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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Foreign Language Education	University of Texas at Austin	2001 May
M.A. in Foreign Language Education	University of Texas at Austin	1996 December
B.A. in Foreign Service	Baylor University	1988 December

SCHOLARSHIP

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Chapters

2006 - "The Unstable Role of Context: A Comparison of Research Instruments" In Research as a Tool for Empowerment: Theory Informing Practice. (pp 245-275) Eds. David Schwarzer, Melanie Bloom, & Sarah Shono. Greenwich, CT: Information Age Publishing, Inc.

ABSTRACT: This chapter argues that positivistic research methods are often inadequate for capturing communication phenomena. I conducted empirical research collecting data following a positivistic design using written questionnaires and a qualitative design using interviews and video-recorded prompts. After comparing the two procedures, I found the questionnaires missed important contextual cues needed to interpret meaning.

Proceedings

2007 - "From Bite to Nip: The Dialogic Construction of Teases"

In Texas Linguistic Forum, 50. (pp 22-34) Eds. Taryne Hallett, Simeon Floyd, Sae Oshima, & Aaron Shield. Proceedings of the 14th Annual Symposium About Language and Society-Austin

ABSTRACT: This paper proposes that there is a preference for receiving teases playfully in masculine discourse. While a number of responses is available to the target, a male who manages to reframe a potentially critical comment into a humorous, or playful, comment enhances his prestige in the group as one who can take a punch, as one who has entertainment skill in the teasing ritual, and as one who knows the covert signals of intimacy common in masculine discourse.

DISSERTATION

University of Texas at Austin (2001 May) directed by Keith Walters

"The role of context in the apology speech act: A socio-constructivist analysis of the interpretations of native English-speaking college students"

ISBN: 9780493176567, UMI Publication Number: AAT 3008292

ABSTRACT: This study is an attempt to understand how context affects the perceived appropriateness of apologies by varying the amount of context given to informants. Three apology scenes from the popular television show *Party of Five* formed the basis for three instruments: a written questionnaire with just the transcript of the dialogue from the scenes, a short video instrument in which just the scene around the apology was shown, and a long video instrument in which more of the situational context was included. The three instruments were given separately to three groups and then to twenty-three individual informants who evaluated the appropriateness of each apology on a numerical scale. This study shows not only the need to increase the amount of context included in research instruments, but also the need to recognize that meaning is constructed in each unique situation.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2008 Nov HDLS 8 *High Desert Linguistics Society* (Albuquerque, NM) Co-Presented a paper from the "What's so funny?" research along with a former linguistics student, Shawn Warner
- 2006 Nov NWAV 35 *New Ways of Analyzing Variation* (Columbus, OH) Presented a paper from the "Differing Orientations" research
- 2006 Apr SALSA 14 *Symposium About Language and Society, Austin* (Austin, TX) Presented a paper from the "From Bite to Nip" research
- 2005 Jul AILA 2005 *World Congress of Applied Linguistics* (Madison, WI) Presented a paper from the "Picking on Stan" research
- 2004 May AAAL 2004 American Association of Applied Linguistics (Portland, OR) Presented a paper from the "Unstable Role of Context" research
- 2003 Mar TexFLEC 2003 *Texas Foreign Language Education Conference* (Austin, TX) Presented research from original data related to turn-taking in conversation titled: "Survival of the Quickest: The Need to Make Conversational Turn-Taking Rules Explicit"
- 2002 Mar TexFLEC 2002 *Texas Foreign Language Education Conference* (Austin, TX) Presented research related to my dissertation titled: "Comparing Positivistic and Socio-Constructivist Approaches to the Study of Speech Acts"

OTHER

Book Reviews

- 2015 Mar Linguistics for Non-Linguists (5th ed), by Frank Parker & Kathryn Riley I was asked by the publisher (Pearson Education) to review the text and make comments about revisions to be included in a new edition.
- 2011 Apr *The Discourse Reader* (3rd ed), by Adam Jaworski & Nikolas Coupland I was asked by the publisher (Routledge, a division of Taylor and Francis Group) to review the text and make comments about the cohesion of the book as a whole and about its success in including both the core readings in the topic and new innovative studies representative of the field's current direction.
- 2005 Jun *Medium or Message?: Language and Faith in Ethnic Churches,* by Anya Woods For LinguistList, an online clearinghouse for people interested in linguistics; not a peerreviewed publication (June 4, 2005) Available at: http://linguistlist.org/issues/16/16-1761.html
- 2003 Aug Grammar and Vocabulary, by Howard Jackson

