

**Dr. Veronica Leigh House**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

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**EDUCATION**

- Ph.D.        English, University of Texas at Austin, 2006.  
              Doctoral Portfolio in Women's and Gender Studies.
- M.F.A.        Creative Writing, Poetry, University of Maryland at College Park, 1999.
- B.A.         English and French, Magna Cum Laude, Wellesley College, 1996.

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENT**

- 2010-present Associate Faculty Director for Service-Learning and Outreach, Program for Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado Boulder.
- 2014-present Senior Instructor, Program for Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado Boulder.
- 2006-2014    Instructor, Program for Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado Boulder.

**EDITORIAL APPOINTMENT**

- 2017-present Editor, *Community Literacy Journal*.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Peer-Reviewed Book**

- 2014    *Medea's Chorus: Myth and Women's Poetry Since 1950*. New York: Peter Lang.  
          Studies in Modern Poetry.

**Peer-Reviewed Articles**

- 2016    "Keep Writing Weird: Eco-Administration and the Engaged Writing Program."  
          *Community Literacy Journal* 11.1 (2016): 54-63.
- 2015    "Community Engagement in Writing Program Design and Administration." *WPA: Writing Program Administration* 39.1 (2015): 54-71.

- 2014 "Re-Framing the Argument: Critical Service-Learning and Community-Centered Food-Literacy." *Community Literacy Journal* 8.2 (2014): 1-16. Lead article.
- 2013 "The Reflective Course Model: Changing the Rules for Reflection in Service-Learning Composition Courses." *Reflections: Journal of Public Rhetoric, Civic Writing, and Service-Learning* 12.2 (2013): 27-65.

### **Journal Special Issues, Guest Editor Introductions**

- 2016 "Envisioning Engaged Infrastructures for Community Writing." *Community Literacy Journal* 11.1 (2016): 1-9. (with Seth Myers and Shannon Carter).
- 2016 "Sustainable Communities and Environmental Communication in Higher Education." *Reflections: Public Rhetoric, Civic Writing, and Service Learning* 16.1 (2016): 3-13. (with Catherine Lasswell and Rebecca Dickson).

### **Book Chapters**

- 2010 "Stepping Out: Crossing the Classroom/Community Threshold." *Quick Hits for Service-Learning: Successful Strategies by Award-Winning Educators*. Eds. Mary Ange Cooksey & Kimberly Olivares. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press. 54-55.
- 2006 "'Words We Can Grow Old and Die In': Earth Mother and Aging Mother in Eavan Boland's Poetry." *The Body and Desire in Contemporary Irish Poetry*. Ed. Irene Gilsenan-Nordin. Dublin: Irish Academic Press. 103-122.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

### **Book Manuscript**

*Local Organic: Ecologies, Systems, and Writing for Impact* (estimated completion date of 2019)

### **Peer-Reviewed Journal Manuscripts**

"Food Insecurity on a College Campus: Prevalence, Determinants, and Solutions."  
(Under External Review)

"Perceived Opportunities For, and Barriers To, The Development Of Local Food Systems: A Case Study From Boulder County, Colorado" (Under External Review)

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2016 Engaged Program Award. Campus Compact of the Mountain West.
- 2016 Boulder Talks Faculty Fellow. Communication Department. University of Colorado.

- 2015 CU Engage Faculty Fellow. University of Colorado.
- 2014 Engaged Scholarship Award. Campus Compact of the Mountain West.
- 2013 Award for Excellence and Innovation in Teaching. Program for Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado.
- 2012 Partners in Sustainability Award, group award. University of Colorado.
- 2010 Serving Communities Award, Program for Writing and Rhetoric nominee. University of Colorado.
- 2009 Women Who Make a Difference Award. University of Colorado.
- 2001-2006 Hairston Prize for Excellence in Teaching, nominee. University of Texas at Austin.
- 1999 Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award. University of Maryland.
- 1998 Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award. University of Maryland.
- 1998 Center for Teaching Excellence Model Teacher Award. University of Maryland.
- 1998 Breadloaf Writer's Conference Scholarship. Middlebury, VT.
- 1997-1998 Lannan Fellow. Lannan Foundation and Folger Shakespeare Library. Washington, D.C..

