M.A. in Professional Writing Spring 2024 Capstone Showcase &
2023-2024 MAPW Awards
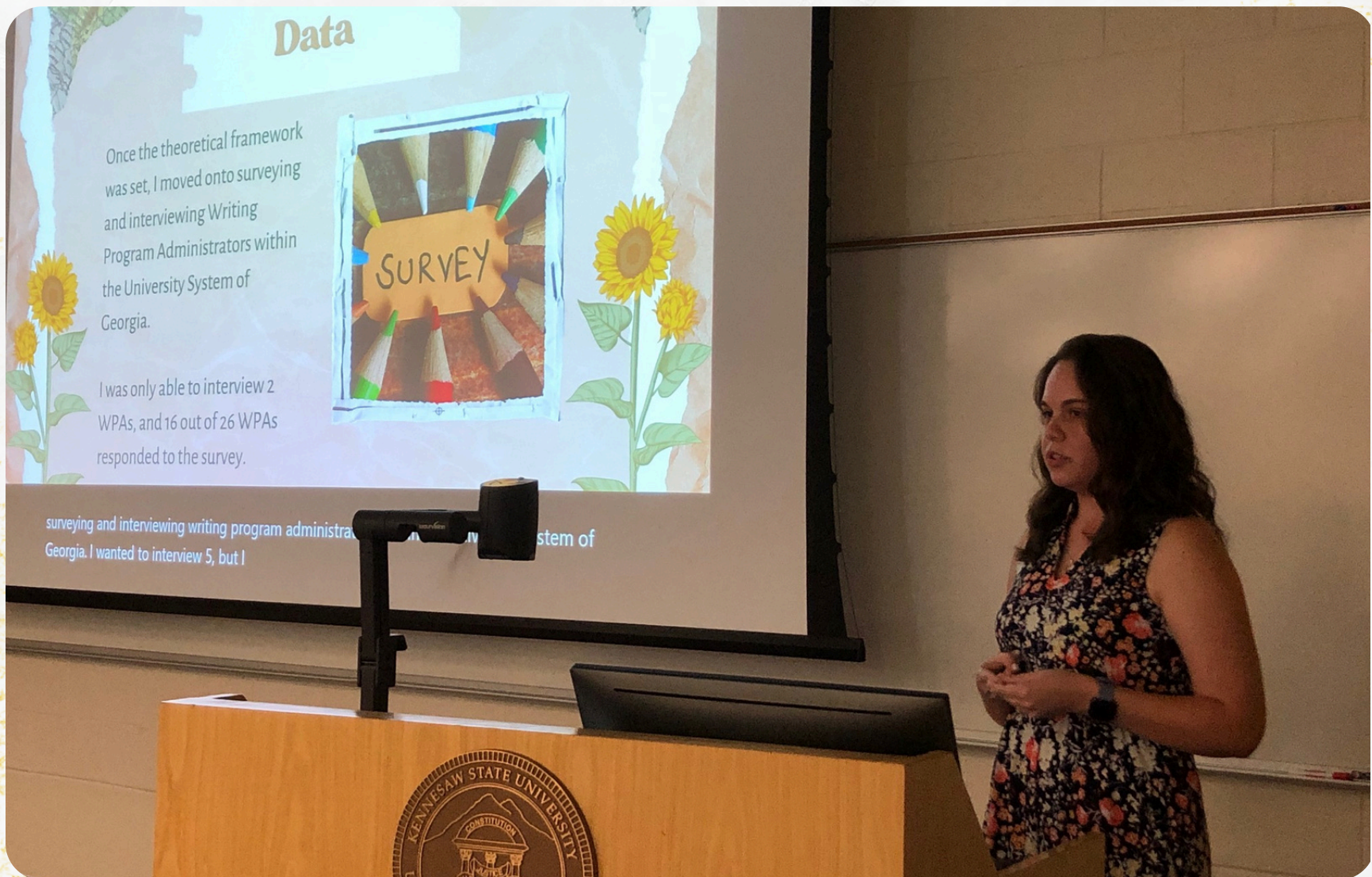
Saturday, April 27

Spring 2024 MAPW Capstone Showcase Presenters

Abby Hayman

Visionnaire: Visions of Inclusivity

screenplay

Advisors
Professor Mitch Olson &
Professor Anna Weinstein

Kris Roberson

Supporting KSU English Instructors in Meeting the Access Needs of Deaf and Hard and Hearing Students

research thesis

Advisors
Dr. Erin Bahl &
Dr. Marion Quirici

Cherish Collins

If Only

Advisors
Professor Jenny Sadre-Orafai &
Dr. Griselda Thomas

James Blakely

Fostering AI Literacies in the Composition Classroom:
A Mixed-Methods Study

Advisors
Dr. Jeanne Law &
Dr. Kurt Milberger

Charles Thomas

Hustle & Flow:
Pitching and Writing to Great Success

screenplay & research paper

Advisors

Professor Mitch Olson &
Professor Anna Weinstein

Serenity Hill

The Unseen Pen:
The Hidden History of Black Women Writers
During the Civil Rights Movement

research thesis

The visibility of the Black women who pushed forward the movement is often reduced, overlooked, or overshadowed because of the more celebrated contributions of their male counterparts. Focusing on an era before the internet, with the eloquent writing of activists like Dr. King memorialized, this project aims to showcase how changes in course curriculum can shed light on the life and legacy of three black women who used their roles as writers, editors, publishers, and journalists to help document and advocate for integration during the movement as one of the challenges they faced were that of respectability politics.

