Curriculum Vitae

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# David Westerman

**EXPERIENCE**

Assistant Professor North Dakota State University 2013-present

Assistant Professor West Virginia University 2008-2013

Visiting Assistant Professor West Virginia University 2007-2008

Instructor Michigan State University 2006-2007

Graduate Assistant Michigan State University 2001-2006

## EDUCATION

2007: Ph.D. in Communication, Michigan State University.

Cognate areas: Communication Technology; Social Influence.

Dissertation Title: Comparing uncertainty reduction in face-to face and computer-mediated communication: A social information processing theory perspective.

Advisor: Dr. Ron Tamborini

2003: M.A. in Communication, Michigan State University.

Thesis Title: Televised sports and GAM: An extension of the General Aggression Model.

Advisor: Dr. Ron Tamborini

2000: B.A. in Communication Studies and English (Magna Cum Laude), Niagara University.

Advisors: Dr. James Wittebols and Dr. William Martin

## PUBLICATIONS

Westerman, D., Bowman, N. D., & Lachlan, K. A. (2013). *Introduction to computer mediated communication: A functional approach.* Dubuque, IA: Kendall-Hunt. Under contract.

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Van Der Heide, B. (Accepted). Social media as news source: Recency of updates and credibility of information*. Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication.*

Ramsey, M. A., Gentzler, A. L., Morey, J. N., Oberhauser, A., & Westerman, D. (Accepted). College students’ use of communication technology with parents: Comparisons between two cohorts in 2009 and 2011*. Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking.*

Morey, J. N., Gentzler, A. L., Creasy, B. Oberhauser, A. M., & Westerman, D. (2013). Young adults’ use of communication technology within their romantic relationships and associations with attachment style*. Computers in Human Behavior, 29,* 1771-1778*.*

Kingsley Westerman, C., & Westerman, D. (2013). What’s fair?: Public and private delivery of project feedback. *Journal of Business Communication, 50,* 190-206.

Spence, P. R., Lachlan, K. A., Westerman, D., & Spates, S. A. (2013). Where the gates matter less: Ethnicity and perceived source credibility in social media health messages. *Howard Journal of Communications, 24,* 1-16*.*

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Lachlan, K. A. (2012) Telepresence and exemplification: Does spatial presence impact sleeper effects? *Communication Research Reports, 29,* 300-310.

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Van Der Heide, B. (2012). A social network as information: The effect of system generated reports of connectedness on credibility on Twitter*. Computers in Human Behavior, 28,* 190-206.

Bowman, N. D., Westerman, D., & Claus, C. J. (2012). How demanding is social media?: Understanding social media diets as a function of perceived costs and benefits—a Rational Actor Perspective. *Computers in Human Behavior, 28,* 2298-2305.

Madlock, P. E., & Westerman, D. (2011). Hurtful cyber-teasing and violence: Who’s laughing out loud? *Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 26,* 3542-3560.

Gentzler, A. L., Oberhauser, A. M., Westerman, D., & Nadorff, D. K. (2011). College students’ use of electronic communication with parents: Links to loneliness, attachment, and relationship quality. *Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking, 14,* 71-74.

Westerman, D., & Tamborini, R. (2010). Scriptedness and televised sports: Violent consumption and viewer enjoyment. *Journal of Language and Social Psychology, 29,* 321-337*.*

Westerman, D., & Skalski, P. D. (2010). Presence and computers: A ghost in the machine? In C. Bracken & P. D. Skalski (Eds.), *Immersed in media: Telepresence in everyday life* (pp. 63-86)*.* New York:Routledge.

Frisby, B. N., & Westerman, D. (2010). Rational actors: A romantic partner’s rational choices in conflict episodes. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, 27,* 970-981*.*

Lachlan, K. A., Westerman, D., & Spence, P. R. (2010). Disaster news and subsequent information seeking: Exploring the role of spatial presence and perceptual realism. *Electronic News, 4,* 203-217.

