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Academic Appointments

2018-Present: Associate Professor, Rhetoric and Media Studies,
 Chair, Department of Rhetoric and Media Studies (2023-2026)
 Inaugural Director of General Education (2020-2025)
 Director, Ethnic Studies Program (2018-2021)
 Teaching Fellow, Teaching Excellence Program, Lewis & Clark
 College

2012-2018: Assistant Professor, Rhetoric and Media Studies Lewis & Clark
 College

2008- 2012: Graduate Teaching Assistant, The University of Kansas

Education

Ph.D.	Communication, University of Kansas	December, 2012
	Emphasis: Rhetoric, African and African-American Studies	
	Dissertation Title: <i>Barack Obama and the African Idea: Topology, Tropology & Stasis in Spatial Counter Narratives</i>	
	Advisor: Dr. Dave Tell	
M.A.	Communication, Bethel University	May, 2008
	Emphasis: Rhetoric	
	Thesis Title: <i>The Rhetorical Function of 'Ngano' (Shona Folktales)</i> .	
	Advisor: Dr. Andrew Gess	
B.A.	Communication, Bethel University	May, 2004
	Communication Studies (major), Media Communication (minor), and Economics (minor)	

Research

Books/Editorial Accomplishments

Chirindo, K & Sène, A., special issue editors (2025). *Environmental Communication* special issue on African Environmental Knowledges: Challenging, Complementing, and (Re)Constituting Environmental Communication, forthcoming.

Carlos G. Alemàn, Peter K. Bsumek, Kundai Chirindo, Jennifer Peeples, Jen Schneider, Carlos A. Tarin, Mariko O. Thomas, and Steve Schwarze, eds. (2022). *Communication, Race, and Outdoor Spaces*. Lausanne: Frontiers Media SA. doi://10.3389/978-2-88976-903-2

Peer-reviewed Articles/Chapters (n = 20)

Chirindo, K. (2025). "Toward Epistemic Freedom in the Study of Communication in/about/and "the Environment" in Africa" in *The Handbook of Communication in Africa: Theory, Research, Praxis*, in press, Taylor & Francis/Informa.

Chirindo, K. (2025). "The Coloniality and Contingency of Citizenship" in Eric King Watts (ed.), *Violent Pasts, Progressive Futures?*, forthcoming, Michigan State University Press.

Chirindo, K., Pezzullo, P. (2024). "Soy Porque Somos: Touring and Planting Trees as Convivial Rhetoric on a Precarious Planet," in *The Routledge Handbook on Rhetoric and Power*, (1st ed., pp. 387–398). Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003430858-35>, Routledge Press.

Chirindo, K., & Mutua E. (2024). "Sawubona Philosophy of African Communication," in *Black/Africana Communication Theory Vol. 2*, Palgrave Macmillan, https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-69495-0_9

Chirindo, K., & Mutua E. (2024). "Toward an African Critical Orientation," *Communication Theory*, 75(4), 390–406. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10510974.2024.2345517>. Lead Essay. 2025 Communication Studies Article of the Year

Carlos G. Alemàn, Peter K. Bsumek, Kundai Chirindo, Jennifer Peeples, Jen Schneider, Carlos A. Tarin, Mariko O. Thomas, and Steve Schwarze. "Editorial: Communication, race, and outdoor spaces," *Frontiers in Communication: Science and Environmental Communication*, Research Topic on "Communication, Race, and Outdoor Spaces." doi:10.3389/fcomm.2022.966343

Chirindo, K (2022). "The Meanings of What can(not) be Said," *Philosophy & Rhetoric*, 55.1, 25-31, muse.jhu.edu/article/855132

Chirindo, K (2021). "Precarious Publics." *Quarterly Journal of Speech*, 107.4, 430-434, [DOI:10.1080/00335630.2021.1983192](https://doi.org/10.1080/00335630.2021.1983192)

Chirindo, K. (2021). "Rhetoric and Integrationism: In search of rapprochement" in Anna Kaiper, Makoni, S & Verity, D. P. (Eds), *Integrational Linguistics and Philosophy of Language in the Global South*. New York, New York; Routledge.