For LinguistList, an online clearinghouse for people interested in linguistics; not a peerreviewed publication (August 8, 2003) Available at: http://linguistlist.org/issues/14/14-2116.html

Journal Referee

- 2006 Feb Journal of Pragmatics Refereed an article on the cross-cultural comparison of apology speech act strategies
 2004 Aug Journal of Pragmatics
 - Refereed an article on apology strategies among Jordanian Arabic speakers

Newspaper quotations

- 2010 Jul Goodykoontz, Bill (July 18, 2010) Whatch talkin' 'bout?: Movie and TV catchphrases enrich culture *The Arizona Republic*.
- 2004 Mar Minor, Christina (March 4, 2004) Say What? *Waco Tribune-Herald*. pp C1-C2 Article tracing the history of food-related idioms
- 2003 Mar Minor, Christina (March 29, 2003) Translation, please. *Waco Tribune-Herald*. pp B7-B8 Article discussing the use and role of slang among teenagers

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

International Institute for Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis (IIEMCA) – since 2006 Linguistic Politeness Research Group (LPRG) – since 2003 American Association of Applied Linguistics (AAAL) - from 2003 to 2011 Linguistic Society of America (LSA) – from 2003 to 2009

TEACHING

Baylor University

2002 Aug - present	Senior Lecturer in English Language and Linguistics:
	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics
	LING 3312 - Modern English Grammar
	LING 3315 - Language in Society
	LING 4302 - Semantics and Pragmatics
	LING 4303 - Contemporary Syntax
	LING 4316 - Cross-Cultural Linguistics
	FYS 1399 - How Language Works (Honors Seminar for Freshmen)
2001 Aug - 2002 May	Adjunct Lecturer of English Language and Linguistics
	Taught ENG 4303 - Contemporary Syntax, in the fall of 2001 and

ENG 4312 - Semantics & Pragmatics, in the spring of 2002

Teaching Recognition

2016 May Phi Beta Kappa Recognition

A student, Logan Merkle, in his induction to Φ BK designated me as a "professor who provided encouragement and guidance in helping their students attain the highest level of individual accomplishment"

- 2016 Apr Alpha Chi Faculty Recognition Award
- 2015 Apr *Phi Kappa Chi Recognition* Recognized for "enriching our lives with the light of your knowledge and encouragement"

2015 Mar	<i>Mortar Board Circle of Achievement</i> An award recognizing "outstanding teaching and meritorious service to the students of Baylor University"
2013 Apr	<i>Phi Kappa Chi Recognition</i> Recognized for "enriching our lives with the light of your knowledge and encouragement"
2008 May	<i>Phi Beta Kappa Recognition</i> Two students, Shawn Warner and Cristin McAnear, in their induction to ΦBK designated me as a "professor who has been particularly instrumental in her academic development"
2007 May	<i>Phi Beta Kappa Recognition</i> A student, Kate Altemore, in her induction to ΦBK designated me as a "professor who has been particularly instrumental in her academic development"
2007 Apr	<i>The Pulse</i> Recognized for "outstanding contributions to student scholarship"
2006 Nov	<i>Mortar Board Circle of Achievement</i> An award recognizing "outstanding teaching and meritorious service to the students of Baylor University"
2006 May	<i>Phi Beta Kappa Recognition</i> A student, Sam Binkley, in his induction to ΦBK designated me as a "professor who has been particularly instrumental in his academic development"
2005 May	Delta Delta Faculty Appreciation Award
2003 Nov	<i>Mortar Board Circle of Achievement</i> An award recognizing "outstanding teaching and meritorious service to the students of Baylor University"

