

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION:

Ph.D.	Kent State University	2002
Dissertation:	“Working Out Our Salvation: An Ethnographic Study of Two Literacy Practices of Anabaptist Women”	
Concentration:	Rhetoric & Composition	
Advisor:	Margaret Shaw, Associate Professor	
Co-Advisors:	Maggie Anderson, Professor Martin McKoski, Professor, University of Akron Richard Feinberg, Professor, Anthropology The University of Akron	
M.A.	Kent State University	1994
B.A. English	Kent State University	1994
B.S. Rhetoric/Communication	Kent State University	1994
		Summa Cum Laude
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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

#### Eastern Mennonite University—Fall 2006-Present

Advanced Writing  
Academic & Professional Writing  
Introductory College Writing for Transition  
College Writing  
Literary Theory  
Nigeria Cross-cultural Studies  
Peer Tutoring Practicum I, II, III  
Reading & Writing I  
Speech: Exploring Voice in Vocation  
Expository Writing  
Argumentative Writing  
Rhetoric of the Natural & Social Sciences  
Ethnic Women’s Literature of the Americas  
Professional Writing  
CCSSC: Culture & Identity  
University Research

Enrollment in campus course “Diversity Responsible Teaching” as part of NSF/STEM Grant 2016-2017

#### Kent State University—Stark, Fall 2002-Spring 2006

#### Kent State University—Salem, 2000-2001

Cuyahoga Community College, Spring 1999, Spring 2000

**STUDENT-REQUESTED SERVICE**

Leader of EMU Student Book Discussion	Sp 2020
Faculty Advisor, Student Government Association	2008-2019
Prayer Partner for Student Community Advisor	2012-2014
Invited faculty for Earthkeepers event/Annual Food & Farming Week member, Peyton Erb	Fall 2011 MST team Summer 2011-2012
Prayer Partner for Student Community Advisor	2010-2011
Faculty forum member	Fall 2010
December graduation speaker/selected by students	Fall 2010
Chapel speaker	Fall 2008
Student internship director for Writing Studies major	2011-present

**ADMINISTRATIVE/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

Eastern Mennonite University

Academic Accountability Representative	Aug. 2021-present
Academic Success Center, Director	Aug. 2020-present
Writing Program, Director	May 1, 2007-present
Chair, Writing Program Committee	2006-present
Academic Council	2020-present
Co-chair, Center for Teaching & Learning	2020-present
Co-President, Faculty Senate, elected	2018-2020
Faculty Senate, elected position	2016-2020
Design Team, co-chair	2018-2019
Restructuring Transition Team, invited faculty representative	2019-2020
Strategic Planning Task Force	2019
Department Chair, Language & Literature	August 1, 2007-Sp 2013, 2017-2020
Undergraduate Council Committee	2007-2013, 2017-2019
Executive Committee/UGC (Formerly GVC/Dean's Committee)	Fall 2009-present
Co-chair of University Design Team	2018, Spring & Fall
Faculty Status Committee, affirmed by faculty	2016-2019
Education Dept search committee member	2018
Academic Subcommittee of Faculty Senate	2016-2018
Planning Committee member, Marpeck Deans conference	Spring 2016
<i>The Conrad Grebel Review</i> , consulting editor, 6-year term	2015-present
Mentor New Faculty Member	2015-2016
Faculty Status Committee, one-semester substitute	Spring 2013, Fall 2015
Member, C. Henry Smith Oratorical Contest Committee	2006-2019
Assessment in Action Academic Librarians & Student Success, program team member	2014-present
Feminist Caucus/ was Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession	2007-2019
Ex officio position on Feminist Caucus (was Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession-invitation	2015-2019
Women's Network SIG leader supported by Feminist Caucus/CCCC	2015-2019
Co-chair Feminist Workshop/CCCC	2018-2019
Council of Writing Program Administrators Breakfast Committee for CCCC	2011-2016
Book Reviewer, Writing Program Administration	2007-present
Leader, Kairos Place faculty writing retreat	2010-present
Reviewer for <i>Kairos: A Journal of Rhetoric, Technology, and Pedagogy</i>	Spring 2011-present
Reviewer for <i>Composition Forum</i>	2010-2019
Reviewer for <i>Issues in Writing</i>	2008-2019
Quality Service Award Selection Committee	2015-2018