Chirindo, K., Robert Gutierrez-Perez, Matthew Houdek, Louis Maraj, Ersula J. Ore, Kendall R. Phillips, Lee Pierce, and G. Mitchell Reyes (2021). "Coda: Rapture in Time," *Women's Studies in Communication* 43. 4 (2021), pp. 459-470, doi:10.1080/07491409.2020.1828718

Reyes, G. & Chirindo, K. (2021). "Theorizing Race and Gender in the Anthropocene," *Women's Studies in Communication, Women's Studies in Communication* 43. 4, pp. 429-442, doi:10.1080/26878003.2021.1881319.

Chirindo, K. (2020). "Invisible In/Humanity: Feminist Epistemic Ethics and Rhetorical Studies" in Bryant Keith Alexander, Niles Goins, M. & McAlister, J. (Eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Gender and Communication*. New York, New York; Routledge.

Chirindo, K. & Edwards, J (L&C '18) (2020) "Re-Imagining Rhetorical Reconciliation in Australian Public Address" in Storm-Villadsen, L. & J. Edwards (Eds.), *The Rhetoric of Official Apologies*. New York, New York; Rowman & Littlefield.

Chirindo, K. "Micro-Nations and Post-National Rhetorics," *Women's Studies in Communication* 41.4 (2019): 383-393. doi:10.1080/07491409.2018.1551686.

Bizup, J., Cherry, M., Chirindo, K., Gray, R. V., Haag, A., Halasek, K., . . . Rubick, K. (2018). Using BEAM to Intergrate Information Literacy and Writing: A Framework With Case Studies. In G. Veach (Ed.), *Teaching information literacy and writing studies* (Vol. 2). West Lafayette, Indiana: West Lafayette, Indiana : Purdue University Press.

Chirindo, K. (2018). Barack Obama, Topology, and Ideas of Africa. In J. Rice, C. Graham, & E. Detweiler (Eds.), *Rhetorics Change/Rhetoric's Change* (pp. 214-223). Anderson, South Carolina: Parlor Press.

Chirindo, K. "Bantu Sociolinguistics in Wangari Maathai's Peacebuilding Rhetoric." *Women's Studies in Communication*. 39.4 (2016): 442-459. doi: 10.1080/07491409.2016.1228552
 *Reprinted in In Mutua, E. M., González, A., & Wolbert, A. T. (2018). *The rhetorical legacy of Wangari Maathai: Planting the future*. Lead chapter.

Chirindo, K. "Rhetorical Places: From Classical Topologies to Prospects for Post-Westphalian Spatialities." *Women's Studies in Communication* 39.2 (2016): 127-31. doi: 10.1080/07491409.2016.1176787

Chirindo, K. "A (Hetero)Topology of Rhetoric and Obama's African Dreams." *Advances in the History of Rhetoric* 19.1 (2016): 1-21. doi:10.1080/15362426.2016.1137251.

Chirindo, K & Neville-Shepard, R. M. "Obama's "New Beginning": U.S. Foreign Policy and Comic Exceptionalism." *Argumentation and Advocacy* 51.4 (2015): 215-230. doi: 10.1080/00028533.2015.11821851. Lead essay.