English as a Second Language (ESL) Volunteer

2004 Jun - 2004 Jul	L.E.A.F. program (Waco, TX) Taught weekly ESL class at César Chávez Middle School to adult Spanish speakers
1996 Jun - 2000 Dec	<i>International Christian Fellowship</i> (UT, Austin) Taught weekly ESL classes to international students enrolled at UT, Austin
1998 July	<i>Language Learning Seminar</i> (Waco, TX) Developed materials and taught a two-day class on becoming a self-directed language learner for missionaries training to work in foreign countries
1997 Aug - 1998 May	<i>UT at Austin Learning Skills Center</i> (UT, Austin) Taught twice-weekly ESL classes on academic writing for international students enrolled at UT, Austin
1996 Jun – 1996 Jul	<i>Teaching Internship</i> (Austin, TX) Participated in eight-week internship at Texas Intensive English Program (TIEP) in Austin, TX. Assisted primary instructor in developing lesson plans and quizzes, teaching classes, and grading assignments.
1992 Sep - 1993 Dec	<i>Teacher/Missionary in Russia</i> (Ulan-Ude, Russia) Taught ESL classes at Ulan-Ude Teacher's College
1990 Jul - 1991 May	<i>Dawson Memorial Baptist Church</i> (Birmingham, AL) Taught weekly ESL classes for international students enrolled at University of Alabama, Birmingham

SERVICE

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Undergraduate Thesis Director

2017 May Daniel Nottman Title: in progress

Honors Program / ABSTRACT: In progress

2016 May Soraya Naqvi Title: Establishing leadership identity in a small group among peers

Honors Program / ABSTRACT: This thesis is a conversation analysis focusing on the discourse strategies used by a leader in a small group meeting in order to maintain interpersonal relationships and give task-oriented direction. The leadership discourse strategies accomplish relational and transactional goals, such as promoting participation, softening criticism, and delegating tasks. Examples are taken from a one-hour video-recorded meeting in order to demonstrate how the leader fulfills relational and transactional goals. Additional factors contributing to the specific leadership style in the study are considered in relation to the discourse strategies used to establish a leadership identity. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, entered medical school at UT Health San Antonio.)

2014 May Amanda Mintz Title: Who's got the power? 'Gaining' and 'granting' dominance in conversation

Honors Program / GRANT FUNDING: Amanda and I received a grant of \$3,000 to fund this project for the 2013-2014 school year from Baylor University's *Undergraduate Research & Scholarly Achievement* (URSA) office. ABSTRACT: In many interactions, one speaker will have a tendency to dominate the conversation. In linguistic theory, this notion is called "conversational dominance," and it describes one speaker's tendency to control other speakers' conversational actions during discourse. This thesis observes the conversations of two groups of university-aged friends and argues that conversational dominance is not only something that is claimed by a speaker, as prior research has defined, but instead it is something that is dialogically constructed among participants in conversation. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Amanda began a graduate program in Higher Education at Florida State University.)

2013 May Alex Weaver Title: Discourse in a medical setting: An analysis of linguistic tools used by doctors during consultations

Baylor Business Fellow / GRANT FUNDING: Alex and I received a grant of \$5,000 for the 2011-2012 school year from Baylor University's *Undergraduate Research & Scholarly Achievement* (URSA) office to fund this project. ABSTRACT: This study uses recorded consultations between doctors and patients to study what they do to communicate information effectively. Consultations between doctors and patients involve difficult linguistic negotiations. Due to the potentially embarrassing nature of the symptoms being shared, aspects of politeness would lead one to expect that patients would be hesitant to share those symptoms. However, because of the doctor's role as gatekeeper and the doctor's need for that information, the patient is more willing to share than he or she may be in normal circumstances. The doctor can employ certain linguistic tools to help the patient feel more comfortable sharing this information that will help protect the patient's positive and negative face from damage. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Alex began working as a Business Analyst at Ascension Health, a non-profit Catholic health care company)

2011 May Audrey Johnson Title: Frame incongruity misunderstanding: A conversation analysis study

Honors Program / ABSTRACT: This paper analyzes a type of miscommunication referred to here as Frame Incongruity Misunderstanding (FI misunderstanding). Goffman's (1974) frame, the participants' definition for the situation, provides the basis for this analysis. Two hours of video-

recorded data are scrutinized using Conversation Analysis (CA) methodology. From this data, two episodes which have the characteristics of an FI misunderstanding are discussed. FI misunderstandings occur when interlocutors are defining their interaction in slightly different ways, leading each to misinterpret the utterances of the other. Eventually, the misunderstanding is revealed when one of the participants makes a contribution that cannot be interpreted within the other's frame for the conversation. It is the goal of this paper to identify possible causes for the FI misunderstandings analyzed. It also describes the incongruent frames and the participants' solutions for the miscommunication. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Audrey began a graduate program in Spanish at Baylor University)