MSN Writing Workshop, Harrisonburg & Lancaster campuses	Aug 2013 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
Subcommittee to choose 3-year Senior Seminars	Fall 2012
Friendship Family for Chinese Scholars	2012, 2015
Consultant for writing curriculum development, Christian Light Publications	2011-2012
Faculty Senate representative to Undergraduate Council	2011-2012
Interviewer at CCCC for DALN project: Women's Lives in the Profession video and oral history project to document women in the profession, response to a call from AAUP	Spring 2011 Reviewed
<i>The Oxford Guide for Writing Tutors</i>	Spring 2014
Reviewed <i>The Everyday Writer</i> , writing handbook	Spring 2014
Reviewed <i>The New World Reader: Thinking &amp; Writing about the Global Community</i> , ed., Wadsworth Publishing, 2011	Spring 2011 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Reviewed sustainability manuscript for Oxford University Press	Spring 2013
Reviewed <i>After Identity: Mennonite/s Writing in North America</i> for Penn State UP	Spring 2013
Centennial Subcommittee: Student Involvement	Spring 2011-2012
Proposal reader for 2011 & 2012 CWPA Council of Writing Program Admin. Conferences	Spring 2011 & 12
Cords of Distinction Committee member	Spring 2011
Advisory Committee Member: Mennonite/s Writing, EMU, March 2012	Spring 2011-2012
Member, Search Committee, Librarian	Fall 2010
Women's Lives in the Profession Project: Subcommittee CSWP	2010-2012
Quality of Life Committee, Senate member	2009-2012
Chair, Quality of Life Committee	2009-2010
Member, Publication Committee, Council of Writing Program Administrators	2010-2011
Member, Search Committee, Education Department	Spring 2009-2010, 2018
Outside Evaluator for Bluffton University Research Center/faculty proposals	Spring 2009
Task Chair, Academic Integrity Policy, Faculty Senate	2008-2009
Dean's Committee	Fall 2008-Sp 2009
Chair, Search Committee, Language & Literature Department—Lang	Fall 2008, 2010, 2011
Chair, Search Committee, Language & Literature Department—Lit	Spring 2008
Member, Search Committee, Theater Department	Spring & Fall 2008
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee, Academic Integrity Policy Revision	Spring 2008
Member, Faculty Senate (elected position)	2008-2012
Academic Committee, Senate member	2008-2009
Global Village Curriculum Committee/EMU Core	2007-2009
Committee on Teacher Education	2007-2013, 2017-present

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- √ Book-length manuscript based upon Old Order Amish Women's Literacies. √  
Book-length memoir.

## PUBLICATIONS & Book Reviews:

*The Red Pop Beads*. Pre-school and early reader children's book. Masthof Publishing. January 2021.

"Building a Campus Writing Culture: It Takes a Village"(vignette about Writing Across the Curriculum programs) in D. Metzler, M. Cox, & J. Galin, eds. *Sustainable WAC: A Whole Systems Approach to Launching and Developing WAC Programs*, NCTE, 2018.

Invited book review, Richard A. Sevick's 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. *Growing Up Amish: The Rumspringa Years, Brethren in Christ History and Life*, Dec. 2016. <http://bic-history.org/journal-articles/growing-up-amish/>

Violet A. Dutcher. REX: The Research Exchange Index, *WAC Clearing House*, Colorado State University. The REX is a searchable database of researchers' and authors' peer-reviewed reports on contemporary research. It includes 60 colleagues representing 80 individual research reports.

Invited book review, Shirley Hershey Showalter's *Blush* for *Mennonite Quarterly Review* Oct. 2014.

Invited book review from Herald Press for Saloma Miller Furlong's latest book, *Bonnet Strings: An Amish Woman's Ties to Two Worlds*. Feb. 2014. <http://salomafurlong.com/purchase>.

"Feel how soft her hair is': Amish Women's Practices on the Female Body." Chapter in collection *Women and the Material Culture of Death*. Eds. Beth Fowkes Tobin and Maureen Daly Goggin. Ashgate Publishing, 2013.

"Sisyphus Rolls On: Reframing Women's Ways of "Making It" in Rhetoric and Composition" in *Harlot: A Revealing Look at the Arts of Persuasion*, in collaboration with Kirsten Bivens, City Colleges of Chicago; Eileen Schell, Syracuse University; Martha M. Canter; Kirsti Cole, Minnesota State University; Morgan Gresham, Texas Tech University; and Luisa Rodriguez-Connal; online live October 15, 2013.