Book Review Essays & Book Reviews

Chirindo, K. Review of *The Center Cannot Hold: Decolonial Possibility in the Collapse of a Tanzanian NGO* by Jenna Hanchey. *Quarterly Journal of Communication* (2025).
<https://doi.org/10.1080/00335630.2025.2461788>

Chirindo, K. Review of *Race and the Rhetoric of Resistance* by Jeffrey B. Ferguson. *American Political Thought*, Vol. 12, No. 1 (2023): 149-154. DOI: 10.1086/723445

Chirindo, K. Review of *Groundwork for the Practice of the Good Life: Politics and Ethics at the Intersection of African and North Atlantic Philosophy* by Omedì Ochieng. *Philosophy and Rhetoric*, Vol. 53, No. 4 (2020): 466-470. DOI:10.5325/phrlhet.53.4.0466

Chirindo, K. Review of *Peculiar Rhetoric: Slavery, Freedom, and the African Colonization Movement* by Bjørn F. Stillion Southard (2021). *Journal for the History of Rhetoric* (formerly *Advances in the History of Rhetoric*), 24:1, 110-112, DOI: [10.1080/26878003.2021.181319](https://doi.org/10.1080/26878003.2021.181319)

Chirindo, K. (review essay) "Paradigmatic and Syntagmatic Approaches to the Obama Presidency." *Rhetoric & Public Affairs*. 19.3 (2016): 491-504. DOI: 10.14321/rhetpublaffa.19.3.0491

Chirindo, K. Review of *Moved by the Past: Discontinuity and Historical Mutation* by Eelco Runia. *Quarterly Journal of Speech*. 102.04 (2016): 425-29.
 doi:10.1080/00335630.2016.1209814.

Chirindo, K. Review of *Confessional Crisis and Cultural Politics in Twentieth-Century America* by Dave Tell. *Advances in the History of Rhetoric*. 19.2 (2016): 228-230.
 doi:10.1080/15362426.2016.1187526.

Competitively Selected Conference Presentations

Chirindo, K. Organizer and presenter, Spotlight panel on "Voice(lessness): Environmental Communication on the African Continent" Conference on Communication and the Environment (COCE), Harrisonburg, VA May 2023

Chirindo, K. "Regionalism's Afropolitan Praxis" Southern States Communication Association Convention, Tampa, FL, April 2023

Chirindo, K. "Toward Epistemic Freedom in the Study of Communication in/about/and "the Environment" in Africa" National Communication Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA, November 2022

Chirindo, K. "The Evolution of Rhetorical Theory: An Encounter with Necropolitics, Precarity, and Achille Mbembe" National Communication Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA, November 2022

Chirindo, K. "Rhetoric and Integrationism: In Search of Rapprochement" National Communication Association Annual Convention, Seattle, WA, November 2021

Carlos G. Alemàn, Peter K. Bsumek, Kundai Chirindo, Jennifer Peeples, Jen Schneider, Carlos A. Tarin, Mariko O. Thomas, and Steve Schwarze. "Transforming and Renewing Environmental Communication by Foregrounding Race and Outdoor Spaces" National Communication Association Annual Convention, Seattle, WA, November 2021

Adriana Angel, Soumia Bardhan, Timothy Barney, Kundai Chirindo, Stephen J. Hartnett, José G. Izaguirre, Sara L. McKinnon, Allison M. Prasch, Belinda A. Stillion Southard, and Chianoning Su. "Reassessing Foreign Policy Rhetorics in an Era of Globalization" National Communication Association Annual Convention, Seattle, WA, November 2021

Chirindo, K. "Africa's Epistemic and Postcolonial Challenge for (Environmental) Communication Scholars" National Communication Association Annual Convention, (held virtually) Indianapolis, IN, November 2020

Chirindo, K. "Precarious Publics" National Communication Association Annual Convention, (held virtually) Indianapolis, IN, November 2020

Reyes, G. M., and Chirindo, K. "Theorizing Race and Gender in the Anthropocene" National Communication Association Annual Convention, (held virtually) Indianapolis, IN, November 2020

Chirindo, K. "Rhetoric and Integrationism: In Search of Rapprochement" International Association for the Integrational Study of Language and Communication (IAISLC) biennial conference, State College, PA, September, 2019

Chirindo, K. "Argument and Epistemic Justice" International Society for the Study of Argumentation Biennial Conference, Amsterdam, July, 2018

Chirindo, K., "The Elusive Quest: National Identity and Politics of the Belly in the Postcolony" Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Convention, Minneapolis, MN, May 2018.