2008 May Shawn Warner Title: What's so funny?: Laughter and coping with disagreement

Honors Program / ABSTRACT: This paper discusses how laughter is used to cope with face-threatening acts (FTAs). Coping laughter works in two ways: it can either reframe the interpretation of the FTA from serious to playful, or it can add positive metamessages that override the tension of an FTA. After discussing the functions of coping laughter, three examples will be given that demonstrate how laughter is used as a resource to respond to FTAs. The data shows that coping laughter is a valuable and powerful resource in conversation that can help to defuse a disagreement by indirectly communicating a desire for social harmony and can help to reframe a tense situation as less serious. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Shawn first completed an MA in linguistics from University of Texas at Austin, then began a PhD in linguistics at University of California at Santa Barbara)

2007 May Brittany May Title: Negotiating influence: An analysis of power in conversation

Honors Program / ABSTRACT: This project analyzed a video-recorded and transcribed committee meeting and traced the shift in power between the interactants in terms of topic control and decision-making. Conversational power was found to be connected to a number of factors, one of which was the perception of a speaker's access to knowledge relevant to the immediate topic. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Brittany served for a year as a Fulbright Scholar in South Korea)

2007 May Marla Bomersbach Title: Maximum enjoyment among friends: A frame for the selection of topics in conversation

University Scholar / ABSTRACT: This paper attempts to develop a rule that guides topic selection in conversation, specifically in the situational context of casual conversation among friends. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Marla began a PhD in linguistics at University of Pittsburgh)

2006 May Christin Laroche Title: Playing at life: An analysis

Honors Program / ABSTRACT: This project used a video-recording of a group of female friends playing the board game "Life" to analyze a shift in alignment between the friends which occurred during the course of the game. The analysis closely examines major interruptions as well as minor changes in the conversation, concluding that the minor changes have a deeper and more lasting impact on the alignment of the participants than do the interruptions, even though the interruptions are more noticeable. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Christin began a PhD in linguistics at Ohio State University)

2006 May Alec Ylitalo Title: The role of pauses in turn-taking

University Scholar / ABSTRACT: This paper uses original, video-recorded data to analyze the dual role of pauses as a tool for relinquishing a turn and for emphasizing a point. (NOTE: After graduating from Baylor, Alec began a graduate degree at Brite Divinity School)

2004 Dec Erin McKinney Title: Men and women in conversation

Honors Program / ABSTRACT: This thesis explores the differences in conversational style between men and women. The prevailing view is that men tend to establish impersonal hierarchy in conversation; they negotiate and maintain status through verbal competition. Women, on the other hand, tend to establish personal connection; they negotiate and maintain relationships through rapport. The main focus of the thesis is exploring interaction between men and women and how their differing styles affect conversation.

Undergraduate Thesis Committee Member

2016 April	Shantha Nithiananda	Title:	The effects of physician voices on interpersonal communication and patience adherence
2016 April	Matthew Roberts	Title:	Towards automatic detection of article types based on text
2016 April	Carina Zuniga	Title:	Impact of Jewish feminist authors
2015 April	Zach Watters	Title:	<i>Participating phenomena, participating spirit: Implications of a sacred semiotic theory</i>
2015 April	Kandace Little	Title:	Interdisciplinary influences on systemic enlightened sexism: Changing the gender narrative
2014 July	Audrey Richardson	Title:	Code-switching in modern Indian cinema
2014 April	Ryan Smith	Title:	Coordination: A view from syntactic theory and second language acquisition
2013 Nov	Dale Price	Title:	Categorical perception as an emergent feature of general perception
2013 Oct	Elizabeth Henning	Title:	The Conspirators: A novel
2013 May	Grace Goble	Title:	The acquisition of the /-s/ morpheme in English
2013 May	Emily Tichenor	Title:	Children's discourse in a problem-solving setting: A cross-gender analysis
2010 May	Clint Pechacek	Title:	<i>Violent words: A pragmatic analysis of the conflict between</i> <i>Agamemnon and Achilles in the Illiad</i>
2009 Dec	Laura Weseman	Title:	Gesture as thought: How spontaneous, non-symbolic gesticulation facilitates language production
2009 May	Christopher Rose	Title:	Mark Twain and the jury system
2007 May	Celeste Mitchell	Title:	Haruki Murakami's LEDERHOSEN: A case study in translation
2005 May	Sarah Branstetter	Title:	The pragmatic function of stylistic devices in humor of the Old Southwest

