5000.** This study investigates families experiencing various types of stress (e.g., violence, sexual assault, health-crises, addiction, economic crises, etc.), social support, parental emotion socialization, family communication patterns, stress disclosures, and resilience at three locations of the *Family Crisis Center of the Big Bend*.
- **Awarded: Pilots of Engagement Grant - \$150.** Part of the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) for Sul Ross State University, this money is awarded to enhance experiential learning. This money was used to establish a community-outreach/service-learning event called the *Family Crisis Symposium* which, for one day, brought together Family Communication students and professional practitioners from the *Family Crisis Center of the Big Bend*.

AWARDS

- **Nominated, Texas State University System Regents Professor,** 2014-2015.
- **Outstanding Teaching Award,** awarded by the faculty and students of Sul Ross State University, 2013-2014.
- **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.
- **Organization Advisor of the Year,** Sully’s Ultimate Players, awarded by the Campus Activities Coordinator and the Dean of Student Life in recognition of ability to enhance the development of both the organization and the members of the organization itself, Sul Ross State University, 4/26/2007.

- **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
- **PRESIDENT**, Phi Theta Kappa, Alpha Nu Beta Chapter, National Honor Society for Community Colleges, New Mexico State University-Alamogordo, 1997-1998. Inducted Spring 1997.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Hosting of the semiannual **Family Crisis Symposium**, 2012-present.
 - This collaborative event brings together advanced hig
- Ultimate Community Organizer, Alpine, TX, September 2005-present.
 - Coaching Ultimate, Teaching Effective Communication, Modeling Ethical Behavior through [*The Sprit of the Game*](#).
 - Member, Alpine **Goatheads** Ultimate Team, September 2005-present.
- **Soccer Coach**, U-8 Soccer, BBYSL, 8/14/14-11/7/14; 8/18- 11/18 (Assistant Coach).
- **Soccer Coach**, U-11 Soccer, BBYSL, 8/17-11/17.
- **Soccer Coach**, Pre-K Soccer, BBYSL, 9/7/13-11/9/13.
- **Soccer Coach**, 1st-Grade Soccer, BBYSL, 9/7/13-11/9/13.
- **Assistant Coach**, Chess Club, Alpine Christian School, 9/19/12-5/30/14.
- **Soccer Coach**, Pre-K Soccer, BBYSL, 9/5/12-11/16/12.
- **Soccer Coach**, Pre-K Soccer, BBYSL, 9/6/11-11/3/11.

PERSONAL

- Married to Jessica Velasco, D.P.A
 - *Assistant Professor of Political Science & Public Administration*, Department of Behavioral & Social Sciences, Sul Ross State University
 - *Doctor of Public Administration*, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, Georgia
 - *Master of Science*, Student Affairs & Higher Education Administration, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas
 - *Bachelor of Arts*, Political Science, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas
- Father of three children
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