

Curriculum Vitae
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Institutional Information and Current Position:

Assistant Professor (tenure track)
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Education:

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

- RAND-University of Pittsburgh Scholars Program (2012-2014)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Communication (2012)
- Master of Arts in Bioethics (2013)
- Master of Arts in Communication (2008)

Regis University (Denver, CO)

- Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Philosophy (2005)

Scholarly Works in Progress:

- *Rhetoric, Medicine, and Lifestyle: Promoting Health Behavior Change Online* (book manuscript).
- "Articulating the Role of 'Resident Rhetoricians' in the Healthcare Sciences."
- "Defining Obesity as a Disease: A Rhetorical Analysis of the American Medical Association's Resolution 420 (A-13)."
- "The Rhetoric of Patient-Centeredness in the Post-ACA Healthcare Environment: Negotiating the Research-Care Divide" (with Kati Sudnick).
- "Debate as a Cultural Practice: Memory and Social Justice" (with Jean Michel Habineza and Rachel Morrell).

- “Rediscovering Lost Connections between English, Speech, and Debate: William Hawley Davis’ Rhetorical Pedagogy.”

Forthcoming Scholarly Works:

- **John Rief**, “Stephen Toulmin: Theory and Practice,” encyclopedia entry submitted for inclusion in *Communication Ethics Encyclopedia*, edited by Ronald C. Arnett, Annette M. Holba, and Susan Mancino (**forthcoming**).

Scholarly Works Submitted and/or Under Review:

- **John Rief** and Rachel Morrell, “Community-Based Participatory Debate: A Synthesis of Debate Pedagogy, Practice, and Research,” essay submitted for review for potential inclusion in the selected works of the *2017 NCA/AFA Summer Conference on Argumentation* (**under review**).

Journal Publications¹:

- Carly Woods, Matthew Brigham, Brent Heavner, Takuzo Konishi, **John Rief**, Brent Saindon and Gordon R. Mitchell, “Deliberating Debate’s Digital Futures,” *Contemporary Argumentation and Debate*. Volume 27 (2006): 81-105.
- Eric English, Stephen Llano, Gordon R. Mitchell, Catherine E. Morrison, **John Rief**, and Carly Woods, “Debate as a Weapon of Mass Destruction,” *Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies*. Volume 4, Number 2 (June, 2007): 221-225.
- Gordon R. Mitchell, Carly S. Woods, Matthew Brigham, Eric English, Catherine E. Morrison, and **John Rief**, “The Debate Authors Working Group Model for Collaborative Knowledge Production in Forensics Scholarship,” *Argumentation and Advocacy*. Volume 47 (Summer, 2010): 1-24. **(DB)**
- Aimee K. Roundtree, Aimee Dorsten, and **John J. Rief**, “Improving Patient Activation in Crisis and Chronic Care through Rhetorical Approaches to New Media Technologies,” *POROI: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Rhetorical Analysis and Invention*. Volume 7, Issue 1 (2011). Available at: <http://ir.uiowa.edu/poroi/vol7/iss1/12>.
- **John J. Rief**, Gordon R. Mitchell, Susan L. Zickmund, Tina D. Bhargava, Cindy L. Bryce, Gary S. Fischer, Rachel Hess, N. Randall Kolb, Laurey R. Simin-Silverman, and Kathleen M. McTigue, “Promoting Patient *Phronesis*: Communication Patterns in an Online Lifestyle Program Coordinated with Primary Care,” *Health Education & Behavior*. Volume 40, Number 3 (June, 2013): 311-322. PubMed ID: 22984212. **(DB)**
- **John J. Rief**, “Building the Case for an ‘Architectonic’ Function of Rhetoric in Health Services Research.” *POROI: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Rhetorical Analysis and Invention*. Volume 10, Issue 1 (2014). Available at <http://ir.uiowa.edu/poroi/vol10/iss1/9/>.
- **John J. Rief**, Megan E. Hamm, Susan L. Zickmund, Cara Nikolajski, Dan Lesky, Rachel Hess, Gary S. Fischer, Melissa Weimer, Sunday Clark, Caroline Zieth, and Mark S. Roberts, “Using Health Information Technology to Foster Engagement: Patients’ Experiences with an Active

¹Marked entries **(DB)** were subjected to double blind peer review. Other publications were either invited works or subjected to a different style of editorial oversight.