Kingsley Westerman, C., & Westerman, D. (2010). Supervisor impression management: Message content and channel effects on impressions. *Communication Studies, 61,* 585-601.

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Lachlan, K. A. (2009). Presence and exemplification effects of disaster news. *Communication Studies, 60,* 1-16*.*

Spence, P, R., Lachlan, K., A., & Westerman, D. (2009). Presence, sex and bad news: Exploring the responses of men and women to tragic news stories in varying media. *Journal of Applied Communication Research, 37,* 239-256.

Lachlan, K. A., Tamborini, R., Weber, R., Westerman, D., Davis, J., & Skalski, P. (2009). The spiral of violence: Equity of violent reprisal in professional wrestling and its dispositional and motivational features. *Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media, 53,* 56-75.

Westerman, D., Van Der Heide, B., Klein, K. A., & Walther, J. B. (2008). How do people really seek information about others?: Information seeking across Internet and traditional communication sources. *Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication, 13,* 751-767*.*

Tamborini, R., Chory, R. M., Lachlan, K., Westerman, D., & Skalski, P. (2008). Talking smack: Verbal aggression in professional wrestling. *Communication Studies, 59,* 1-19.

Walther, J. B., Van Der Heide, B., Kim, S.-Y., Westerman, D., & Tong, S. T. (2008). The role of friend’s behavior on evaluations of individuals’ facebook profiles: Are we known by the company we keep? *Human Communication Research, 34,* 28-49.

Lachlan, K. A., Blair, J. P., Skalski, P. D., Westerman, D. K., & Spence, P. (2007). Media coverage of the Cincinnati riots and implications for law enforcement public relations. *Police Forum, 16*, 12-23.

Lachlan, K. A., & Westerman, D. K. (2007). Sensation seeking and entertainment media*.* In J. J. Arnett (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of children, adolescents, and the media* (pp. 748-749)*.* Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Spence, P. R., Westerman, D., Skalski, P. D., Seeger, M., Sellnow, T. L., & Ulmer, R. R. (2006). Gender and age effects on information seeking after 9/11*.* *Communication Research Reports, 23*, 217-223.

Tamborini, R., Skalski, P., Lachlan, K., Westerman, D., Davis, J., & Smith, S. L. (2005). The raw nature of televised professional wrestling: Is the violence a cause for concern? *Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media, 49*, 202-220.

Spence, P. R., Westerman, D., Skalski, P. D., Seeger, M., Ulmer, R. R., Venette, S., & Sellnow, T. L. (2005). Proxemic effects on information seeking after the 9/11 attacks*.* *Communication Research Reports, 22*, 39-46.

**MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW**

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Lin, X. *“They will bite me when I sleep”: Telepresence and exemplification in health messages.* Manuscript under review at Communication Quarterly.

Tong, S. T., & Westerman, D. *Relational and masspersonal maintenance: Romantic partners’ use of social network websites*. Manuscript under review at Journal of Communication.

Goldman, Z. W., Westerman, D., Bowman, N. D., Cranmer, G. A., & Tom Tong, S. *Communication Privacy Management Theory and online disclosures The role of public and private spheres on Facebook*. Manuscript under review at Journal of Communication.

Odenweller, K. G., Westerman, D., & Rittenour, C. E. *Family communication patterns and online relational maintenance behaviors: College students’ relationships with their parents.* Manuscript under review at Communication Research Reports.

Spence, P. R., Westerman, D., Edwards, C., & Edwards, A. *Welcoming our robot overlords: Initial expectations about interaction with a robot*. Manuscript under review at Communication Research Reports.

### CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Tong, S. T., & Westerman, D. (2013, June). *Public and private relational maintenance in social network websites: Effects on social presence, relational satisfaction, and uncertainty*. Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, London, UK.