Advisors
Dr. Jeanne Law &
Dr. Kurt Milberger

Katherine McDowell

Georgia Ghosts:
Folklore, History, and the Roots of the Southern Gothic
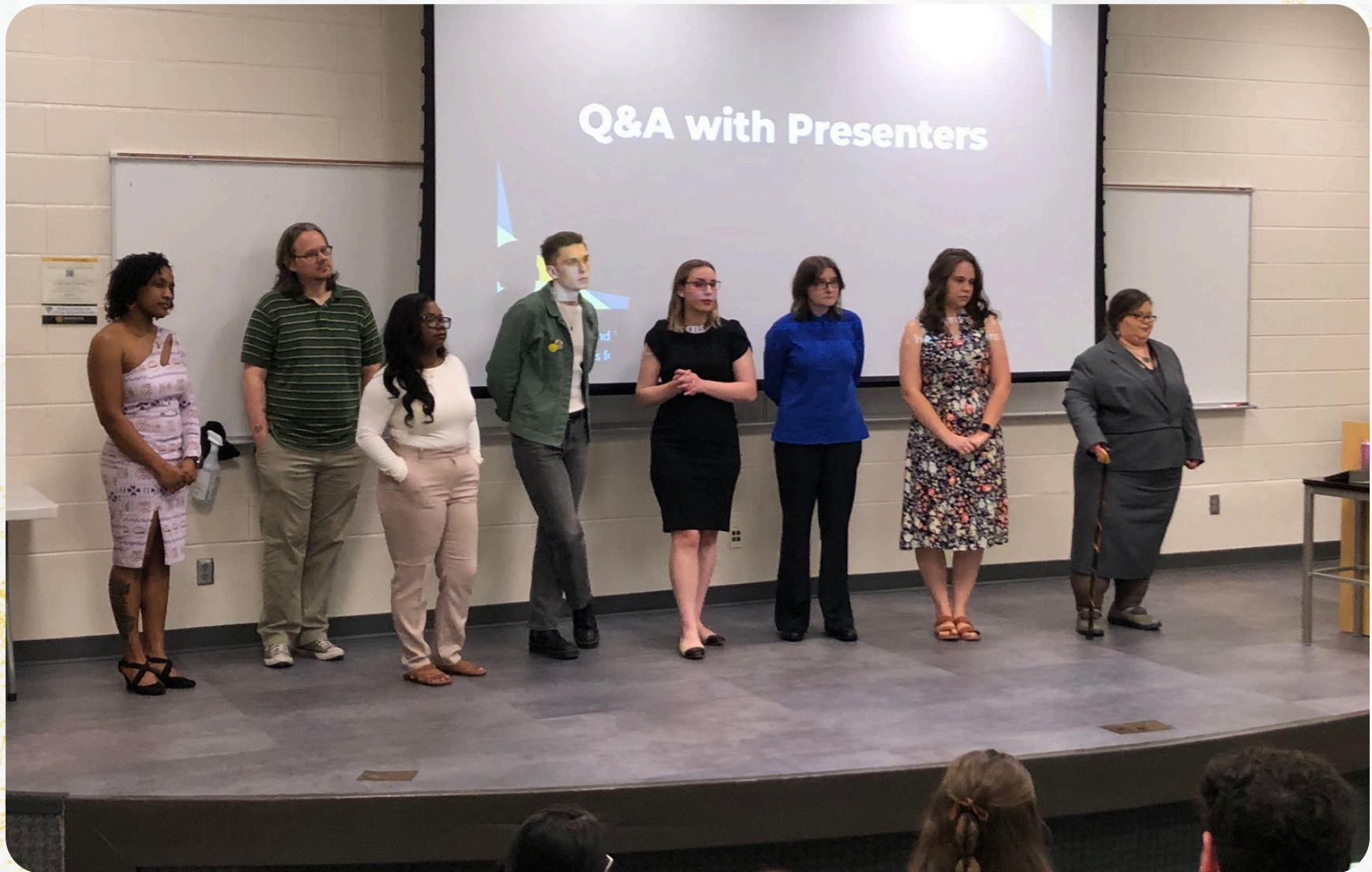
creative nonfiction/research project

Advisors
Dr. Erin Bahl &
Professor Garrard Conley

Q&A Session

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APPLIED WRITING
Kris Roberson

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James Blakely

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RHETORIC
Oksana Flores

EXCEPTIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD
CREATIVE WRITING
Nathan Reynolds

EXCEPTIONAL GRADUATE TEACHING AWARD
Emily Morris

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNA AWARD
Kandace James

EXCEPTIONAL GTA MENTOR AWARD
Dr. Elizabeth Hornsey

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