"Assessing the Effects of Faculty and Staff Writing Retreats: Four Institutional Perspectives" in collaboration with Ellen Schendel (Grand Valley State University), Claudine Griggs (Rhode Island College), and Susan Callaway (U of St. Thomas) Chapter in edited collection *Working With Faculty Writers*, Anne Ellen Geller & Michelle Eodice, eds., Utah State University Press, 2013.

Requested Book Review on *This Hidden Thing* for *Mennonite Quarterly Review*. Oct. 2011.

Review for *Kairos: A Journal of Rhetoric, Technology, and Pedagogy*. Online. August 2011.  
<http://kairos.technorhetoric.net/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/CCCCReviews/Home>

"Learning Politics in First Grade" invited prose submission for publication in an anthology, *After the Bell*, a collection of prose pieces about school, The University of Iowa Press, August, 2007. Reprinted with permission in *Crossroads*, Summer 2010.

"Hurry Back!': The Circle Letter as Communal Liaison in Anabaptist Female Literacy Practice" The Center for Mennonite Writing Website, maintained by Ervin Beck, Goshen College, July 2009.  
[www.mennonitewriting.org](http://www.mennonitewriting.org)

"Grandma's Sugar Cookies" *Hunger and Thirst: Food Literature*, anthology ed. Nancy Cary, City Works Press, October 2008.

"Learning Politics in the First Grade," *After the Bell: Contemporary American Prose about School*, Eds. Maggie Anderson & David Hassler, University of Iowa Press, 2007.

"The Enduring Strength of Recovered and Traditional Stories." *Magistra: A Journal of Women's Spirituality in History* Winter 2006.

"Book Review" of *Countryside Cooking and Chatting*, published by Herald Press, 2006 in *Mennonite Weekly Review* and *Canadian Mennonite*

"Autoethnography." *Encyclopedia of Women's Autobiography*. Eds. Victoria Boynton and Jo Malin. 2 vols. Greenwood Press, 2005.

“Writing Without the ‘Protection of Angels’: Notes from the Middle Voice.” *Feminism/s* 4 (2004): 39-59.

“Writing Community Boundaries.” *Anabaptist-Mennonite Scholars Network Newsletter* 7.1 Spring 2004.

**PROFESSIONAL HONORS:**

Sabbatical Award	Spring 2021
Faculty Release Time Award 2016-2017	Spring 2017
Sabbatical Award	Spring 2014
Kreider Fellow, Young Center for Anabaptist & Pietist Studies	Spring 2014
Faculty Release Time Award 2011-2012—Eastern Mennonite University	Spring 2012
Summer Teaching Grant—Eastern Mennonite University	2008
Quality Service Award	Spring 2008
Summer Teaching Grant—Eastern Mennonite University	2007
Faculty Release Time Award 2007-2008—Eastern Mennonite University	2007

**Kreider Scholar Lecture:**

Sabbatical: “Old Order Amish Women’s Literacy Practices: ‘I Bet This Thing Would Really Go’”  
Young Center, Elizabethtown College  
20 February 2014

**CONFERENCE PARTICIPANT:**

72<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Composition and Communication 2021  
Virtual

CCCC Regional Conference 2020  
Building Diverse Communities Through Writing  
University of Southern California, Dec. 2020

Feminisms and Rhetorics Conference  
Harrisonburg, VA, James Madison University, November 2019

Mid-Atlantic CCCC (Conference on College Composition & Communication)  
Richmond, VA, Virginia Commonwealth University, June 2017

Planning Committee Member  
Mennonite Higher Education Conference/Marpeck Deans  
Bethel College, North Newton, KS, May 2016

Blue Ridge Symposium: Inclusive ESL Classrooms  
VTech, Blacksburg, VA, Feb. 2015

Mid-Western Writing Centers Association conference  
JMU, Harrisonburg, VA, April 2015

Chair, Panel on Academic Writing: “Conflict as Space for Agency”  
SIG: Status of Women in the Profession  
Committee member: Committee on Status of Women in the Profession  
63<sup>rd</sup> Conference on Composition and Communication  
St. Louis, MO, March 2012

Panel Moderator

International Writing Centers Association /National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing  
Baltimore, Maryland, November 2010