Goldman, Z. W., Westerman, D., Bowman, N. D., & Cranmer, G. A. (2013, April). *Communication Privacy Management Theory and message perception: Exploring the role of public and private spheres on Facebook*. Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

Goldman, Z. W., Bowman, N. D., & Westerman, D. (2013, April). “*You need to back off”: Utilizing Communication Privacy Management Theory to explore responses to public and private negative interpersonal disclosures on Facebook*. Paper presented at the Broadcast Education Association Research Symposium, Las Vegas, NV.

Odenweller, K, G., Westerman, D., & Rittenour, C. E. (November, 2012). *Communication patterns and online relational maintenance behaviors: Investigating college students’ relationships with their parents.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Orlando, FL.

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Lin, X. (November, 2012). “*They will bite me when I sleep”: Telepresence and exemplification theory in health messages.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Orlando, FL.

Kingsley Westerman, C., & Westerman D. (2012, May). *What’s fair?: Public and private delivery of project feedback.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, Phoenix, AZ.

Bowman, N. D., Westerman, D., & Claus, C. J. (2012, April). *How demanding is social media?: Understanding social media diets as a function of perceived costs and benefits—a Rational Actor Perspective*. Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Cambridge, MA (Top 3 Paper, Comm Tech).

Claus, C. J., & Westerman, D.. (2012, April). *Say it to my ”face“, not on Facebook: An examination of the effects of channel selection on message meaning*. Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Cambridge, MA.

Thoma, J., Westerman, D., & Manson, D. (2012, April). *Relational maintenance through expressed affect on Facebook*. Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Cambridge, MA.

Spates, S. A., Spence, P. R., Lachlan, K. A., & Westerman, D. (2012, March). *Where the gates matter less: Examining social media and credibility in health related content.* Paper presented at the Central States Communication Association Conference, Cleveland, OH.

Westerman, D. (2011, November). *Online interaction and relational satisfaction: The importance of skills and social presence.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Van Der Heide, B. (2011, May). *Social media as news source: Speed of updates and credibility of information.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, Boston, MA.

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Van Der Heide, B. (2010, November). *A social network as information: Twitter and source credibility in crisis communication.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Francisco, CA (Top 4 Paper, HCTD).

Westerman, D., & Meade, T. L. (2010, November). *The dating game: Cultivation effects on relational investment.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Meade, T. L., & Westerman, D. (2010, November). *Comparing cultivation theory and exemplification theory: Is a synthesis in order?* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Westerman, D., Gentzler, A., & Oberhauser, A. (2010, April). *Online interaction and psychological well-being: The role of social presence.* Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Baltimore, MD.

Claus, C. J., & Westerman, D. (2010, April). *Presence and propinquity in educational settings:*

*The importance of knowing how to use technology.* Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Baltimore, MD.

Madlock, P., E., & Westerman, D. (2010, April). *The dark side of cyber-teasing in romantic relationships: When words really do hurt.* Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Baltimore, MD.

Gentzler, A. L., Oberhauser, A. M., Westerman, D., Benchoff, J. B., & Nadorff, D. K. (2010, April). *Loneliness in college students is related to frequency of e-mail, phone, and social networking site communications.* In A. L. Gentzler (Chair), *Electronic Communication Technology and Adjustment during Adolescence*, symposium at The Conference on Human Development, New York, NY.

Westerman, D., Spence, P. R., & Lachlan, K. A. (2009, November). *When disaster strikes: Examining the role of telepresence in exemplification effects.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL.

Lachlan, K. A., Westerman, D., & Spence, P. R. (2009, November). *Examining the effect of spatial presence and perceptual realism on crisis information seeking.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL.

Kingsley Westerman, C., & Westerman, D. (2009, November). *Supervisor impression management: Message content and channel effects on impressions*. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL

Westerman, D, Spence, P. R., & Lachlan, K. A. (2009, August). *Telepresence and exemplification effects: A sleeper effect?* Paper presented at the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Conference, Boston, MA.