Patient Health Record," *Health Communication*. Volume 32, Number 3 (2017): 310-319.
DOI:10.1080/10410236.2016.1138378. (DB)

Refereed Conference Proceedings:

- **John Rief**, Kevin J. Cummings, and Joanna Cummings, "Inclusion in Parliamentary Debate: A Critique of the Logic of Abstraction," in *Critical Problems in Argumentation: Selected Papers from the 13th Biennial Conference on Argumentation*, edited by Charles A. Willard (Washington D.C.: NCA, 2005), 422-427.
- **John Rief**, "Talking at Cross Purposes: Violating Higher-Order Conditions with Oppositional Arguments," in *Proceedings of the Sixth Conference of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation*, edited by Frans H. van Eemeren, J. Anthony Blair, Charles A. Willard, and Bart Garssen (Amsterdam: Sic Sat/International Center for the Study of Argumentation, 2007), 1147-1154.
- **John Rief** and Kevin Cummings, "The Many Sides of Switch-Sides Debate: Perspective Taking and the Limits of Liberal-Deliberative Practice," in *The Functions of Argument and Social Context: Selected Papers from the 16th Biennial Conference on Argumentation*, edited by Dennis Gouran (Washington, D.C.: NCA, 2010), 396-402.
- **John J. Rief**, "Widening Applications of Phronesis in the Clinic and Beyond: Patients as Decision Makers" in *Proceedings of the 7th Conference on Argumentation of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation*, edited by Frans H. van Eemeren, Bart Garssen, David Godden, and Gordon R. Mitchell (Amsterdam: Rozenburg/Sic Sat, 2011), CD-ROM.
- Brian J. Schrader and **John J. Rief**, "Between Free Speech and Public Debate: An Analysis of Snyder v. Phelps," in *Reasoned Argument and Social Change: Selected Papers from the 17th Biennial Conference on Argumentation*, edited by Robert C. Rowland and Jaclyn Howell (Washington, D.C.: NCA, 2012), 647-654.
- Brian J. Schrader, **John J. Rief**, and Matthew P. Brigham, "Opposing the Already Oppositional: The WBC, Counter-Protests, and the Limits of Controversy," in Catherine H. Palczewski, ed., *Disturbing Argument: Selected Works from the 18th NCA/AFA Alta Conference on Argumentation* (NY: Routledge, 2015), 304-310.

Book Reviews:

- **John J. Rief**, *Bioethics in the Age of New Media*, by Joanna Zylinska (Cambridge, Massachusetts: The MIT Press, 2009). Reviewed for *JAC: Rhetoric, Writing, Culture, Politics*. Volume 31, Numbers 1-2 (2011): 381-389.
- **John J. Rief**, *Scientific Characters: Rhetoric, Politics, and Trust in Breast Cancer Research*, by Lisa Keranen (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2012). Reviewed for *Rhetoric Society Quarterly*. Volume 42, Issue 4 (2012): 397-400.
- **John J. Rief**, *What Are Stem Cells: Definitions at the Intersection of Science and Politics*, by John Lynch (Tuscaloosa: The University of Alabama Press, 2011). Reviewed for *Quarterly Journal of Speech*. Volume 99, Issue 4 (2013): 522-526.