**GRANTS and SPONSORSHIPS**

- 2018 Calderwood Grant for Scholarship. Program for Writing and Rhetoric. \$1,000.
- 2017 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. Brown Chair for English Literacy, University of Arkansas. \$5,000.
- 2017 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. Office of Outreach and Engagement. University of Colorado. \$4,500.
- 2017 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. English Department. Colorado State University. \$1,000.
- 2017 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. CU Engage. University of Colorado. \$500.
- 2016 Conference on Community Writing, Diversity Grant, co-authored with Christine

- Macdonald. \$3,000.
- 2016 Conference on Community Writing, President's Fund for the Humanities, co-authored with Christine Macdonald. \$3,000.
- 2016 Dig In! to Local Food Community Literacy Project Grant. Office of Outreach and Engagement. University of Colorado. Project Co-PI. \$24,000.
- 2015 CU Engage Course Development Grant. University of Colorado. \$4,000.
- 2015 Graduate Committee on Arts and Humanities Grant, co-authored with Christine Macdonald. University of Colorado. \$3,000.
- 2015 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. Office of Outreach and Engagement. University of Colorado. \$4,500.
- 2015 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. CU Engage. University of Colorado. \$700.
- 2015 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. INVST Community Studies. University of Colorado. \$675.
- 2015 Conference on Community Writing sponsorship. Environmental Studies Program. University of Colorado. \$250.
- 2015 Arts & Sciences Fund for Excellence Grant. University of Colorado. \$500.
- 2014 President's Fund for the Humanities, co-authored with Christine Macdonald. \$3,000.
- 2014 Scholarship of Engagement Grant. Campus Compact of the Mountain West. \$1,500.
- 2014 Cengage Learning Conference on Community Writing Sponsorship. \$3,000.
- 2013 Engaged Campus Training Grant. Campus Compact of the Mountain West. \$2,000.
- 2013 Calderwood Travel Grant. Program for Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado. \$500.
- 2010 Course Development Grant. Office of Service-Learning, University of Colorado. \$1,000.
- 2009 Writing Program Curricular Design Grant. Institute for Ethical and Civic Engagement, University of Colorado. \$9,000.
- 2009 First-Year Writing Curriculum Design Grant. Office of Service-Learning, University of Colorado. \$3,000.

- 2008 Program Design Grant. Office of Service Learning, University of Colorado. \$4,500.
- 2008 Course Development Grant. Office of Service-Learning, University of Colorado. \$3,000.
- 2006 Course Development Grant. Office of Service-Learning, University of Colorado. \$3,000.
- 2005 Summer Research Travel Grant, H.D. Collection, Beinecke Library, Yale University. \$500.

### **RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2005-2006 University of Texas Dissertation Fellowship. University of Texas at Austin. \$22,000.
- 2002 International Summer Research Fellowship, Dublin and London. University of Texas at Austin. \$1,500.

### **INVITED TALKS, WORKSHOPS, and INTERVIEWS**

- 2019 Keynote speaker. Assembly for Expanded Perspectives on Learning of the National Council of Teachers of English. Estes Park, CO, June 20-23.
- 2018 [Interview](#), Office of Outreach and Engagement publication, University of Colorado Boulder.
- 2018 Interview, Barry University undergraduate course on Academic Publishing.
- 2017 [Interview](#), 4C4Equality publication.
- 2016 “Documenting Our Place in History: The Political Turn.” Workshop facilitator. Conference on College Composition and Communication. Houston, TX, April 6-9, 2016.
- 2015 “Community-Engaged Pedagogy and the Academic Job Market.” Collaborative Preparing Future Faculty Forum, Graduate Teacher Program, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, CO, March 7.
- 2014 Engagement Academy for University Leaders. University of Colorado delegate, three-day institute. Campus Compact, Greeley, CO. February 19-21.
- 2013 Keynote speaker. “Critical Service-Learning and Community-Centered Food Literacy.”