Honors Contracts

2016 Fall	Christina Araje Joseph Clarkson Tamara Voor	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistic LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics
2016 Spring	Emily Edwards	LING 3315 – Language in Society
2015 Fall	Emily Edwards Cynthia Liu	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistic LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics
2015 Spring	Soraya Naqvi	LING 4302 – Semantics & Pragmatics
2014 Fall	Alysia Johnson Kandace Little Kelsey LaFreniere Logan Merkle	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistic LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 4316 - Cross-Cultural Linguistics

2013 Fall Spring	Amanda Mintz Christopher Holcombe	LING 4316 – Cross-Cultural Linguistics LING 4302 – Semantics & Pragmatics
2012 Spring	Grace Goble	LING 4302 - Semantics & Pragmatics
2010 Fall	Caroline Northedge	LING 4316 - Cross-Cultural Linguistics
2009 Fall Spring	Abby Worland Alyssa Leavell Christopher Rose Audrey Johnson	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistic LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 3312 - Modern English Grammar LING 4302 - Semantics & Pragmatics
2008 Fall Spring	Caroline Northedge Stacey Walter	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 3312 - Modern English Grammar
2007 Fall Spring	Kaitlin Fogelsong Veronica Schlachter Shawn Warner	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 4302 - Semantics & Pragmatics
2006 Fall	Preston Clark Shawn Warner	LING 3310 - Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 4316 - Cross-Cultural Linguistics
2003 Spring	Natalie Cory	LING 3315 - Language in Society

Honors Program Support

2011 *Honors Student Advisory Council (HSAC)* I was the guest speaker at the regular HSAC meeting for February 2011

2008 *J. Harry and Anna Jeanes Academic Honors Week* I organized a dinner in honor of the English department's two students being recognized during Honors Week as "outstanding students." I also attended the convocation with my student, Shawn Warner.

Independent Studies in Linguistics Courses

2016 Spring	<i>Kelsey LaFreniere</i> I worked with Kelsey on a research project investigating the various abilities of language found in animals. This course was designed to support her particular interest and helped her get credits while to a study abroad in Paris.
2015 Spring	<i>Soraya Naqvi</i> Soraya and I conducted a reading, research, and writing program in support of her thesis research, designed specifically to help her read more broadly in linguistics. She was BIO/pre-med and had taken few LING courses.
2014 Fall	<i>Robin Landrith</i> Robin and I conducted a reading, research, and writing program analyzing dialogue from <i>Till We Have Faces</i> by C.S. Lewis
2014 Spring	<i>Audrey Richardson</i> Audrey and I conducted a reading, research, and writing program analyzing audio- recordings of sellers at the Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, Turkey
2012 Fall	<i>Alex Weaver</i> Alex and I conducted a reading, research, and writing program analyzing dialogue from audio-recordings of doctor-patient interviews
2010 Spring	Nate Larsen

Nate and I conducted a reading, research, and writing program analyzing the speeches of Presidential candidate Barack Obama during the 2008 campaign

Scholarship Application

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UNIVERSITY

Committees	
2015-present	member of the Faculty-in-Residence Council
2012-present	member of the English Department's Student Scholarships & Awards committee
2007-present	chair of the English Department's Technology committee
2014-2015	member of <i>Professional Development Advisory Board</i> , tasked with planning curriculum and criteria for the professional development of academic advisors
2015 Mar	URSA Small Grant Committee, review applications
2014 Feb	URSA Small Grant Committee, review applications
2012 Feb	URSA Small Grant Committee, review applications
2004-2006	member of the English Department's Website Improvement committee and Computer Technology and Electronic Classroom committee
2003-2004	member of the English Department's Social Committee

Campus Living & Learning

2015-present	Faculty-in-Residence
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I serve as the Faculty-in-Residence for North Village, Texana House. This residence hall has 160 freshmen females of all different majors. My responsibilities are to host programming to support the residents' academic success, attend other community activities, and be available to encourage and support students in informal settings.