Conference Proceedings:

- **John J. Rief**, "A Good Death: Dignity-Based Argumentation at the End of Life." In the *Proceedings of the 2009 Ontario Society for the Study of Argumentation Conference: Argument Cultures* (Windsor: The University of Windsor, Canada, 3-6 June 2009), CD-ROM.
- Kevin Cummings and **John Rief**, "Seductive Appeals: Eroticism and Sexual Harassment in Academic Debate," in the *Proceedings of the 2009 Semiotic Society of America Conference: The Semiotics of Time*, #47 (1-10).
- **John Rief** and Matthew P. Brigham, "Moral disagreements and pernicious pragmatism: Pluralism, value argumentation, and the U.S. health care debate," in the *Proceedings of the 2011 Ontario Society for the Study of Argumentation Conference (Argumentation: Cognition & Community)*, CD-ROM.
- **John Rief** and Matthew P. Brigham, "Reply to Our Commentator," in the *Proceedings of the 2011 Ontario Society for the Study of Argumentation Conference (Argumentation: Cognition & Community)*, CD-ROM.

Conference Papers, Presentations, and Abstracts:

- "Rejecting Incommensurability: The Western Biomedical Metanarrative and Traditional Healing in Africa," paper presented at the *Fifth Conference on Argumentation of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation* in the Argumentation and Forensics Division, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 25 June 2002.
- "Inclusion in Parliamentary Debate: A Critique of the Logic of Abstraction," (first author with Kevin J. Cummings and Joanna Cummings), paper presented at the *Thirteenth SCA/AFA Conference on Argumentation*, Alta, UT, 31 July 2003.
- "Talking at Cross Purposes: Violating Higher-Order Conditions with Oppositional Arguments," paper presented at the *Sixth Conference of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation*, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 27-30 June 2006.
- "Interrogating Switch-Side Debate as a Cultural Technology: The Implications of the Reflexive Turn," panel presentation at the *National Communication Association's 92nd Annual Convention* in the Cross Examination Debate Association Division, San Antonio, TX, 17 November 2006.
- "Transcendence, the Comic Frame, and Persuasion: Agonistic Politics and the Process of Healing through Dialectical Conversion," paper presented at the *National Communication Association's 92nd Annual Convention* in the Burke Society Division, San Antonio, TX, 16 November 2006.
- "The Urgency of Now: Voicing Pain and Rhetorical Invention," paper presented at the *National Communication Association's 93rd Annual Convention* in the American Association for the Rhetoric of Science & Technology (AARST) Division, Chicago, IL, 15 November 2007.
- "The Politics of Presence in *The Celluloid Closet*," paper presented at *The William A. Kern Conference, Visual Communication: Rhetorics and Technology*, Rochester, NY, 10-13 April 2008.