Chirindo, K. "Response to 'Dialectical Distributions.'" National Communication Association Annual Convention, Dallas, TX, November 2017. Panel respondent.

Chirindo, K., "Response to 'Writing and/vs. Research: Disciplinary Tensions in the Teaching of Researched Writing.'" Annual Convention of the Conference on College Composition and Communication, Portland, OR, March 2017. Panel respondent.

Chirindo, K., "Politics, Presence, and Representation." Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Convention, Atlanta, Georgia, May 2016.

Chirindo, K., "Heterotopology, Space, and Rhetoric." National Communication Association Annual Convention, Las Vegas, NV, November 2015.

Chirindo, K., & Jaclyn Nolan. "Of Rhetorical Science/Scientific Rhetoric: Burke and Latour on the Parliament of Things." National Communication Association Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, November 2014.

Chirindo, K. "An African Imperative for Environmentalism: The Case of Wangari Maathai's Nobel Lecture." National Communication Association Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, November 2014.

Chirindo, K. "*Aluta Continua*: Wangari Maathai's Survival Rhetoric." 16th Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Conference, San Antonio, TX, May 2014

Chirindo, K. "Tropology and the Representations of Africa in the 2008 Campaign" Presented at the Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, Kansas City, MO, April 2013.
Karlyn Kohrs Campbell Award for the Top Paper in Rhetorical Criticism

Chirindo, K. "Dreams from Himself: Barack Obama and the African Heterotopia" Presented at in the Placemaking: Rhetorical Studies and Critical Geography Workshop at the 2013 Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute, Lawrence, KS, June 2013.

Chirindo, K. "Tropology and the Discourse on Africa in the 2008 Campaign" presented at the National Communication Association Annual Convention, Orlando, FL, November 2012.

Chirindo, K. "The Consummatory, Epistemological, and National Security Functions of the Pirate Narrative" Presented at the 15th Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Conference, Philadelphia, PA, May 2012

Chirindo, K. "The African Influences of Obama's Politics" Presented at the 15th Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Conference, Philadelphia, PA, May 2012

Chirindo, K. "Toward a Diunital Politics: Identity, Ideology, and Ethics in Barack Obama" Presented at the Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, Cleveland, OH, March 2012.
Top Student Paper Panel in Rhetorical Criticism

Chirindo, K. "*Via Negativa*: Kenneth Burke, Henri Bergson, and the Nature of Language" Presented at the Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, Cleveland, OH, March 2012.
Awarded Top Paper by the Kenneth Burke Society

Chirindo, K. "Toward a Diunital Vision of the Environment: African Cosmology in Wangari Maathai's Nobel Prize Lecture." Presented at the Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, Cleveland, OH, March 2012.

Chirindo, K. "Toward Diunital politics: Identity, ideology, and ethics in Barack Obama" Presented at the 63rd Annual Convention of the Conference on College Composition and Communication, St. Louis, MO, March 2012.

Chirindo, K. "Toward Diunital politics: Identity, ideology, and ethics in Barack Obama" Presented at the National Communication Association Doctoral Honors Seminar, Fargo, ND, July 2011.

Chirindo, K. "Obama, rhetoric, and the problem of agency." Presented at the Kansas African Studies Center Graduate Student Workshop, Lawrence, KS, February 2011

Shepard, R. M. & Chirindo, K. "Rhetoric with an unclenched fist: Obama's 'New Beginning' as a shift toward a comic frame in US foreign policy discourse." Presented at the National Communication Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA, November 2010.

Chirindo, K. "Reflections on Zimbabwe's patriotic history." Presented at the Mid-American Alliance for African Studies Annual Conference, Lawrence, KS, October 2010.

Chirindo, K. "Michel Foucault and the economy of rhetoric" Presented at the 14th Rhetoric Society of America Biennial Conference, Minneapolis, MN, May 2010.

