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## EDUCATION

- 2023 Technical Editing Certification Course by the Society for Technical Communication  
2023 Open Education Pedagogy Circle by the Open Education Network  
2019 Creative Commons Certification Course by Open Education from Creative Commons  
2012 Sloan Consortium (now Online Learning Consortium) Institute for Emerging Leadership in Online Learning  
2001 Graduate Certificate in Developing and Delivering Distance Education, Louisiana Consortium for the Advancement of Distance Education (LaCADE)  
Louisiana Board of Regents, Baton Rouge, LA  
1994-1999 Ph.D., American literature  
Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH GPA: 3.86  
1992-1994 M.A., English, Medieval literature and literary theory  
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR GPA: 3.80  
1988-1992 B.A., English, Hendrix College, Conway AR GPA: 3.56

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2022 [Open Education Awards for Excellence](#), Open Reuse/Remix/Adaptation Category for *Open Technical Communication*.  
Best Paper Award for “Student Success Innovations vs. Faculty Workload Concerns: How to Find a Balance for Success” with Dr. Julie Newell, Mr. Stephen Bartlett, Mr. Sam Lee, Ms. Brayden Milam, and Ms. Lauren Snider. The Thirteenth International Conference on Mobile, Hybrid, and On-line Learning eLmL 2021. July 18022, 2021. Nice, France.  
Best in Track Award, Leadership and Institutional Strategies, “What Do You Really Need to Offer High Quality Online Learning: A Brainstorming Session,” OLC Accelerate 2018 conference, November 14, 2018. With Dr. Julie Moore and Dr. Deborah Mixson-Brookshire.  
Technology Test Kitchen Iron Chef Battle Winner---Heat 3, Online Learning Consortium, November 16, 2017. With Justin Cochran.  
Affordable Learning Georgia Textbook Transformation Award, April 2016  
Online Learning Consortium Award for Excellence in Faculty Development for Online Teaching, awarded to all Kennesaw State University Faculty Development Offices. 2015.  
Henry McNeal Turner Award for Support of the African and African Diaspora Minor, 2015  
Sloan C Award for Excellence in Faculty Development for Online Teaching, 2010.  
Best Paper Award for “Delivering Effective Faculty Training: A Course and Methods to Prepare Faculty to Teach Online.” The Second International Conference on Mobile, Hybrid, and On-line Learning. eL&mL 2010. February 10-16, 2010, St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles.

## INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN/EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

### EXPERIENCE

Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA

January 2020–August 2022. *Director of the Office of Digital Education, Radow College of Humanities and Social Sciences*. Support student success efforts with regard to online, hybrid, and face to face learning including designing and implementing faculty development workshops, supporting faculty with regard to accessibility in online, hybrid, and face to face courses, and working with chairs to ensure quality in online and hybrid offerings. Work with a team including the CHSS instructional designer and CHSS ODE Associate Director.

July 2018-March 2019. *Interim Executive Director for Technology Enhanced Learning*. Oversee all operations of the Kennesaw State University Distance Learning Center, including eCore, MOOCs, alternative learning and crediting models, quality assessment (Quality Matters peer reviews), instructional design, and accessibility.

July 2009-July 2018 *Director of the Office of Distance Education, College of Humanities and Social Sciences*. Coordinate electronic learning efforts in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Oversee a group of ten online coordinators, two associate directors, and one instructional designer in coordinating online program and faculty support efforts throughout the college. Assist departments and individual faculty in working with technology and putting courses and programs online. Manage the online learning budget for the college. Develop, design, and implement faculty training sessions on instructional technology, copyright, and electronic pedagogy. Collect, organize, and distribute data regarding online learning the professional development in the college. Serve as a Quality Matters Peer Reviewer. Schedule the online learning Brown Bag sessions. Select, maintain, and distribute electronic learning hardware and software throughout the college. Administrate MOODLE and Canvas learning platforms and PBWiki and VoiceThread accounts for college. Create documentation and oversee usability testing for electronic learning resources. Collaborate and coordinate with other electronic learning units on campus to ensure campus electronic learning systems are efficient and effective.

## RECENT SCHOLARSHIP

### Recent Publications

#### Book

[Open Technical Communication](#). Tiffani Tijerina, Tamara Powell, Jonathan Arnett, Monique Logan, and Cassandra Race. A free, open, interactive technical communication textbook funded by a grant from Affordable Learning Georgia. Summer 2016.