- "Perelman, Pluralism, and Human Rights," paper presented at *The Promise of Reason: The New Rhetoric after 50 Years* conference, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, 17-20 May 2008.
- "Comic (Re)framing in *The Laramie Project*," paper presented at the *Rhetoric Society of America's 13th Biennial Conference*, Seattle, WA, 23-26 May 2008.
- "Animating a Living History of the Alta Argumentation Conference (panel title)," panel presentation at the *Eastern Communication Association's 99th Annual Conference* in Pittsburgh, PA, 1 May 2008.
- "Conviction as Rhetorical Maneuver and Façade," panel presentation at the *National Communication Association's 94th Annual Convention* in the Argumentation and Forensics Division, San Diego, CA, 21 November 2008.
- "Darwin's Argument(s): A Comparison of the Origin and the Essays of 1842 and 1844," paper presented at the *National Communication Association's 94th Annual Convention* on the **Top Papers in the Rhetoric of Science and Technology Panel** in the American Association for the Rhetoric of Science and Technology (AARST) Division, San Diego, CA, 22 November 2008.
- "Teaching Identity and Cooptation: A Perspective for the Public Speaking Class," paper presented at the *National Communication Association's 94th Annual Convention* in the Basic Course Division, San Diego, CA, 23 November 2008.
- "Deliberating, Constituting, and Unifying: Isocrates and the Topoi of Unity and Disunity," paper presented at the *National Communication Association's 94th Annual Convention* in the American Society for the History of Rhetoric Division, San Diego, CA, 23 November 2008.
- "Promoting Practical Wisdom: Communication Patterns in the Virtual Lifestyle Management (VLM) Program," (lead co-author with Kathleen McTigue, Gordon R. Mitchell, Susan Zickmund, and Tina Bhargava), panel presentation at the *18th Annual LHAS Medical Ethics Update Conference* at the University of Pittsburgh Medical School, Pittsburgh, PA, 6 April 2009.
- "A Good Death: Dignity-Based Argumentation at the End of Life," paper presented at the *Ontario Society for the Study of Argumentation Conference (Argument Cultures)* at the University of Windsor, Canada, 3-6 June 2009.
- "The Many Sides of Switch-Sides Debate: Perspective Taking and the Limits of Liberal-Deliberative Practice," (first author with Kevin J. Cummings), paper presented at the *Sixteenth National Communication Association/ American Forensics Association Conference on Argumentation: The Functions of Argument and Social Context*, Alta, UT, 1 August 2009.
- "Role-Play: Difference and Identification," paper presented at the *Feminisms and Rhetorics - Enabling Complexities: Communities/Writing/Rhetoric* conference at Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 7-9 October 2009.
- "Seductive Appeals: Eroticism and Sexual Harassment in Academic Debate," (co-author with Kevin J. Cummings), paper presented at the *2009 Semiotic Society of America Conference (The Semiotics of Time)*, Cincinnati, OH, 15-18 October 2009.
- "Public Framings of Biomedicine: Human Dignity, Rhetoric, and Social Knowledge," panel presentation at the *National Communication Association's 95th Annual Convention* in the

American Association for the Rhetoric of Science and Technology (AARST) division, Chicago, IL, 12-15 November 2009.

- “Darwin’s Argument Inventions and Innovations: Implications Across the Disciplines of Rhetoric and Argumentation Theory,” panel presentation at the *150 Years of Evolution – Darwin’s Impact on the Humanities and Social Sciences* conference at San Diego State University, San Diego, CA, 20-22 November 2009.
- “Lifestyle Coaching in the Context of Obesity: A Practical Pedagogical Approach,” paper presented at the *Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics*, Cincinnati, OH, 4-7 March 2010.
- “Making Decisions in the Context of Health Crises: Narrativity, Emotion, and Reason,” panel presentation at the *14th Biennial Conference of the Rhetoric Society of America: Concord and Controversy*, Minneapolis, MN, 28-31 May 2010.
- “Widening Applications of *Phronesis* in the Clinic and Beyond: Patients as Decision Makers,” paper presented at the *7th Conference on Argumentation of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation (ISSA)*, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 29 June – 2 July 2010.
- “Negotiating Expertise: Translating Debate *Techné* into Community Praxis” (co-authored with Jeff Kurr), paper presented at the *Third International Conference on Argumentation, Rhetoric, Debate and the Pedagogy of Empowerment: Thinking and Speaking a Better World*, the University of Maribor, Slovenia, 24 October 2010. Paper presented by Jeff Kurr.
- “The Good Life for Sale: Upstream and Downstream Rhetorics of Lifestyle Management,” panel presentation at the *Association for the Rhetoric of Science and Technology* preconference *Rhetorics of Science in the Public Sphere* held in San Francisco, CA, 13 November 2010.
- “‘Not comfortable, but home’: *Communitas*, belonging, and performing ‘communication in/and/of/for the community’ along the dialectical ‘border-lands’ of ease/’dis-ease,’ consensus/dissensus, and identification-division,” panel presentation (with Damien Pfister and Carly Woods) at the *82nd Annual WSCA Convention: Communication and Community*, Monterey, CA, 18-22 February 2011.
- “Promoting Patient *Phronesis* in an Online Lifestyle Program,” oral presentation at the *2011 National Predoctoral Clinical Research Training Program Meeting*, University of Washington in St. Louis, School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO, 11-13 May 2011.
- “Moral Absolutes and Pragmatic Arguments: U.S. Legal and Political Debates Over Civil and Human Rights” (co-authored with Matthew P. Brigham), paper presented at the *Ontario Society for the Study of Argumentation Conference (Argumentation: Cognition & Community)*, held at the University of Windsor, 18-21 May 2011. Presented by John Rief.
- “Debate as Situated and Situational: A New Defense of the Ethics and Praxis of Debate,” (co-authored with Jeffrey Kurr), paper presented at the *2011 NCA/AFA Summer Conference on Argumentation*, Alta, Utah, 28-31 July 2011.
- “Blurring the Lines of Genre: Snyder v. Phelps and the ‘Reasonable’ Content of Democratic Debate,” (co-authored with Brian J. Schrader), paper presented at the *2011 NCA/AFA Summer Conference on Argumentation*, Alta, Utah, 28-31 July 2011.