- 2015-2016 *Move-In Day Volunteer* I assisted with Move-In Day, carrying boxes and talking with students and parents
- 2007-2008 Faculty Partner

	I served as a Faculty Partner for 2 nd Floor Kokernot with Megan Baldree (CL). A Faculty Partner coordinates social activities with the hall's Community Leader (CL) and is a counseling resource and mentor for students.
2003-2007	<i>Move-In Day Volunteer</i> For 5 years, I assisted with Move-In Day
2004	<i>Faculty Partner Banquet</i> I spoke about my experience as a Faculty Partner working with Lindsey and Tim
2004	<i>Diversity Forum Speaker</i> Jeannette Marsh and I co-led a forum on sexist and racist language called "To be PC or not to be: Does political correctness get in the way of diverse relationships?"
2003-2004	<i>Faculty Partner</i> I served as a Faculty Partner for 3 rd Floor Martin with Tim Mason (CL)
2002-2003	<i>Faculty Partner</i> I served as a Faculty Partner for 6 th Floor Collins with Lindsey Deal (CL)
Student Advising2005-2016Summer Orientation - I have worked 12 summers with Joyce Miller in University Advisement to help advise and register incoming freshmen during Summer Orientation	

- 2012-2016 Linguistics Majors I currently advise 25+ LING majors each semester
- 2009 *Day of the Advisor* I served on a committee that organized the "Day of the Advisor" event on April 29,2009
- 2003-2011 Linguistics Majors I advised 5-10 LING majors each semester

Admission Services

2016 Nov	Distinguished Scholars Day – I met with prospective ENG and LING majors
2016 April	Spring Premiere - I represented the LING major in the ENG Academic Session
2015 Nov	Distinguished Scholars Day - I met with prospective LING majors
2015 Fall	<i>Campus Visits</i> – I met with 2 different students and their families to talk about Baylor and the LING program. Both students also attended one of my classes.
2015 April	Spring Premiere - I represented the LING major in the ENG Academic Session
2009-2014	Fall Premiere – I regularly represent the LING major in the ENG Academic Session
2014 Nov	Distinguished Scholars' Day – I gave a presentation on the LING major
University Service2012 FallUNV 1000 / NSEI worked with a peer-leader to teach a UNV 1000 connected to my FYS 1399 course	
2009-2010	UNV 1000 For 2 years, I led a class for new freshman which focused on helping students orient to life at Baylor
2009-2010	Welcome Week Dinner For 2 years, my wife and I hosted a group of new freshmen during Welcome Week
2006 Spring	<i>Greeter Program</i> I volunteered to call in-coming FR students to answer their questions

2004 Spring	<i>Calling Campaign</i> I volunteered to call prospective English majors to answer their questions
2003-2005	<i>Chapel Friday</i> For 3 years, I led a class for new freshman which focused on helping students orient to life at Baylor
2003 Fall	<i>Missions Emphasis Week</i> I organized, promoted and hosted a language-learning seminar led by Mike Cahill, a linguist working with Wycliffe Bible Translators
2003-2004	<i>Welcome Week Dinner</i> For 2 years, my wife and I hosted a group of new freshmen during Welcome Week

Conference Support

2014 Apr	URSA Scholar's Day session chair
2011 Apr	King James Bible 400 session chair
2005 Apr	Art & Soul Conference session chair

COMMUNITY

Board of Directors

2004-present International Service Partners

I serve on the board of directors for a Waco-based NGO that provides educational, medical, and emergency relief services to countries around the world. ISP currently has a skills-development (carpentry, weaving, etc.) school in Afghanistan, an ESL and technology school in Jordan, and a medical office in Djibouti. A new ESL school in Iraq opened in the fall of 2007. My primary responsibilities are advising the education centers and reviewing the financial accounting. Our first emergency relief project and our largest financial commitment to date is the rebuilding of a village of 90 homes in Sri Lanka destroyed by the Asian tsunami in December 2004. This project was completed in the spring of 2007.

www.servicepartners.org www.restorationvillage.org

Midway High School

2008-2015	Choir Booster Club
	For 5 years, my wife and I volunteered with the Midway High School choir booster club.
	We assisted with the annual banquet and the All-Region auditions and concert.
2009-2014	Quarterback Club
	For 5 years, my wife and I have volunteered with the Midway High School football booster
	club. We assist help with concessions at the games, team meals on the evening before
	games, snacks on game-days, and the annual banquet.

Educational

- 2002-2009 *Greater Waco Christian Home Educators Association (GWCHE)* For 8 years, my wife and I were active members of GWCHE. Our main responsibility each year was organizing standardized testing (Stanford Achievement Tests) for home school children in the Waco area.
- 2004 Jun-Jul ESL Instructor I taught ESL for adults at César Chávez Middle School with Baylor's LEAF program.