Chirindo, K. "Myth and legend in the rhetoric of Barack Obama: A distinction" Presented at the National Communication Association Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, November 2009.

*Featured on the National Communication Association *The oratory and rhetoric of Barack Obama* webpage.

Chirindo, K. "The rhetorical function of *ngano*." Presented at the Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, St. Louis, MO, March 2009

Teaching

Lewis & Clark College

CORE 120 Communication and "the Environment" (Fall 2020, 2021, 2022)
 RHMS 406: Race, Rhetoric, and Resistance (Fall 2014, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2024, Spring 2018, 2021, 2024)
 RHMS 315: Comparative Rhetoric (Spring 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2025, Fall 2019,)
 RHMS 301: Rhetorical Criticism (Fall 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2023 Spring 2022, 2025)
 RHMS 203: Rhetorical Theory (Spring 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018 Fall 2016, 2018)
 RHMS 210: Public Discourse (Fall 2012, 2014, 2015)
 RHMS 100: Introduction to Rhetoric and Media Studies (Fall 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019 Spring 2017, 2019, 2021, 2024)

University of Kansas

COMS 332: The Rhetorical Tradition
 (Teaching Assistant, Spring 2011; Spring 2012)
 COMS 331: Persuasive Speaking
 (Instructor on record, Fall 2009; Fall 2009; Summer 2011)
 COMS 235: Introduction to Rhetoric and Social Influence
 (Teaching Assistant/Discussion Leader, Fall 2010; Spring 2011; Fall 2011; Spring 2011)
 COMS 131: Honors Speaker-Audience Communication
 (Instructor on record, Fall 2010-Spring 2011)
 COMS 130: Speaker-Audience Communication
 (Instructor on record, Fall 2008-Spring 2009; Fall 2011)

Consulting

2022 External Reviewer, M. A. Program in Communication and Advocacy Academic Program Review, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA
 2025 Consulting Team (Chair), external review of the Department of Writing and Rhetoric, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY

Media, Public Appearances, & Invited Talks

"Toward an African Indigenous Rhetorical Orientation: Convivial Rhetoric and Rhetorical Cartography" Heyang Institute for Rural Studies Knowledge Commons in the New Global Village: Global Webinar Lecture Series, May 15, 2025

“(Re)Humanizing Science & Technology: Towards Convivial Development” 2024 China Association of Higher Education-UNESCO International Forum on Education, Beijing Friendship Hotel, Beijing, China, October 13, 2024

“Towards a Convivial Paradigm of Communication” U.S.-China Communication Association Conference on Convergence, Diversity, and Development, Minzu University, Beijing, China, June 13, 2024

“Cartographies of Conviviality” University of Maine Communication and Journalism Department Colloquium, Orono, ME, October 2023

Co-organizer and co-facilitator “Transnationalism and New Rhetorics of Human Rights” Seminar at the 2023 Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute, State College, PA

“Teaching: What Works at LC,” Lewis & Clark College New Faculty Orientation, August 9, 2022.

Co-organizer and co-facilitator, “Braving Connection: Daily Practices for Constructive Conversations in the Classroom,” faculty workshop, Lewis & Clark College, January 12, 2022.

Featured expert in “[Inside the anti-capitalist, anti-border micronation: Welcome to Obsidia](#)” by Chloé Meley, *Huck Magazine*, November 2021.

Senior Scholar/Mentor at the Research Network at the 2022 Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Baltimore, MD

Panelist, “Inspiration & Influences” Teaching Excellence Program Happy-Hour Event, Lewis & Clark College, Portland OR, November 2021.

Respondent, “New Frontiers of Space and Place” National Communication Association Annual Convention, Seattle, WA, November 2021

Guest Lecture in “Decolonizing Communication” Course (held virtually), University of Texas, September 2021.

Panelist, “An Exploration of Race: Historical Context on Today’s Global Movement” webinar presented by the Autodesk Black Network, Autodesk Inc. May 2021 (attended by over 700 Autodesk employees worldwide. Attendee comments available)

Guest Lecture in “Topics in Rhetoric and Civic Engagement: Citizenship from the Margins to the Center” Course (held virtually), Colorado State University, May 2021.