Madlock, P. E., & Westerman, D. (2009, April). *Cyberteasing as a component of Cyberbullying in romantic relationships: Who’s LOL?* Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA. (Top Paper, Comm Tech).

Frisby, B. N., & Westerman, D. (2009, April). *Conflict styles and communication channels in romantic relationships.* Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Westerman, D., & Spence, P. (2008, November). *Presence and exemplification effects of disaster news.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Diego, CA.

Westerman, D., & Tamborini, R. (2008, November). *Avatar usage and initial interaction: Effects of informativeness on uncertainty and liking.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Diego, CA.

Van Der Heide, B., Westerman, D., & Klein, K. A. (2008, November). *Court me on the phone, ditch me over e-mail: Do channel choices vary based on different relational affinity goals?* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Diego, CA (Top 3 Paper, HCTD).

Westerman, D. (2008, October). *Presence and computers.* Paper presented at the International Workshop on Presence, Padua, Italy.

Westerman, D., & Tamborini, R. (2008, May)*. Uncertainty reduction over time in initial stranger interactions: A social information processing theory approach.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, Montreal, PQ.

Silk, K. J., Hamel, L. M., Maloney, E., & Westerman, D. (2008, May). *Testing the effectiveness of a service learning experience on student outcomes in a communication campaign class.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, Montreal, PQ.

Spence, P, R., Lachlan, K., A., Westerman, D., & Smith, J. S. (2008, April). *Presence, gender, and bad news: Exploring the responses of men and women to tragic news stories in varying media.* Paper presented at the Eastern Communication Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

Westerman, D., Tamborini, R., & Bowman, N. D. (2007, November). *The effects of avatars on impression formation in different contexts.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL.

Walther, J. B., Kim, S.-Y., Van Der Heide, B., Westerman, D., Tong, S. T., & Langwell, L. (2007, November) *The role of friends’ behavior on evaluations of individuals’ facebook profiles: Are we known by the company we keep?* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL.

Westerman, D., Van Der Heide, B., Klein, K. A., & Walther, J. B. (2007, May). *How do people really seek information about others?: Information seeking across Internet and traditional communication sources.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Silk, K., Westerman, D., Kingsley, C., Strom, R., & Mackert, M. (2006, November). *A test of competing models:* *Mindfulness as a moderator of past behavior in the Theory of Planned* *Behavior.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Antonio, TX.

Lachlan, K., Blair, J. P., Skalski, P., Westerman, D., & Spence, P. (2006, November). *Public relations for law enforcement: Implications of the media coverage of the Cincinnati riots.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, San Antonio, TX.

Westerman, D., & Tamborini, R. (2006, June). *The effects of avatars on the use of interactive uncertainty reduction strategies.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, Dresden, Germany.

Westerman, D. (2006, April). *“It hits too close to home”: Presence and tragic entertainment*. Paper presented at the Central States Communication Association Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Westerman, D., & Tamborini, R. (2005, November). *“I don’t have to ask, I can tell you’re a dog”: The effects of avatars on initial interactional judgments*. Paper presented to the National Communication Association Conference, Boston, MA.

Tamborini, R., Westerman, D., Skalski, P., & Kotowski, M. (2005, November). *Repeated exposure to virtual video game violence: Presence and hostile thoughts.* Paper presented to the National Communication Association Conference, Boston, MA.

Silk, K., Westerman, D., Kingsley, C., & Mackert, M. (2005, November). *The role of mindfulness and past behavior in the theory of planned behavior.* Paper presented to the National Communication Association Conference, Boston, MA.

Boster, F., Baker, C., Kingsley, C., Kotowski, M., Strom, R., & Westerman, D. (2005, November). *The norm of reciprocity: Simply a favor for a favor or also an eye for an eye?* Paper presented to the 2005 National Communication Association Annual Conference, Boston, MA.

Westerman, D., & Tamborini, R. (2005, May). *Televised sports and GAM: An extension of the General Aggression Model.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, New York, NY.