#### Articles and Chapters

“[Free is Good: Designing and Implementing a Composition 1 Template Course with Help from an Affordable Learning Georgia \(ALG\) Grant](#).” With Dr. Jeanne Law. In Tiffani Tijerina (Ed.) *Pedagogy Opened: Innovative Theory and Practice*. Dahlonega GA: University of North Georgia Press. November 2023.

“Pivot, Pivot! Kennesaw’s Distance Learning Journey” in [From Grassroots to the Highly Orchestrated: Online Leaders Share Their Stories of the Evolving Online Landscape in Higher Ed](#). With Dr. Anissa Vega, Dr. Julie Moore, and Dr. Justin Cochran. Edited by Bettyjo Bouchey, Erin Gratz, and Shelley Kurland. Boston, OLC Press, April 2023.

“[Review of Articulate Storyline Software](#).” *CALICO: The Computer Assisted Learning Instruction Consortium*. 40.2, pp. 277-88. 2023.

“[Software Review: LearningApps.Org](#).” *Die Unterrichtspraxis/Teaching German*. 54.2 (2021).

“[Time-Efficient Techniques for Improving Student and Instructor Success in Online Courses](#).” With Dr. Julie Newell, Mr. Stephen Bartlett, Dr. Deborah Mixson-Brookshire, Dr. Julie Moore, Mr. Sam Lee, Ms. Tiffani Reardon Tijerina, Ms. Brayden Milam, Ms. Lauren Snider, and Dr. Justin Cochran. *International Journal on Advances in Intelligent Systems*, 14. 3-4. (2021).

“[Student Success Innovations vs. Faculty Workload Concerns: How to Find a Balance for Success](#).” *Conference Proceedings from the Thirteenth International Conference on Mobile, Hybrid, and On-line Learning (eL&mL 2021)*. With Dr. Julie Newell, Mr. Stephen Bartlett, Mr. Sam Lee, Ms. Brayden Milam, and Ms. Lauren Snider. Online: Thinkmind.

## Recent Grants

- Principal Investigator, \$28,350 Affordable Learning Georgia Textbook Transformation Grant for “[Creating a Free and Open World Literature Course](#).” With Dr. Ruth McIntyre, Dr. Melanie Sumner, Mr. Stephen Bartlett, Dr. Allison Davis, Ms. Kaylee Polk. Spring 2023.
- Principal Investigator, \$28,000 Affordable Learning Georgia Textbook Transformation Grant for “[ENGL 1101 Hybrid Template Project](#).” With Dr. Jeanne Law-Bohannon, Dr. Keaton Lamle, Dr. Constance Briggs, Ms. Emani Collins, Mr. Patrick Carter, Ms. Elly Sloman, and Mr. Aiden Reichner. Spring 2022.
- Accessibility Specialist, \$10,000 Affordable Learning Georgia Continuous Improvement Grant for “Open Wicked Problems.” With Dr. Julie Newell (p.i.), Brayden Milam, Lesley Gabel, Kaylee Polk, and Tyler Tait. Spring 2022.
- Principal Investigator, \$30,000 Affordable Learning Georgia Textbook Transformation Grant for “Free, Open, and Interactive Technical Communication Textbook.” With Dr. Jonathan Arnett, Ms. Monique Logan, Ms Cassandra Race, and Ms. Tiffani Reardon. Spring 2015.