- “Metaphor, Illness, and the Patient Role,” oral presentation at the *American Society for Bioethics and Humanities 13th Annual Meeting* in Minneapolis, MN, 13-16 October 2011.
- “New Directions in the Rhetoric of Science: Discussion with the Author and Readers of *What are Stem Cells? Definitions at the Intersection of Science and Politics*,” roundtable presentation at the *National Communication Association’s 97th Annual Convention* in the Association for the Rhetoric of Science and Technology division, New Orleans, LA, 17-20 November 2011.
- “Civic Voice and the Public Work of Rhetoric,” panel discussion at the *National Communication Association Conference’s 97th Annual Convention* in the Rhetorical and Communication Theory division, New Orleans, LA, 17-20 November 2011.
- “Stoic Self-Care, Lifestyle Management, and the Patient Role in the Context of Chronic Disease,” paper presented at the *National Communication Association’s 97th Annual Convention* in the American Society for the History of Rhetoric division, New Orleans, LA, 17-20 November 2011.
- “The Rhetoric of ‘Occupation’: Dissociation and Dismemberment,” paper presented at the *103rd Eastern Communication Association Conference* in the Political Communication division, 26-29 April 2012.
- “Communication Dynamics of Lifestyle Coaching in an Online Lifestyle Support System,” oral presentation at the *National Clinical and Translational Sciences Predoctoral Programs Meeting (Navigating the Path to Translation)* at the Mayo Clinic Campus, Rochester, MN, 6-8 May 2012.
- “The Clinic as a Rhetorical Space: Building a Home for Patients and Providers with Language,” oral presentation at the Center for Bioethics and Health Law’s *Medical Humanities Consortium 10th Annual Meeting, Hospitals, Healthcare, and the Medical Humanities*, Pittsburgh, PA, 15-16 May 2012.
- “The Epidemic of Evidence in Chronic Care: Rhetoric as Therapy for Information Overload,” paper presented at the *Western Communication Association’s 84th Annual Convention* in Reno, NV, 15-19 February 2013.
- “Patient Experiences with Lifestyle Counseling in an Online Lifestyle Support System,” poster presentation at the *Society of General Internal Medicine’s 36th Annual Meeting* in Denver, CO, 24-27 April 2013.
- “Investigating Communication Content and Tone in an Online Lifestyle Intervention: Qualitative Research Design,” poster presentation at the *19th Annual NRSA Research Trainees Conference* in Baltimore, MD, 22 June 2013.
- “Opposing the Already Oppositional: The WBC, Counter-Protests, and the Limits of Controversy” (co-author with Brian J. Schrader and Matthew P. Brigham), paper presented at the *2013 NCA/AFA Summer Conference on Argumentation* in Alta, UT, 1-4 August 2013.
- Participant on the “Rhetoric and Outreach Panel,” at the *Association for the Rhetoric of Science and Technology 2013 Preconference: Citizens, Science, Politics, and Policy* in Washington, D.C., 20 November 2013.