Guest Lecture in “Communicating Peace” Course (held virtually), Willamette University, February 2021.

2021 Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute (held virtually), “Race, Regionalism, and Rhetoric” Workshop convener, Institute hosted by Syracuse University, June 2021

Chair, “Top Papers in Environmental Communication” panel (held virtually), 2020 National Communication Association Annual Convention, Indianapolis, IN

OID/OBSA Webinar (held virtually), Panelist, Harvey Mudd College, June 2020

Spiderwebs, Symmetry, & Spirituality: An Agnostic & a Christian Discuss Science & God, Moderator, Lewis & Clark College, September 2019.

Staging Africa: Perceptions of Africa in American Public Life, Invited talk at Terwilliger Plaza, May 2019

Obama and the idea(s) of Africa: Epistemic In/justice in Rhetorical Scholarship, Invited Plenary talk at the 2018 Public Address Conference, Boulder, September, 2018

The Marketplace of Ideas: the Ideal and the Reality, Plenary Panelist, Lewis & Clark College Annual Free Speech Symposium, Portland, October 2018

Africa and Diversifying the History of Rhetoric Plenary Session participant at the American Society for History of Rhetoric Bi-Annual conferences, Minneapolis, May, 2018

Staging Africa, presented at Profile Theatre's "In Dialogue" Series, Portland, OR, February 2016.

Douglass, the Cultural Politics of Confession, and Rhetoric, presented at the Lewis & Clark College Exploration & Discovery Fall Colloquium Series: "Frederick Douglass' Narrative," September 2015.

Understanding the #BlackLivesMatter Movement: A Discourse Theory of Citizenship Approach, presented at the Lewis & Clark College Ethnic Studies Panel on the Black Lives Matter Series: "Politics, Identity, and Intersectionality," October 2015.

Succeeding in a Liberal Arts Environment, presented at the International Student/TCK Orientation, Lewis & Clark, August 2014; August 2015

What I Wish I had Known Last August that I Know now, presented during 2013 Lewis & Clark College New Faculty Orientation, August 2013.

Faculty Last Lecture: *Dreams from himself: Barack Obama and the African Heterotopia*, presented during 2013 Lewis & Clark College Senior Experience, May 2013.

Panel Presentation: *Whither African?: the Colonial Legacies of Symbolic Violence in Sub-Saharan Africa*, presented at the International Students of Lewis & Clark (ISLC) Peace Day, April 2013.

Guest Lecture: AES 250 Advanced Readings in Academic English Studies: *The Politics of Southern Africa*, September 2012.

Guest lecture: COMS 332 The Rhetorical Tradition: *Kenneth Burke and language's attitudinizing function*, April 2011.

Guest lecture: COMS 332 The Rhetorical Tradition: *Hugh Blair*, April 2011.

Guest lecture: COMS 235: Introduction to Rhetoric and Social Influence: *Eulogies*, November 2010.

Guest lecture: ARCH 108: Architectural Foundations: *Presenting for Effect*, May 2010.

University of Kansas Communication Studies New Graduate Teaching Assistant Orientation: *Sample Teaching Presentation*, August 2009; August 2010; January 2011.

Grants, Honors, and Awards

2025 Article of the Year, *Communication Studies*

2024-2025 President's Faculty Excellence Award, Lewis & Clark College. Inaugural recipient

2024 Lewis & Clark Faculty Research Grant, \$2,000.

2024-2027 Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program, applied.

2024 *Tuko Pamoja*: Tanzanian Creativity and Perspectives in an Era of Climate Change, Fulbright-Hays faculty summer program, applied.