Tamborini, R., Chory-Assad, R. M., Lachlan, K., Westerman, D., & Skalski, P. (2005, May). *Talking smack: Verbal aggression in professional wrestling.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, New York, NY.

Tamborini, R., Westerman, D., Kotowski, M., Skalski, P. & Hamel, L. (2004, November). *Does violent video game play impact behavior through affective routes?* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL.

Silk, K., & Westerman, D. (2004, November). *Disability status and organizational diversity: Hiring and socializing individuals with disabilities into the workplace.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL.

Skalski, P., Westerman, D., & Spence, P. (2004, November). *Presence, arousal, and the*

*experience of frightening interactive media*. Presented as part of presence

panel at the Mid Atlantic Popular and American Culture Conference, Buffalo, NY.

Crook, S. F., Worrell, T. R., Westerman, D., Davis, J. S., Moyer, E. J., & Clarke, S. H. (2004, May). *Personality characteristics associated with watching reality programming.* Paper presented at the International Communication Association Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Spence, P. R., Westerman, D., & Skalski, P. (2004, April). *Gender, age, and proximity effects on information seeking following the 9/11 attacks.* Paper presented at the Central States Communication Association Conference, Cleveland, OH. (Top Paper, Grad Student Caucus)

Skalski, P., Tamborini, R., Westerman, D., Smith, S. & Pieper, K. (2003, November). *Video game violence: Do hostile thoughts mediate the violence-aggression link?* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Miami, FL.

Lachlan, K., Tamborini, R., Westerman, D., & Skalski, P. (2003, November). *Dispositional and motivational cues associated with violent reprisal in professional wrestling: The spiral of violence.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, Miami, FL.

Tamborini, R., Skalski, P., Westerman, D., Lachlan, K. (2003, August). *The amount and context of violence in televised professional wrestling: A legitimate cause for concern?* Paper presented at the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Conference, Kansas City, MO.

Skalski, P., Tamborini, R., & Westerman, D. (2002, November). *The development of scripts through virtual environments.* Paper presented at the National Communication Association Conference, New Orleans, LA.

**INVITED TALKS**

2011 **Panelist**, “Masspersonal Communication: Negotiating the Personal, Political, and Civil”, Maryland Communication Association Annual Conference, Frostburg, MD.

2011 **Speaker**, MSU Department of Communication Bowling for Scholars Annual Event, East Lansing, MI.

2010 **Keynote Speaker**, Maryland Communication Association Annual Conference, Frostburg, MD.

**GRANT EXPERIENCE**

Principal Investigator, “Twitter and Credibility Judgments: Dissemination of Crisis Information,” application to the Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, unfunded, submitted October, 2009. [$1500].

Co-Principal Investigator, “Use of Computer-Mediated Communication in Social Relationships: A Case Study of First-Year College Students,” application to the Proposal for Interdisciplinary Research Initiative, Awards for Research Team Scholarship, unfunded, submitted March, 2008. [$44, 668].

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**West Virginia University**