- “Defining Obesity as a *Disease*: A Rhetorical Analysis of the American Medical Association’s Resolution 420 (A-13),” paper presented at the **16th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference** in San Antonio, TX, 22-26 May 2014.
- “Unexamined Paternalism in 21st Century Healthcare: The Rhetoric of ‘Patient-Centeredness,’” paper presented at the **16th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference** in San Antonio, TX, 22-26 May 2014.
- “Recovering the ‘Two Cultures’ Debate: The Argumentative Status of ‘Resident Rhetoricians’ in the Sciences,” paper presented at the **2015 NCA/AFA Summer Conference on Argumentation** in Alta, UT, 30 July - 2 August 2015.
- “Virtual Paideia: Interactional Intensity, Affect and Tone in an Online Lifestyle Intervention,” panel presentation given at the **40th Annual Meeting of the Semiotic Society of America** in Pittsburgh, PA, 1-4 October 2015.
- “Re-engaging the resources of popular culture in the rhetorical critique of scientism: Thomas Lessl, Stanley Kubrik, and Anti-Evolutionism,” paper presented at the **17th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference** in Atlanta, GA, 26-29 May 2016.
- “Apple’s ‘ResearchKit’, the Multitude, and Big Data: The Rhetorical (Re)Fashioning of 21st Century Research Participants,” (co-author with Brian J. Schrader) paper presented at the **17th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference** in Atlanta, GA, 26-29 May 2016.
- “Reimagining Debate Pedagogy and Practice for the 21st Century: Public Dialogue and Social Justice,” panel presentation at the **14th National Communication Ethics Conference/IADA** in Pittsburgh, PA (Duquesne University), 1-4 June 2016.
- “‘Who are you calling fat?’ Bridging ethics and communication to facilitate better treatment options for individuals at an unhealthy weight,” (with Valerie Satkoske and Amy VanDyke) panel presentation at the **American Society for Bioethics and Humanities 2016 Annual Meeting**, Washington, D.C., 6-9 October 2016.
- “William Hawley Davis and ‘Counterfeit Presentment’ in the Contest Round: Recovering a Lost Conception of Role-Playing for 21st Century Debate Pedagogy,” paper presented at the **National Communication Association’s 102nd Annual Convention** in the Cross Examination Debate Association division, Philadelphia, PA, 9-13 November 2016.
- “Creating A Public Debate Culture (panel title),” panel presentation at the **National Communication Association’s 102nd Annual Convention** in the American Forensics Association division, Philadelphia, PA, 9-13 November 2016.
- “Creating the Discussion: How the Pedagogy of Teaching Dialogue Creates Better Debate and Debaters (panel title),” panel discussion at the **Central States Communication Association’s 86th Annual Meeting**, 16-18 March 2017.
- “Community-Based Participatory Debate: A Synthesis of Debate Pedagogy, Practice, and Research,” (co-author with Rachel Morrell) paper presented at the **2017 NCA/AFA Summer Conference on Argumentation** in Alta, UT, 20-23 July 2017.

Invited Lectures:

- “Ethical Issues in the Treatment of Obesity: Autonomy, Patient Education, and Responsibility as Capability” (lecture given at **St. Clair’s Hospital** in Pittsburgh, PA on June 17, 2015). Invited through the **Consortium Ethics Program** (a regional bioethics education program including faculty from Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ohio).²
- “Health Information Technology, Patient Phronesis, and Patient-Provider Communication in the Chronic Care Setting” (lecture given at the *Consortium Ethics Program Retreat* in Wheeling, WV on September 25, 2015).
- “Searching for the Good Life: Framing Chronic Care Through the Greek Rhetorical Tradition” (lecture given at the *Consortium Ethics Program Retreat* in Wheeling, WV on September 27, 2015).
- “Dealing with Difficult Patient-Provider Encounters and Relationships: Professional Practice and Therapeutic Dialogue” (lecture given at **UPMC Altoona** in Altoona, PA on April 29, 2016). Invited through the **Consortium Ethics Program**.
- “Acknowledgement, Engagement, and Reflection in Conflict: Approaches to Conflict Management in the Clinical Setting” (lecture given at the *Consortium Ethics Program Retreat* in Wheeling, WV on September 23, 2016).
- “Going Beyond ‘Informed’ and ‘Consent’: Role, Context, and Patient-Provider Collaboration in the Era of Patient-Centered Care” (lecture given at the *Consortium Ethics Program Retreat* in Wheeling, WV on September 25, 2016).
- “Shades of ‘Crazy’: Psychological and Public Discourses about Donald Trump’s Mental Health,” colloquium presentation with John Lyne at the **Center for Bioethics and Health Law at the University of Pittsburgh** on Friday, October 21, 2016.

Grants & Fellowships:

- August, 2005-May, 2006: **Arts & Sciences Research Fellow** in the Department of Communication at the University of Pittsburgh (stipend and tuition remission).
- October, 2009-April, 2010: Jewish Health Foundation, **Jonas Salk Medical Ethics Fellowship** (unfunded training program).
- July, 2010-June, 2012: **National Institutes of Health funded Predoctoral Fellowship in Clinical and Translational Research**, Institute for Clinical Research Education, University of Pittsburgh (stipend, tuition remission, research and travel support).
- June, 2012-August, 2012: **Marcella L. Feingold Summer Research Fellow** in the William Pitt Debating Union at the University of Pittsburgh (summer stipend).
- October, 2012-October, 2014: **Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality funded Postdoctoral Fellowship**, RAND – University of Pittsburgh Scholars Program, Institute for Clinical Research Education and Center for Research on Health Care, University of Pittsburgh (stipend, tuition benefits, research and travel support).

² <http://bioethics.pitt.edu/consortium-ethics-program>

- **2015 Faculty Development Grant** awarded by the Office of International Programs at Duquesne University for the development of a Maymester course in Kigali, Rwanda (\$2500.00).
- **2015-16 Rice Fellows Program** fellowship awarded by the Center for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition and the Center for Community-Engaged Teaching and Research at Duquesne University for the development of a public debate program at Pittsburgh Milliones, University Preparatory School in Pittsburgh, PA (\$2500.00).
- **2016 Wimmer Family Foundation Award** (Duquesne University) to support a new research project in collaboration with Jean Michel Habineza and Rachel Morrell regarding the use of debate for the promotion of social justice in Rwanda (\$1500.00).
- **2017 Wimmer Family Foundation Award** (Duquesne University) to hire a research assistant to provide summer support for continued work on the book project currently in progress (see above; \$1260.00).

Honors & Recognitions:

- The **Francis J. Malacek, S.J. Award for Excellence in Philosophy** presented by the Department of Philosophy at Regis University (2003).
- The **Human Communication Honor Award** presented by the Department of Communication at Regis University (2005).
- **Graduate Debate Assistant of the Year** awarded by the William Pitt Debating Union at the University of Pittsburgh (2008).
- Dissertation ("Searching for the Good Life: Rhetoric, Medicine, and the Shaping of Lifestyle) selected among the top three finalists for the 2012 *American Society for the History of Rhetoric* dissertation award (2013).

Teaching Appointments:

University of Pittsburgh (Department of Communication)

- August, 2006-July, 2007: **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Department of Communication.
- August, 2007-July, 2010: **Graduate Teaching Fellow**, Department of Communication.

Duquesne University (Department of Communication & Rhetorical Studies)

- August, 2014-August 2016: **Visiting Assistant Professor**.
- August 2016-Present: **Assistant Professor** (tenure track).