- International Conference on Food Studies. University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX. October 16.
- 2013 “Assessing and Publishing Service-Learning Work.” Engaged Faculty Institute on Service-Learning. University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO. April 3.
- 2012 “Service-Learning Curricular Planning and Design.” Lead facilitator, two-day institute. Naropa University and Regis University, Boulder, CO. May 17-18.
- 2012 “Using Critical Reflection to Assess Learning.” Engaged Faculty Institute on Service-Learning. University of Colorado Denver, Denver, CO. February 10.
- 2011 “The Role of Reflection in Service-Learning Courses.” Engaged Faculty Institute on Service-Learning. University of Colorado Denver, Denver, CO. February 11.
- 2010 “Service-Learning Across the Curriculum.” Full-day seminar. Georgetown Day High School, Washington, D.C.. May 19.
- 2009 “Reciprocal Relationships: Community Partners and University Instructors.” Community Partner Symposium, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. December 11.
- 2008 “Is Your Agency Ready for Service-Learning?” Volunteer Connection, Boulder, CO. November 19.
- 1998 “In the Beginnings: World Creation Myths.” Summer Teacher Institute on Art and Mythology, National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C. June.
- 1998 “The American Herakles: Davy Crockett and Frontier Legends.” Summer Teacher Institute on Art and Mythology, National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C. June.
- 1998 “The Heroic Quest in Art and Literature.” Summer Teacher Institute on Art and Mythology, National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C. July.

## CONFERENCES

### Conferences Organized and Chaired

- 2019 Conference on Community Writing. “Doing the Work.”  
Conference Co-Chair and Organizer. Philadelphia, PA. October 17-19.
- 2017 Conference on Community Writing. “Engaging Networks and Ecologies.”  
Conference Chair and Organizer. Boulder, CO. October 19-21.
- 2015 Conference on Community Writing. “Building Engaged Infrastructure.”  
Founding Conference Chair and Organizer. Boulder, CO. October 15-17.

### **Workshops Organized**

- 2019 “Community Writing Mentoring Workshop.” Workshop co-chair with Paula Mathieu. Conference on College Composition and Communication, Pittsburg. March 13-17.
- 2018 “Transformative Leadership Development for Community Writing and the Engaged College/University.” Workshop co-chair with Ellen Cushman and Thomas Miller. Conference on College Composition and Communication, Kansas City. March 16-20.
- 2017 “Community Writing Mentoring Workshop.” Workshop co-chair with Paula Mathieu. Conference on College Composition and Communication, Portland. March 15-18.
- 2012 “Becoming Engaged: Service-Learning and Civic Engagement in Program and Course Design.” Workshop chair. Conference on College Composition and Communication, St. Louis. March 21-24.

### **Papers Presented**

- 2019 “Local Food Literacy and the Climate Communication Trap.” Conference on College Composition and Communication, Pittsburg. March 13-17.
- 2018 “Editor’s Roundtable.” Regional Conference on College Composition and Communication, Denver. July 21.
- 2018 “Local Food Literacy and Distributed Writing in/as a Complex Ecology.” Conference on College Composition and Communication, Kansas City. March 16-20.
- 2017 “Cultivating Ecological Community Literacies in School Gardens.” Respondent. Conference on College Composition and Communication, Portland. March 15-18.
- 2017 “Seeing the Elephant.” Chair’s Address. Conference on Community Writing, Boulder. October 18-21.
- 2016 “Eco-administration and the Engaged Writing Program.” Conference on College Composition and Communication, Houston. April 6-9.
- 2015 [“Engaged Infrastructure for an Engaged Discipline.”](#) Chair’s Address. Conference on Community Writing, Boulder. October 15-17.
- 2015 "Local Food, Community Food Literacy, and Rhetorics of Abundance." Conference on Communication and Environment, Boulder. June 11-14.
- 2015 “Assessing Effects of Community-Engaged Pedagogy on Faculty.” Conference on College Composition and Communication, Tampa. March 18-21.

