# Katherine B. Rigsby

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### **EDUCATION**

#### Clemson University, Clemson, SC PhD Student in Rhetorics, Communication, and Information Design (RCID) 2021-Present

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL Master of Arts in Corporate and Public Communication December 2004 Thesis: "Audience Perceptions of the Ethicality and Acceptability of Street Level Viral Marketing"

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL **Bachelor of Arts in Communication** Major Concentration: Public Relations Minor Concentration: International Studies

### TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL International Studies Program

#### Academic Advisor

Provided academic advising, guidance and support for 50+ International Studies majors by planning schedules, recommending resources, and processing transient credit approval forms for study abroad.

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL Department of Communication

#### **Dual Enrollment Instructor**

Teach introduction to communication to students enrolled in Mobile County Public School System through the Start South Dual Enrollment Program.

### **Senior Instructor**

Teach courses in communication studies including intro to communication, basic public speaking, honors public speaking, argumentation, interpersonal communication, rhetoric, culture & society, small group communication, intercultural communication. Advise undergraduate students.

### Instructor

August 2010-August 2017 Taught courses in communication studies including intro to communication, basic public speaking, honors public speaking, argumentation, interpersonal communication, small group communication. Supervised two graduate teaching assistants who were assigned to me each semester. Advised undergraduate students.

#### **January 2020-July 2021**

August 2017-Present

August 2020-Present

# **July 2002**

## **Instructor and Co-Course Director**

Taught courses in communication studies including intro to communication, basic public speaking, honors public speaking argumentation, interpersonal communication, small group communication, and directed study. Served as Co-Course Director for the public speaking program. Supervised and trained 10 Graduate Teaching Assistants per semester. Advised undergraduate students. Served as Faculty Advisor to three different student organizations.

### **Adjunct Instructor**

August 2004-December 2004 Taught courses in communication studies including basic public speaking, argumentation, and small group communication. Served as Interim Co-Course Director for the public speaking program. Supervised and trained 10 Graduate Teaching Assistants.

### **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Collaborated on curriculum and exam development for basic public speaking course. Listened to and evaluated speeches. Graded all assignments and determined final grades.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

America's Junior Miss (now Distinguished Young Women), Mobile, AL

### **Public Relations Intern**

Created and maintained scrapbook of press clippings. Wrote press releases. Developed PowerPoint presentation to be accessed by employees on the AJM website. Assisted with various tasks as needed.

RELATED EXPERIENCE	
Academic Consulting/Textbook Reviews	
McGraw-Hill	
Board of Advisors, New Product Development	2019
Pearson/Longman Publishing	
Reviewer, Good Reasons with Contemporary Arguments, 5e.	2010
Allyn & Bacon Publishing	
Faculty Advisory Board, The DK Guide to Public Speaking.	2009-2010

# LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

USA Graduate Medical Education Program Coordinators' Retreat, "Developing Organizational Skills." University of South Alabama Center for Healthy Communities Saturday Academies, "Competence in Communication." Guest Lecturer for Ms. Stephanie Gillis, CAS 100, New Student Seminar, "The Gift Of Speech." Guest Lecturer for Ms. Stephanie Gillis, CAS 100, New Student Seminar, "Professional Presentations." Guest Lecturer for Ms. Yolande Sims, CAS 100, New Student Seminar, "Better Public Speaking." Petal Brown Bag Lunch, "Teaching with Facebook." Guest Lecturer for Dr. Elizabeth Kennedy, AHP 101, New Student Seminar In Allied Health: "Public Speaking Tips." University of South Alabama Center for Healthy Communities Saturday Academies, "Propriety In Society."

University of South Alabama Center for Healthy Communities Saturday Academies, "Competence in Communication."

### January 2005-August 2010

### **January 2003-May 2004**

2001

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Alabama Communication AssociationJuly 2012GIFTS Presentation: I Lost on Jeopardy! Using a Popular Quiz Show toJuly 2012Prepare Students for ExamsJuly 2012

### ACADEMIC SERVICE

Event Organizer for Communication Day Bay Area Food Bank Student Vs. Faculty Canned Food Drive Volunteer Move-In Day Volunteer JagFest Volunteer Southbound Orientation Volunteer USA College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Final Grade Grievance Committee USA College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Academic Standards Committee USA College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Scholarships Committee USA College of Arts and Sciences Diversity Committee USA College of Arts and Sciences Gender Studies Committee Faculty Advisor for Communication Student Association Faculty Advisor for Honors Program Organization Faculty Advisor for USA Toastmasters Club Faculty Advisor for The Public Relations Student Society Departmental Representative for Annual Fund Departmental Representative for USA Day Departmental Representative for Get Acquainted Day USA Department of Communication Committee Assignments: Alumni, Events, Public Relations, Advising, Curriculum, Diversity, Planning and Promotion, Peer Evaluation, Facilities, Undergraduate Studies, Academic Standards, High School Public Speaking Contest

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Optimist Club Zone Oratorical Speech Contest	2019
Mary G. Montgomery High School Speech Contest Judge	2014
E.R. Dickson Elementary School Reading Assistant	2008-2009
Make-A-Wish Foundation Wish Granter	2007-2009

### AWARDS AND HONORS

Certificate of Appreciation, Faculty Advisor, Toastmasters International2007Inez Kaiser Award; Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication2004

### MEMBERSHIPS

Common Ground Research Networks: Global Studies