2024 NEH Summer Stipend Program, applied

2020 *Western Journal of Communication* Outstanding Reviewer, 2018-2020

2016-17 Lewis & Clark Lorry Lokey Faculty Excellence Award. First junior faculty recipient

2015-16 Lewis & Clark President's Strategic Initiative Fund: Student Research Program. Awarded \$600.

Participant: 2013 Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute. Selected to workshop two essays in progress at a competitive research intense summer retreat.

Applied for the Existing Course Modification Stipend. Spring 2013.

University of Kansas Communication Studies Graduate Student Grant. Awarded \$500. April 2012.

University of Kansas Graduate Student Travel Grant. Awarded \$400. March 2012.

Participant: 2011 National Communication Association (NCA) Doctoral Honors Seminar, Fargo, ND. (Travel and accommodation funded by NCA)

University of Kansas Graduate Studies Scholarship. Awarded \$4,000/year 2008-2011

Bethel University Communication Studies Best Research Project, 2004.

Service

Institutional Service

2024	Chair, RHMS/SOAN Administrative Search Committee; MENA 298: Palestine/Israel Community Dialogue Facilitator; Director, General Education; Chair, Department of Rhetoric and Media Studies; Commencement Planning Committee; Commencement Senior Speaker Committee
2023	Community Dialogues Facilitator; Director, General Education; Commencement Planning Committee
2022	Director, General Education; Fulbright Committee; Commencement Planning Committee
2021	Director, General Education; Fulbright Committee
2020	Director, Ethnic Studies Program; Director, General Education; Fulbright Committee; Lewis & Clark College Team Lead for the American Association of Colleges & Universities' Institute on General Education and Assessment (IGEA)
2019-	Fulbright Committee; Fall Faculty Retreat Planning Committee; Director, Ethnic Studies Program; Teaching Fellow, Teaching Excellence Program Committee on Enrollment; Commencement Planning Committee General Education Steering Committee; Athletics Strategic Direction Planning Committee; Ethnic/Gender Studies Administrative Assistant Search Committee
2018	Commencement Planning Committee; Director, Ethnic Studies Program; Teaching Fellow, Teaching Excellence Program; Committee on Enrollment

	General Education Steering Committee; Strategic Enrollment Management: Marketing & Recruitment Working Group; Athletics Strategic Planning Committee; Free Speech Symposium Planning Committee; Convener and Planner for the 2019 Race, Rhetoric, and Media Symposium
2017	Commencement Planning Committee; Exploration and Discovery Steering Committee; Ethnic Studies Steering Committee; Planning Committee, 2017 Symposium on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and Free Speech; Chapter Advisor, <i>Lambda Pi Eta</i>
2016	Exploration and Discovery Steering Committee; Ethnic Studies Steering Committee; Speaker, 2016 International Student Orientation; Chapter Advisor, <i>Lambda Pi Eta</i>
2015	Exploration and Discovery Steering Committee; Ethnic Studies Steering Committee; MLK Jr. Week Planning Committee; Panel Chair, Ray Warren Symposium on Race & Ethnic Studies
2014	Exploration and Discovery Steering Committee; Speaker, 2014 International Student Orientation; Speaker, Great Expectations Retreat for First Generation Students
2013	Department of Sociology & Anthropology Tenure Track Search Committee Faculty Forum for the Inclusion & Multicultural Engagement Director Search; Panelist: Fall Student Life “Kick-off”; Panelist: November Open House Faculty Panel for Lewis & Clark Admissions Office; Moderator: 2013 MLK Week Faculty Panel; Senior Thesis Committee for Karen White (Ethnic Studies)
2012	Ethnic Studies Minor Steering Committee-present
2011	Executive Board Member, Kansas African Studies Center (KASC) African/African-American Studies Department, University of Kansas
2010-1	Vice-President, Graduate Student Organization
	Department of Communication Studies, University of Kansas
2010-1	Graduate Student Mentor, Graduate Student Organization
	Department of Communication Studies, University of Kansas
2010 (Spring)	Faculty Meeting Representative, Graduate Student Organization
	Department of Communication Studies, University of Kansas