- 2013 “The Composition of Food: Connecting Service-Learning Students to Grassroots Community Initiatives through Writing.”  
International Conference on Food Studies, Austin, TX. October 15-16.
- 2013 “Re-Framing the Argument: Critical Service-Learning and Community-Based Food Literacy.”  
Conference on College Composition and Communication, Las Vegas. March 13-16.
- 2012 “Service-Learning Program Design and Administration.”  
Conference on College Composition and Communication, St. Louis. March 21-24.
- 2012 “Reflective Service-Learning Courses: Gateways to Critical Thinking.”  
Conference on College Composition and Communication, St. Louis. March 21-24.
- 2011 “Generating, Documenting, and Assessing Critical Thinking in Service-Learning Composition Courses.”  
Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association, Scottsdale. October 6-8.
- 2009 “Theoretical and Practical Approaches to Critical Reflection.”  
University of Colorado Conference on Service-Learning and Civic Engagement, Boulder. October 30.
- 2008 “Establishing, Maintaining, and Nurturing Community Partnerships and Placements.”  
Institute for Ethical and Civic Engagement Conference, University of Colorado, Boulder. October 29.
- 2007 “Classroom as Community, Community as Classroom: A Model For Service-Learning in Composition Courses.”  
Conference on College Composition and Communication, New York. March 21-24.
- 2005 “‘Fed Up With Songs Where the Women are Doormats’: Gendered Violence / Gendered Nationalism in Anne Devlin’s *Ourselves Alone*.”  
American Conference for Irish Studies, University of St. Thomas, Houston. February 24-26.
- 2005 “‘Out of Our Daddy’s Shadows’: Gabrielle as Feminist Bard in *Xena Warrior Princess*.”  
Popular Culture Association / American Culture Association, Albuquerque. February 10-11.
- 2004 “If Clytemnestra is ‘Too Nice For Murder’: Sylvia Plath’s Tragic Failure.”  
Emerging Scholarship in Women’s and Gender Studies, University of Texas, Austin. March 19.
- 2003 “‘Cadences of Change and Mortal Pain’: Earth Mother and Aging Mother in Eavan Boland’s Poetry.”  
American Conference for Irish Studies, University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis. June 4-7.



1999 “Zora Neale Hurston’s *Their Eyes Were Watching God: An African-American Odyssey.*”  
American Women and Classical Myth, University of Maryland, College Park. September  
24-25.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **University of Colorado Boulder**

2006-present Senior Instructor, Program for Writing and Rhetoric  
All courses are self-designed undergraduate courses.  
First-Year Writing and Rhetoric (service-learning)  
Food and Culture (service-learning)  
Rhetorics of Sustainability (service-learning)  
Environmental Writing (service-learning)  
Composing a Civic Life: Food and Sustainability (service-learning)  
Greek Mythology and Its Legacy  
Homer’s Daughters: Feminist Odysseys of the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries  
Contemporary Women Writers

### **University of Texas at Austin**

1999-2006 Instructor, Department of English and Division of Rhetoric and Writing  
All courses are self-designed undergraduate courses.  
The Rhetoric of Greek Mythology in Ancient and Modern Literatures  
The Rhetoric and Practice of Service-Learning (service-learning)  
The Rhetoric of Women’s Literature (service-learning)  
Reading Women Writers  
The Rhetoric of Greek Mythology

### **University of Maryland at College Park**

Summer 2006 Instructor, Department of Classics  
Self-designed seminar for seniors and M.A. students.  
Theoretical Approaches to Mythology

Summer 1999 Instructor, Department of Classics  
Self-designed, honors-level course.  
Greek and Roman Mythology

1996-1999 T.A., Department of Classics  
Introduction to Greek and Roman Mythology

## **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

2018-present Founding Executive Director, Coalition for Community Writing.