Council of Writing Program Administrators Conference

Philadelphia, PA, July 2010

Managing Multiple Roles and Responsibilities

Ninth Annual CIC Workshops for Department and Division Chairs

Cincinnati, OH, May 2010

Special Interest Group Presentation: Status of Women in the Profession

61<sup>st</sup> Conference on Composition and Communication

Louisville, Kentucky, March 2010

7th Annual Workshop for Department and Division Chairs

The Council of Independent Colleges

Atlanta, Georgia, May 2008

17<sup>th</sup> Annual Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts

Macon, Georgia, October 2007

Association of Departments of English Summer Seminar

Kiawah Island, South Carolina 2007

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lilly Conference on College Teaching

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, November, 2003

University Teaching Council Conference

Kent, Ohio, October, 2002

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:**

Women's Network Special Interest Group leader for the Feminist Caucus

70<sup>th</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication

Pittsburgh, PA, March 2019

Women's Network Special Interest Group leader for the Feminist Caucus

69<sup>th</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication

Kansas City, MO, March 2018

“Old Order Amish Women Writing Themselves”

Crossing the Line: Women of Anabaptist Traditions Encounter Borders and Boundaries Harrisonburg,

VA, June, 2017

Women's Network Special Interest Group leader for Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession 68<sup>th</sup>

Conference on College Composition and Communication

Portland, OR, March 2017

“Love, Intimacy, and Care in Old Order Amish Women's Places”

Mennonite Higher Education Conference/Marpeck Deans  
Bethel College, North Newton, KS, May 2016

Women's Network Special Interest Group leader for Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession 67<sup>th</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication  
Houston, TX, April 2016

Presenter in Panel "Gendered Risks and Rewards in The New Job Market(s): Changing Positions, Changing Locations"  
66<sup>th</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication  
Tampa, FL, March 2015

"Common Writing Rubric and Assessment"; Presenter in Roundtable discussion: "WAC and WID Reformulated: Alternative Programming, Reading, Writing, and Assessment for Authentic Composition"  
65<sup>th</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication  
Indianapolis, IN, March 2014

"Teaching is serious": *Blackboard Bulletin* 'bears fruit' for the Amish Church"  
Amish America: Plain Technology in a Cyber World  
Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA, June 2013

*Faculty as Writers: Envisioning Writing Center Services for Faculty* panel presenter  
International Writing Centers Association Conference  
San Diego, CA, October 2012

"The Basic Writing Classroom: Creating a Space to Learn" for panel titled *Writing Through All Languages* Council of Writing Program Administrators Conference  
Albuquerque, NM, July 2012

"The Amish and Mennonite Women's Tradition" for panel titled *We've Come this Far By Faith: Women's Literacy, Activism, and Faith Practices*  
62<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Composition and Communication  
Atlanta, Georgia, April, 2011

"Lions and Tigers and Bears! Oh my!" Cross-Cultural Students and Perceptions of Cultural Adaptability  
EMU Faculty Conference  
Harrisonburg, VA, August 2010

Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession SIG & members meeting  
61<sup>st</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication  
Louisville, Kentucky, March 2010

Invited Poetry Reading reader and Panel presenter  
Wick Poetry Center 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
Kent State University, March 2009

Invited EMU presenter  
Mennonite University Faculty Conference  
EMU, Harrisonburg, Virginia, August 2008  
*Available online in pdf version and WMA audio streaming:* "How Does the Incarnate Word Affect my Scholarship?" Mennonite Education Agency [www.MennoniteEducation.org/2008MUFC](http://www.MennoniteEducation.org/2008MUFC).

Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession members meeting  
59<sup>th</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication  
New Orleans, Louisiana, March 2008

“The Composition Classroom: Sites of Feminist Transformation”  
58<sup>th</sup> Conference on College Composition and Communication  
New York City, March 2007

“‘Hurry Back!’: The Circle Letter as Communal Liaison in Anabaptist Female Literacy Practice” Mennonite/s Writing: Beyond Borders  
Bluffton, Ohio, October 2006

“Negotiating the Middle Voice: Mennonite Female Students Writing the Academy”  
57<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on College Composition and Communication  
Chicago, Illinois, March 2006

Poster Session: “The Circle Letter as Constructed Community: Amish and Mennonite Female Gendered Literacy Practice”  
University Teaching Council Conference  
Kent, Ohio, October 2004