Journal Editorial Boards

2025-	Editorial Board for <i>Critical Studies in Media Communication</i>
2024-	Editorial Board for <i>Environmental Communication</i>
2024-	Editorial Board for <i>Western Journal of Communication</i>
2022-	<u>Founding</u> Editorial Board for <i>Communication and Race</i>
2019-	Editorial Board for <i>Quarterly Journal of Speech</i>
2018-	Editorial Board for <i>Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies</i>
2020-	<u>Founding</u> Editorial Board for <i>Rhetoric, Politics, and Culture</i>

Peer and Manuscript Reviewing

2025	Manuscript reviewer for University of South Carolina Press
2025	Manuscript reviewer for Cambridge University Press

2023-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Rhetoric & Public Affairs</i>
2022-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Southern Communication Journal</i>
2021	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Rhetoric & Public Affairs</i>
2020-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Journal of the History of Rhetoric</i>
2020-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Environmental Communication</i>
2020-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Dialogues in Human Geography</i>
2020-	Manuscript Reviewer for Strata Publishing
2019-	Manuscript Reviewer for the University of California Press
2018-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Western Journal of Communication</i>
2016-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Advances in the History of Rhetoric</i>
2016-	Ad hoc reviewer for <i>The Howard Journal of Communication</i>

Disciplinary Service

2024-2025	<u>Founding Planning Committee</u> for the African Communication Studies Division of the National Communication Association; Co-Chair, Program Planning Committee for the 18 th International Environmental Communication Association (IECA) Conference on Communication and Environment (COCE); <u>External Dissertation Committee Member</u> , Texas State University; Program Planning Committee for Rhetoric Society of America 2026 Conferences
2023-2025	Research Committee Chair & Board member or the International Environmental Association (IECA)
2023	Immediate past-President and Chair of the Environmental Communication Division Awards Committee, National Communication Association
2023	Ad hoc Policy Committee for the Western States Communication Association
2021-2023	Publications Committee for the Western States Communication Association (Chaired the Committee, 2022-2023)
2021-2022	President, Environmental Communication Division of the National Communication Association
2021	National Communication Association Legislative Assembly Representative for the Environmental Communication Division
2020-2021	Chair of the Awards Committee of the Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division of the National Communication Association
2020-2021	Vice President and convention program planner for the Environmental Communication Division of the National Communication Association
2020	Selection Committee for the Best Article in the <i>Western Journal of Communication</i> , 2018-2020
	Nominations Committee for the Rhetoric Society of America
	Decoloniality sub-Committee of the Rhetoric Society of America's Inclusivity Diversity Equity and Access committee
2020	<i>Rhetoric & Public Affairs</i> Editor search committee
2019-20	Vice-President Elect of the Environmental Communication Division of the National Communication Association
2019-	Steering Committee for the Association for the History of Rhetoric

2019 Reviewer for the James L. Golden Award for the Outstanding Student Essay in Rhetoric for the National Communication Association

2019-22 Nominating Committee for the Public Address Division of the National Communication Association

2018-21 Awards Committee for the Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division of the National Communication Association

2016 Reviewer: 2016 Top Article Award for the American Studies Division of the National Communication Association (NCA)

2014 Nominee for the Nominating Committee of the National Communication Association Public Address Division

2012 Paper Reviewer, Rhetorical Theory and Criticism Group for the Central States Communication Association Annual Convention

2011 Paper Reviewer, American Society for the History of Rhetoric Interest Group, National Communication Association Annual Convention

2011 (Spring) Founding Secretary-Treasurer, KU Ars Rhetorica
University of Kansas

2011- Vice-Chair, KU Ars Rhetorica
University of Kansas

2010 Paper Reviewer, Graduate Student Division
National Communication Association Annual Convention

2010 Paper Reviewer, First Amendment Interest Group
Central States Communication Association Annual Convention

Community Service

2019- Board member, Solar Oregon

Academic Memberships

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