- 2015-present Founder and Chair, Conference on Community Writing.
- 2018 Manuscript Reviewer for *CCC*.
- 2017-2018 Strategic Action Task Force Committee, Conference on College Composition and Communication.
- 2016 Journal Special Issue, Guest Editor for *Reflections: Public Rhetoric, Civic Writing, and Service Learning* entitled “Sustainable Communities and Environmental Communication.” 16.1. (Co-Edited with Catherine Lasswell and Rebecca Dickson).
- 2016 Journal Special Issue, Guest Editor for *Community Literacy Journal* entitled “Building Engaged Infrastructure.” 11.1. (Co-Edited with Seth Myers and Shannon Carter).
- 2016-2017 Manuscript Reviewer for *Comparative Literature*.
- 2015-2017 Scholarship and Publications Committee. International Association for Research in Service-Learning and Community Engagement.
- 2015 Rhetoric Society of America, conference proposal reviewer.
- 2014-2015 Curriculum Development Committee: Training the Trainers Program, Campus Compact of the Mountain West.
- 2013-present Manuscript reviewer for *Reflections: Public Rhetoric, Civic Writing, and Service-Learning*
- 2013-present Advisory Committee, Campus Compact of the Mountain West.
- 2013-present Engaged Faculty Consultant, Engaged Consulting Corps, Campus Compact.
- 2013 Manuscript reviewer for Oxford University Press.
- 2012-present Editorial Team, Manuscript Reviewer, and Faculty Mentor for *Undergraduate Journal of Service-Learning and Community-Based Research*.
- 2012-2014 Manuscript reviewer for Bedford St. Martin’s.
- 2011-2013 Colorado Campus Compact Advisory Committee. Denver, CO.
- 2011-2013 Colorado Campus Compact Faculty Development Committee. Denver, CO.
- 2011-2013 Scholarship of Engagement Grant reviewer. Campus Compact.
- 2010-2015 Engaged Faculty Institute Planning Committee, founding member, University of Colorado Boulder representative, Campus Compact of the Mountain West.

## **SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY**

- 2016-present Faculty Fellow. Boulder Talks. Department of Communication, University of Colorado.
- 2016-present CU-Boulder Outreach Committee. Office of Outreach and Engagement, University of Colorado.
- 2015-present Steering Committee. CU Engage Center for Community-Based Research and Pedagogy, University of Colorado.
- 2015-present Faculty Fellow. CU Engage Center for Community-Based Research and Pedagogy, University of Colorado.
- 2009-2014 Leader of service-learning recruitment and training in private consultations and departmental workshops for University of Colorado faculty.
- 2009-2012 Steering Committee. Institute for Ethical and Civic Engagement, University of Colorado.
- 2010-2012 Co-organizer of Institute for Ethical and Civic Engagement Annual Scholars Conference, including Patti Clayton and Robert Bringle, University of Colorado.
- 2010 “How to Become an Engaged Department.” Engaged Department Workshop, Lead presenter. Institute for Ethical and Civic Engagement, University of Colorado. March 4.
- 2010 Civic Engagement Certificate Committee, University of Colorado.
- 2010 Civic Engagement Certificate Proposal, co-author, University of Colorado.
- 2009 Model Project Workshop Leader. University of Colorado. September 15.
- 2009 Working With Community Partners. IECE Conference. University of Colorado. May 6.
- 2008-2009 Planning Committee for University of Colorado Conference on Service-Learning and Civic Engagement, University of Colorado.
- 2008-2011 Course Development Grant reviewer. Office of Service Learning. University of Colorado.
- 2008 “Service-Learning.” Faculty Teaching Excellence Program, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. March 19.