2013 Summer COMM 693F, Communication and the Internet (online corporate grad)

2013 Summer COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication (online education grad)

2013 Summer COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (online, 2 sections)

2013 Spring COMM 604, Theory and Research in Persuasion (grad seminar)

2013 Spring COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

2012 Fall COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

2012 Fall COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication

2012 Summer COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication (online corporate grad)

2012 Summer COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (online, 2 sections)

2012 Spring COMM 693H, Presence (blended grad special topics course)

2012 Spring COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication (blended course)

2012 Spring COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (blended course)

2011 Fall COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication (blended course)

2011 Fall COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (blended course)

2011 Summer COMM 693F, Communication and the Internet (online corporate grad)

2011 Summer COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication (online education grad)

2011 Summer COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (online, 2 sections)

2011 Spring COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication (grad seminar)

2011 Spring COMM 105, Introduction to the Mass Media

2010 Fall COMM 404, Persuasion

2010 Fall COMM 105, Introduction to the Mass Media

2010 Summer COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication (online corporate grad)

2010 Summer COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (online, 2 sections)

2010 Spring COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication (grad seminar)

2010 Spring COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

2010 Spring COMM 105, Introduction to the Mass Media

2009 Fall COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

2009 Fall COMM 105, Introduction to the Mass Media

2009 Summer COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

2009 Summer COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (online)

2009 Spring COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication (grad seminar)

2009 Spring COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

2008 Fall COMM 105, Introduction to the Mass Media (2 sections)

2008 Fall COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

2008 Summer COMM 425, Computer-Mediated Communication (online)

2008 Summer COMM 625, Computer-Mediated Communication

2008 Spring COMM 105, Introduction to the Mass Media (2 sections)

2007 Fall COMM 105, Introduction to the Mass Media

2007 Fall COMM 201, Communication Theory/Research II (Research Methods)

2007 Fall COMM 405W, Effects of Mediated Communication

**Michigan State University**

2007 Spring COM 475, Communication Campaign Design and Analysis

2006 Fall COM 375, Audience Response to Media Entertainment

2005 Summer COM 275, Effects of Mass Communication

2004 Summer COM 375, Audience Response to Media Entertainment

2003 Summer COM 200, Methods of Communication Inquiry

2002 Summer COM 100, Human Communication

### AWARDS AND HONORS

2012 **Top Paper Award,** International Society of Presence Researchers Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA

2012 **Top Paper Award,** Comm Tech Division, Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Cambridge, MA

2011 **Top Cited Article,** Human Communication Research, 2010

2010 **Top Paper Award**, Human Comm and Tech Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

2009 **Top Paper Award,** Comm Tech Division, Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

2008 **Top Paper Award,** Human Comm and Tech Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.

2006 **Recipient,** G. R. Miller Award, Department of Communication, Michigan State University

2006 **Recipient,** Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Michigan State University, $6000

2005 **Participant,** NCA Doctoral Honors Seminar, Mass Communication Division, Oklahoma City, OK.

2004 **Top Paper Award,** Graduate Student Caucus, Central States Communication Association Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH.

2001-2005 **Recipient,** University Distinguished Fellow, Michigan State University

**GRADUATE COMMITTEES**

2008-2009 **Advisor,** Thomas Meade, M. A.

2008-2009 **Member,** Paul Madlock, Ph. D.

2009-2012 **Member,** Brian Creasy, Ph. D. (outside member, Department of Psychology, WVU)

2011-2013 **Member,** Lori Vela, Ph. D.

2011-present **Member,** Sara Green-Hamann, Ph. D. (outside member, University of Maine)

2012-present **Member**, Michael Sollitto, Ph. D. (outside member, West Virginia University)

## SERVICE ACTIVITIES

2012-2013 **Vice-President**, Comm Tech Division, ECA

2011-2013 **Member**, Ph.D. Committee, Department of Communication Studies, West Virginia University

2012-2013 **Member**, Associate Editorial Board, Communication Studies

2012-2013 **Member**, Editorial Board, Electronic News

2012-2013 **Member**, Editorial Board, Communication Research Reports

2012-2013 **Member**, Editorial Board, Communication Education

2012 **Member**, Guest Editorial Board, Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication Special Issue (Joe Walther, editor)

2012 **Ad hoc reviewer**, Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication

2012 **Ad hoc reviewer,** Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking

2012 **Ad** **hoc reviewer**, Communication Studies

2012 **Ad hoc reviewer**, Media Psychology

2012 **Ad hoc reviewer,** Communication Quarterly

2011 **Paper Reviewer**, Communication and Technology Division, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ..

2011 **Paper Reviewer**, Communication and Technology Division, Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Cambridge, MA.