Debate Coaching and Directing Work History:

Coaching and Directing (University of Pittsburgh):

- August, 2006-August, 2008: **Assistant Policy Debate Coach**, William Pitt Debating Union at the University of Pittsburgh.

- September, 2008-May, 2009: **Associate Director of Policy Debate**, William Pitt Debating Union at the University of Pittsburgh.
- August, 2009-May, 2010: **Assistant Public Debate Coach** and University of Pittsburgh/Urban Youth Action, Inc. Debate Outreach Program Lead Instructor, William Pitt Debating Union at the University of Pittsburgh.

Coaching and Directing (Duquesne University):

- August 2014-August 2016: **Advisor**, *Duquesne Debating Society*.
- August 2016-Present: **Senior Debate Consultant**, *Duquesne Debating Society*.

Professional Seminars:

- “Communicating Science in the 21st Century,” seminar conducted by Alan Gross (University of Minnesota) at the **2011 Rhetoric Society of America Institute** at the University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, 19-24 June 2011.
- “Science Controversies,” workshop conducted by Jean Goodwin (Iowa State University) at the **2011 Rhetoric Society of America Institute** at the University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, 24-26 June 2011.
- “Communication in Action: Disciplinary Applications for the 21st Century,” **NCA Doctoral Honors Seminar** with session leaders Michelle Shumate (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign), Paul Schrodtt (Texas Christian University), and John M. Sloop (Vanderbilt University), at North Dakota State University, 26-29 July 2011.
- “Argumentation,” seminar conducted by David Zarefsky (Northwestern University), Robert C. Rowland (University of Kansas), Jean Goodwin (Iowa State University), Jeanne Fahnestock (University of Maryland), and Frans H. van Eemeren (University of Amsterdam) at the **5th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute** at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, KS, 3rd-7th June 2013.
- “Bioethics and Biopolitics,” workshop conducted by Stuart J. Murray (Carleton University) and Twyla Gibson (University of Missouri) at the **5th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute** at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, KS, 7th-9th June 2013.
- “Summer Seminar in Health Care Ethics,” at The University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle, WA, 5th-9th August 2013.
- “‘The War of Words,’ A Rhetoric of Motives, and Contemporary Rhetorical Theory,” seminar conducted by Jack Selzer (Pennsylvania State University), Kyle Jensen (University of North Texas), and Krista Ratcliffe (Marquette University) at the **6th Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute** at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in Madison, WI, 1-7 June 2015.

Disciplinary Service (Communication and Healthcare):

Conferences:

- *Reviewer:* Submissions for publication in the *Proceedings of the 7th Conference on Argumentation of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation*.
- *Reviewer:* Public Address Division of the *97th National Communication Association Conference*.
- *Reviewer:* Communication Theory Division of the *2012 and 2013 Western States Communication Association Conference*.
- *Reviewer:* Rhetoric & Public Address Interest Group of the *2012 Western States Communication Association Conference*.
- *Respondent:* "The New Voice of Nationalism: Deconstructing the Political Framing of Economic Competitiveness," panel presentation at the *97th National Communication Association Conference* in the Argumentation and Forensics division, 17-20 November 2011.
- *Reviewer:* Rhetoric and Public Address Division of the *98th National Communication Association Conference* (2012).
- *Reviewer:* Rhetoric and Communication Theory Division of the *102nd National Communication Association Conference* (2016).

Journals:

- *Reviewer:* invited to review two articles for the *Journal of General Internal Medicine* (Fall, 2012; Spring, 2013).
- *Reviewer:* invited to review three articles for the *Journal of Communication & Religion* (Fall 2015; Summer 2016; Summer 2017).
- *Contributing Associate Editor* at *Timely Interventions: A Translational Journal of Public Policy Debate* (August 2015-present).

Organizational Leadership:

- Vice President, *National Educational Debate Association* (April 2016-present).