**SERVICE TO PROGRAM FOR WRITING AND RHETORIC, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER**

- 2017-2018 Sustainability Committee. Helped organize Front Range Sustainability Forum.
- 2016 “Critical Service-Learning and Community Ecologies.” Faculty Summer Seminar presentation.
- 2015 ARPAC committee.
- 2009-present Creator and author of Writing Initiative for Service and Engagement website. [http://www.colorado.edu/pwr/service\\_learning.html](http://www.colorado.edu/pwr/service_learning.html)
- 2009-present Program Committee.
- 2008-present Writing Initiative for Service and Engagement, founding coordinator.
- 2007-present Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Committee, Chair.
- 2012-2013 Sustainability Committee.
- 2011-2013 Organizer of Annual Student Service-Learning Showcase.
- 2010-2012 Organizer of Distinguished Scholar Workshops including Patti Clayton, Tom Deans, Robert Bringle, and Steve Parks.
- 2012 PWR Director Search Committee.
- 2011 Workshop leader: “Adapting Patti Clayton’s DEAL Model to a Composition Curriculum.” March 4.
- 2010 Organizer of Service-Learning panel discussion about vertical service-learning curriculum. April 1.
- 2010 Organizer of Service-Learning Community Partner Speaker Series.
- 2009 Workshop leader: “Nuts and Bolts of Service-Learning.” May 13.
- 2009 Workshop leader: “Planning Your Service-Learning Course.” May 6.
- 2009 Writing Initiative for Service and Engagement Retreat, facilitator. February 20.
- 2008-2009 Personnel Committee.
- 2007-2008 Upper-Division Writing Committee.

## **SERVICE TO ENGLISH DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN**

- 2005 Texas Interdisciplinary Plan Admissions Committee.
- 2004-2005 Gateway Program for At-Risk Freshmen Committee.
- 2004-2005 Texas Interdisciplinary Plan Minority Retention Committee.
- 1999-2005 Undergraduate Writing Center Consultant.

## **SERVICE TO COMMUNITY**

- 2015-present The Shed: Boulder County Foodshed, Education and Promotion Committee, Chair.
- 2014-present The Shed: Boulder County Foodshed, Board Member.
- 2013-2014 Bridge House Board of Directors.

## **STUDENT ADVISING**

- 2018 Masters Thesis Committee Member: “How can public policy create opportunities and barriers to the development of a local food system? An example of how land-use policies affect small, local farmers in Boulder County.”  
Student: Ashley Dancer, Leeds School of Business and Environmental Studies Program. University of Colorado. Boulder, CO
- 2018 Honors Thesis Committee Member: “Feasibility, Effectiveness, and Impact: An Evaluation of the Community Food Advocate Pilot Project.”  
Student: Eva Coringrato, Environmental Studies Program. University of Colorado. Boulder, CO.
- 2017 Honors Thesis Committee Member: “Food Insecurity Among College Students: An Assessment of Prevalence and Solutions.”  
Student: Emilie Adamovic. Environmental Studies Program. University of Colorado. Boulder, CO.
- 2014 Independent Study: “The Burger Project.”  
Student: Erin Bates. Spring semester.  
University of Colorado. Boulder, CO.
- 2008 Honors Thesis Committee Member. “Young Women’s Work and Family Aspirations: Gendering the Discourses of the ‘Successful’ Parent and Professional.”

Student: Katie Altman. Communication Department. University of Colorado. Boulder, CO.

2007 Honors Thesis Committee Member. "La Catabase dans les poems de Conort."  
Student: Leah Rubinsky. French Department. University of Colorado. Boulder, CO.

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS**

Campus Compact of the Mountain West  
Coalition for Community Writing  
Conference on College Composition and Communication  
International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement  
International Environmental Communication Association

## **REFERENCES**

Paula Mathieu, Associate Professor of English  
Director of First-Year Writing  
Boston College  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467  
(617) 669-8768  
mathiepa@bc.edu

Steve Parks, Associate Professor of English  
University of Virginia  
Bryan Hall  
Charlottesville, VA 22904  
(267) 258-9632  
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Temple University  
1014 Anderson Hall  
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