2011 **Paper Reviewer**, Theory and Method Division, Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Cambridge, MA.

2011 **Paper Reviewer,** Human Communication and Technology Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

2011 **Ad hoc reviewer**, Communication Theory

2011 **Ad hoc reviewer,** Communication Studies

2011 **Ad hoc reviewer**, Information, Communication, and Society

2011 **Ad hoc reviewer,** Journal of Language and Social Psychology

2011 **Ad hoc reviewer,** Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking

2011 **Ad hoc reviewer**, Media Psychology

2011 **Member**, Editorial Board, Communication Research Reports

2011 **Member**, Editorial Board, Communication Education

2010 **Member**, Editorial Board, Communication Research Reports

2011-2012 **Secretary**, Communication and Technology Division. Eastern Communication Association

2010-2011 **Member**, Search Committee, Department of Communication Studies, West Virginia University

2010 **Panel Respondent**, “We’ve got game: Game interaction and personal relationships”. Interpersonal Communication Division. Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD.

2010 **Panel Chair**, “Multiculturalism and the internet: It’s world-wide impact”. Communication and Technology Division. Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD.

2010 **Panel Chair**, “A glimpse of the new media horizon: Current studies of the concept of presence”. Communication and Technology Division. Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD.

2010 **Member**, Technology committee, Department of Communication Studies, West Virginia University

2010 **Paper Reviewer,** Human Communication and Technology Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

2010 **Ad hoc Reviewer,** Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking

2010 **Ad hoc Reviewer**, Social Networks

2010 **Ad hoc Reviewer,** Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication

2010 **Ad hoc Reviewer**, Media Psychology

2010 **Ad hoc Reviewer,** Communication Education

2010 **Paper Reviewer**, Communication and Technology Division, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Boston, MA.

2010 **Paper Reviewer**, Game Studies Interest Group, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Boston, MA.

2010 **Paper Reviewer**, Communication and Technology Division, Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Arlington, VA.

2009 **Member**, Special Issue Editorial Board, The Northwest Journal of Communication.

2009 **Paper Reviewer**, Communication and Technology Division, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Singapore.

2009 **Paper Reviewer**, Game Studies Interest Group, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Singapore.

2009 **Paper Reviewer**, Communication and Technology Division, Eastern Communication Association Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD

2009 **Member**, Technology committee, Department of Communication Studies, West Virginia University

2009 **Library Representative**, Department of Communication Studies, West Virginia University.

2009 **Paper Reviewer,** Human Communication and Technology Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

2009 **Paper Reviewer,** Mass Communication Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

2009 **Ad hoc Reviewer,** Communication Education

2009 **Ad hoc Reviewer**, Media Psychology

2008 **Member**, Technology committee, Department of Communication Studies, West Virginia University

2008 **Library Representative**, Department of Communication Studies, West Virginia University.

2008 **Paper Reviewer**, Communication and Technology Division, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

2008 **Paper Reviewer**, Game Studies Division, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

2008 **Paper Reviewer,** Human Communication and Technology Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.

2008 **Ad hoc Reviewer,** Media Psychology

2008 **Ad hoc Reviewer,** Communication Education

2008 **Ad hoc Reviewer,** Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication

2007 **Reviewer**, Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication, Special Issue.

2007 **Paper Reviewer,** Human Communication and Technology Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

2006 **Paper Reviewer**, Mass Communication Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX.

2006 **Paper Reviewer,** Human Communication and Technology Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX.

2006 **Member,** Search Committee, Department of Communication, Michigan State University

2006 **Paper Reviewer,** Video Game Interest Group, International Communication Association Annual Conference, Dresden, Germany.

2005 **Reviewer**, Mass Communication Division, National Communication Association Annual Conference, Boston, MA.

2005 **Member,** Doctoral Affairs Committee, Department of Communication, Michigan State University

2004 **Co-Chair,** MSU *Bowling for Scholars* Charity Event.