## Recent Presentations

- “AI for Business Communication.” Kennesaw State University. Kennesaw, Georgia. Jeanne Law-Bohannon. July 17, 2024.
- “Using AI in the Classroom.” Eastern Michigan University Chemistry Department. Ypsilanti, Michigan. Jeanne Law-Bohannon. May 9, 2024.
- “English Employment Trends and Student Professionalization Activities within our Department.” Kennesaw State University English Department. Kennesaw Georgia. Jeffrey Greene. May 3, 2024.
- “Gamification with Mentimeter, Quizziz, and Factile.” Kennesaw State University English Department. Kennesaw, Georgia. February 15, 2024.
- “[Eight Years Later: Data from an Open Technical Communication Textbook and Next Steps](#).” With Ms. Tiffani Tijerina. Open Access 2023. Kennesaw State University Libraries. Virtual. October 25, 2023.
- “[Not Just an OER But an Entire Course!](#)” With Dr. Jeanne Law and Ms. Brayden Milam. Open Access 2023. Kennesaw State University Libraries. Virtual. October 25, 2023.
- “Beyond the Five Stages of Grief: Practical Responses to AI from a Multi-Disciplinary Perspective.” OLC Accelerate 2023. Virtual. Online Learning Consortium. October 2023. With Dr. Deborah Mixson Brookshire, Dr. Julie Moore, Mr. Stephen Bartlett, and Dr. Justin Cochran.
- “Using Discussion Protocols to Foster Critical Thinking.” Maskwacis Cultural College. Maskwacis, Alberta, Canada. Virtual. July 28, 2023.
- “Accessibility in the Digital World.” With Mr. Stephen Bartlett. Maskwacis Cultural College. Maskwacis, Alberta, Canada. Virtual. June 29, 2023.
- “Learning Apps and VoiceThread.” Maskwacis Cultural College. Maskwacis, Alberta, Canada. Virtual. June 23, 2023.
- “Engagement in Online Classes with Stephen and Tammy.” With Mr. Stephen Bartlett. Maskwacis Cultural College. Maskwacis, Alberta, Canada. Virtual. July 28, 2023.
- “Calling All Heroes: Adventures with Open Educational Resources.” Online Educa Berlin. Berlin, Germany. Jeanne Law-Bohannon, Stephen Bartlett, Julie Newell, Brayden Milam, Kaylee Polk, Elly Sloman, Aiden Reichner, Tyler Tait. November 23-25, 2022.

# Academic/Literary Experience

## Employment

*May 2016-present Professor of English, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA Interim Internship Coordinator Fall 2023.* Teach PRWR 6255: Grant and Proposal Writing; ENGL 2140: African American Literature; ENGL 2160: American Literature Survey; WRIT 3140: Workplace Writing; WRIT 3111: Professional Editing; ENGL 4460: 19<sup>th</sup> Century American Literature; ENGL 2160: American Literature Survey; and ENGL 1101 and 1102 (composition 1 and 2). Also teach “Professional Email and Memo Writing: A Project-based MOOC” through Coursera with Ms. Tiffani Reardon.

*July 2009-May 2016 Associate Professor of English, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA* Teach GWST 4000: Interdisciplinary Research Methods; WRIT 3140: Workplace Writing; and ENGL 2160: American Literature Survey. All classes are QM approved and delivered completely electronically.

*August 2006-July 2009 Associate Professor, Charlyne Smith Wyche Endowed Professorship, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston* Teach a variety of courses including graduate and undergraduate courses in African American literature (this course is taught in two versions: online and in the traditional classroom), women’s literature, multiethnic literature, 19th century American fiction, American literature survey courses 202, 416 (American literature from the beginning to 1865), and 417 (American literature from 1865 to the present). Teach technical writing courses, including online, graduate-level seminars in graphic design, web-based training, and technical editing. In addition, teach developmental and first year composition with web-based interactive syllabi. Teach section two of first year composition electronically.

- English 099: Remedial Composition
- English 101: Composition I
- English 102: Composition II (Online)
- English 202: American Literature Survey
- English 303: Introduction to Technical Writing
- English 401: Revolt, Revolution, and Rebellion in the American Mind
- English 409: Nineteenth Century American Fiction
- English 416: Early American Literature to 1865
- English 417: American Literature from 1865 to the Present
- English 430: African American Literature (Online)
- English 469: Graphic Design in Technical Writing (Offered in two formats: compressed video and online)
- English 475 (special topics): Multiethnic American Literature
- English 475 (special topics): Native American Literature
- English 475 (special topics): American Women’s Literature
- English 462/562: Technical Editing/Seminar in Technical Editing (Online)
- English 464/564: Occupational Technical Writing/Seminar in Occupational Technical (Online)
- English 466/566: Internship in Technical Writing/Internship in Technical Writing Seminar (Online)
- English 469/569: Graphic Design in Technical Writing/Graphic Design in Technical Writing Seminar (Online) (formerly ENG 560, ENG 469, and ENG 575)
- English 584: American Women’s Literature Seminar

*May 2000-August 2006 Assistant Professor, Charlyne Smith Wyche Endowed Professorship, E-Learning Coordinator of the English Department, Ruston, LA* Oversee all compressed video and electronic course offerings in the English Department to make sure they meet NEA benchmarks regarding e-learning. Teach a variety of courses graduate and undergraduate courses in literature and technical writing.