“The Impact of Gender Bias on Student Service-Learning Rhetoric”  
Thomas R. Watson Conference  
Louisville, Kentucky, October 2004

“Writing Without the ‘Protection of Angels’: Notes from the Middle Voice”  
25<sup>th</sup> Annual National Women’s Studies Association Conference  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June, 2004

“Starbucks, Sheetz, e-Bay, and School: Engaging Today’s Students” presented by panel of Teaching Scholars  
Lilly Conference on College Teaching – West  
Pomona, California, March, 2004

“‘Hurry Back!’: The Circle Letter as Communal Liaison in Anabaptist Female Literacy Practice”  
Feminism(s) and Rhetoric(s) Conference  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, October 2003

“‘Hurry Back!’: The Circle Letter as Female Rhetorical Liaison in Anabaptist Communities”  
Penn State Conference on Rhetoric and Composition  
State College, Pennsylvania, July 2003

“‘The act of writing brings the world together’: Diversity in the English Composition Classroom”  
Association for University Regional Campuses of Ohio Conference  
Clermont, Ohio, April, 2003

“The Circle Letter as Constructed Community: Anabaptist Female Gendered Literacy Practice”  
Annual Conference on College Composition and Communication  
New York City, March, 2003

“Rhetoric as Performance in Anabaptist Literacy: Amish Women’s Discourse As Seen Through Recipes”  
Conference of the Rhetoric Society of America  
Washington, D.C., May, 2000



“Charting a Course Through the Medical Workplace: The Medical Chart as Literate Practice and Technology”  
Thomas R. Watson Conference on Rhetoric & Composition  
Louisville, Kentucky, October, 1998

“Doctor and Patient Interaction: An Appointment for the Gendered Construction of Alignment”  
Annual Conference of the Association of Graduate English Students  
Kent, Ohio, April 1998

“The Materiality of Literacy at Work: Literate Practice and Technology in the Workplace”  
Annual Conference on College Composition and Communication  
Chicago, Illinois, March, 1998

“Social Subjects: Constructing Social Practice Through Texts”  
Penn State Conference on Rhetoric and Composition  
State College, Pennsylvania, July 1997

“Literacy in the Workplace: The Construction of Disjunction in Cultural Practice”  
Annual Conference of the Association of Graduate English Students  
Kent, Ohio, April 1997

“The Materiality of Women’s Discourse As Seen Through Recipes”  
Annual Graduate Student Senate Research Colloquium  
Kent, Ohio, April 1997

“Amish Literacy: Site of Commodified Culture”  
Spring Conference of the College English Association of Ohio  
Columbus, Ohio, April 1997

“Textual Authority: The Rhetorical Politics of Thomas Nashe”  
Annual Conference on College Composition and Communication  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin, March 1996

“The Rhetoric of the Mennonites and Friends Against the Vietnam and Gulf Wars” and  
“Relativistic and Adaptive Teaching Strategies in a Free Speech Class”  
Speech Communications Association  
New Orleans, Louisiana, November 1994

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

Anabaptist-Mennonite Scholars Network  
Association of Rhetoric & Writing Studies  
The Council of Writing Program Administrators  
International Writing Across the Curriculum Programs  
Mid-Atlantic Writing Centers Association  
National Council of Teachers of English  
Southeastern Writing Center Association  
Virginia Writing Center Association  
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

Church and Community Service:  
Delegate from PVMC to MC USA

2022-present

SS Wellness Coordinator	2018-present
Education Grant Committee (PVMC)	Fall 2015-2018
Committee member Sister church relationships with Christian Baptist Church, New Orleans	Fall 2011-2013
Church Council member, elected, Park View Mennonite Church	Fall 2008-Sum 2011
Small group leader, Park View Mennonite Church	Fall 2007-present
Sunday School teaching team for Logos Class, Park View MC	Fall 2007-present
Shalom Class lecture: "Inventing the Truth: Literature in our Faith Journey"	8 March 2009
Personnel Committee/Church Council, Park View Mennonite Church	Fall 2008-2009
Lay Delegate to Ohio Conference/Mennonite Church USA	2001-05 Church Council
Secretary/Lee Heights Community Church	
Peace & Justice Committee, Lee Heights Community Church	1999-01
Voluntary teaching service with Mennonite Central Committee	
Government Teachers' College, Otukpo, Nigeria.	1977-79