CHURCH

Youth Ministry

2010-present Sunday School Teacher for Youth

For 6 years, I have taught Sunday School for 12th graders at Highland Baptist Church.

2010-2015 Youth Camp Chaperone

For 6 years, I have gone to youth camp with Highland Baptist Church. We take approximately 100 seventh through twelfth graders to Mt Lebanon Baptist Encampment for one week in July. I stay in the cabin with the JR and SR boys, help organize their team sports, cheer for them at their events, be sure they attend the Bible Study meetings, lead discussions in the evenings, and take casualties to the emergency room.

Children's Ministry

 2007-2009 AWANA Director For 2 years, I directed five groups of 5th and 6th grade boys in weekly AWANA n AWANA is a Bible memorization and discipleship club for children. 2005-2007 AWANA Group Leader For 2 years, I led a weekly AWANA group of 3rd and 4th grade boys. 2003-2004 Sunday School Teacher I taught Sunday School for 5-year-olds during the summers of 2003 and 2004. 	
For 2 years, I led a weekly AWANA group of 3 rd and 4 th grade boys. 2003-2004 <i>Sunday School Teacher</i>	A meetings.

College Ministry

2005-2007	<i>Community Group Leader</i> For 2 years, I led a weekly, small-group Bible study for Baylor students attending Highland Baptist Church.
2005 Mar	<i>Seminar Teacher</i> I led a three-week seminar at my church on differences in male and female communication styles called "Understanding Her, Understanding Him."
2003-2004	<i>Life Group Leader</i> For 1 year, I led a weekly, small-group Bible study in my home for Baylor students attending Antioch Community Church.
Missions	

- 1992-1993 *Teacher/Missionary in Russia (Ulan-Ude, Russia)* From September 1992 to December 1993, I taught ESL classes during the day and led evangelistic and discipleship meetings in the evenings. The small meetings with new believers were eventually consolidated into a new church, which is now entirely financed and led by local believers.
- 1988 Jun-Jul BGCT River Ministry Volunteer (Marfa, TX) I served for eight weeks as an interpreter, guide, and liaison with local churches along the Mexican border as teams from Texas Baptist churches performed construction, led Vacation Bible Schools, and conducted evangelistic meetings.
- 1987 Jun-Jul *Summer Missionary (Mazatenango, Guatemala)* I helped computerize the financial and appointment systems for a free medical clinic and trained staff on the new systems.
- 1986 Jun-Aug *Youth Pastor (Birchwood Baptist Church; Birchwood, TN)* I led Bible studies and planned summer activities for the youth of the church.

1983-1985 *Summer Camp Staff (Mt Lebanon Baptist Encampment; Cedar Hill, TX)* For 3 summers, I served on the staff of a Christian camp with a variety of responsibilities from kitchen and maintenance to camp fires and hay rides.

EMPLOYMENT

Senior Lecturer of English Language and Linguistics Baylor University (Waco, TX)

- 2009 Aug present *Senior Lecturer* in English Department
- 2002 Aug 2009 Aug Full-time Lecturer in English Department
- 2001 Aug 2002 May Adjunct Lecturer in English Department

Computer Consultant RFD & Associates (Austin, TX)

- 1997 Sep 2002 Aug First National Bank of Texas (Killeen, TX) Researched and corrected software problems, developed and implemented new systems, trained users on new software features. Supported Checking Accounts system. Served on Y2K project team.
 1995 Sep - 1997 Aug Scott & White Medical Center (Temple, TX)
- 1995 Sep 1997 Aug Scott & White Medical Center (Temple, TX) Researched and corrected software problems

1994 Jun - 1995 Aug *First National Bank of Texas* (Killeen, TX) Installed new programs, developed and implemented test plans, developed training materials and conducted classes on new software

Information Systems Project Manager

1990 Jun - 1992 Jul Alltel Financial Services at SECOR Bank (Birmingham, AL) Organized schedules and coordinated personnel when installing new or upgraded software systems. Developed curriculum and directed training seminars for computer users. Developed new employee orientation and mentoring program.

1989 May - 1990 Jun Alltel Financial Services at Local Federal Savings & Loan (Oklahoma City, OK) Participated in a one-year management training program while providing technical support to the Mortgage Loan system.