

John M. Ackerman

2021 FRPA Curriculum Vitae

2007 Co-appointed Program for Writing and Rhetoric (PWR) CAS Roster Line
 Department of Communication (COMN) CMCI Tenure Line

Specializations Material memory within urban spaces
 Cultural economies and economic violence
 Civic and university planning and redevelopment
 Rhetoric as everyday life

Academic Positions & Appointments at University of Colorado at Boulder

Associate Professor, Communication, University of Colorado 2007-2021
Associate Director, PWR 2007-2008, 2011-2021
Director, PWR 2008-2011
Interim Director 2015, Spring

Previous Tenure-track Appointments

Associate Professor: Kent State University 2000-2007
 Norther Arizona University 1997-2000
 University of Utah 1995-1997
Assistant Professor: University of Utah 1988-1995

Education

1989 PhD Carnegie Mellon, Department of English, Rhetoric
1980 MA University of Missouri, College of Education, Curriculum and Instruction
1975 BA University of Missouri, Department of English, American Literature,

Awards and Recognition

2020 Sabbatical Leave, CU-Boulder, Fall Semester.
2019 Plenary, Inaugural Rhetoric Society of American Public Project in Reno, NV.
2014 Exemplary Service, Consortium of Doctoral Programs in Rhetoric and Composition.
2014 Faculty Affairs: LEAP Individual Growth Grant Award.
2013 Sabbatical Leave, CU-Boulder, Fall Semester.
2013 Provost Faculty Award (for proposed CMCI with Koschman, Sprain, Clarke, Goldstein.
2007 Sabbatical Leave, Kent State University (unfulfilled with 2007 UCB hire).
2006 Arts and Sciences Symposium (invited talk), *A Tale of Three Cities*.
2006 7th annual Kent State Symposium on Democracy, *The Rediscovery of Public Debate*.
2005 Moulton Scholarship, *Embedded Technology in a Tiered Writing Program*.
2003 Research and Graduate Studies Research Leave, Kent State University.
1996 Excellence in Teaching (recognition), Graduate School of Education, University of Utah.
1993 NAE Spencer Post-doctoral Fellowship, 1993, *Writing and Learning in Disciplines*.
1993 Convocation Address, *The Professional. On the Edge?* University of Utah.
1992 University Professor in Liberal Education (honorary rank), University of Utah.
1990 Promising Research in English Education, NCTE Standing Committee on Research.
1984 NEH Seminar: Composition: A Composing Process, University of Wyoming.

Scholarship

Books

- 2010 Ackerman, John M. & Coogan, David R., eds. The Public Work of Rhetoric: Citizen-Scholars and Civic Engagement. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press. Winner 2011 Outstanding Book Award for Civic Scholarship.
- 2000 Ackerman, John M. A Sense of Place: Physical, Natural, and Cultural Environments (Third Edition, custom reader). Boston: Houghton Mifflin.
- 1994 Flower, Linda & Ackerman, John. Writers at Work: Strategies for Communicating in Business and Professional Settings. Fort Worth, TX: Harcourt Brace.
- 1990 Flower, L., Stein, V., Ackerman, J., McCormick, K., Kantz, M., & Peck, W. Reading to Write: Exploring a Cognitive and Social Process. New York: Oxford University Press.

Articles

- 2020 Ackerman, John. The Unbuilt City of Reno. Review of Communication, 20 (2), Special Issue on the Reno RSA Public Project, 104-118.
- 2019 Ackerman, John. Wild Cosmopolitanism, Wily Oscillations in Artificial Neighborhoods. Poroi, 15 (1) Special Issue on rhetoric and resilience (released January 7, 2020), 1-21.
- 2018 Ackerman, John. Wild Cosmopolitanism for the Pursuit of a Quotidian Indigeneity. Works and Days 70/71, 36. 40th Anniversary Retrospective, 227-249.
- 2016 Ackerman, John, Caroline Gottschalk-Druschke, Bridie McGreavy & Leah Sprain. The Skunkwork of Ecological Engagement. Reflections, 16 (1), 75-95.
- 2010 Phelps, Louise & John Ackerman. Making the Case for Disciplinarity in Rhetoric, Composition and Writing Studies: The Visibility Project. College Composition and Communication, 62 (1). Special Issue: The Future of Rhetoric and Composition, 180-215.
- 1995 Greene, Stuart, & Ackerman, John. Expanding the Constructivist Metaphor: A Rhetorical Perspective on Literacy Research and Practice. Review of Educational Research, 65 (4), 383-420.
- 1993 Ackerman, John M. The Promise of Writing to Learn. Written Communication, 10, 334-370.
- 1991 Ackerman, John M. Reading, Writing, and Knowing: The Role of Disciplinary Knowledge in Comprehension and Composing. Research in the Teaching of English, 25, 133-177.
- 1988 Berkenkotter, C., Huckin, T., & Ackerman, J. Conventions, Conversations and the Writer: Case Study of a Student in a Rhetoric Ph.D. Program. Research in the Teaching of English, 22, 9-44.

Articles, Chapters, Edited projects in press, accepted, drafted for 2022/23

- 2022 John Ackerman. Redevelopments, The Unbuilt City. In Power, Place, Publics (along with the original article and Review of Communication special issue. Routledge Press.
- 2022 Ackerman, John. Violent Clouds, Ashen Memories. In Rhetorical Climatology, a multi-text (with Chris Ingraham, Jennifer LeMesurier, Bridie McGreavy, Candice Rai, Nathan Stormer), accepted for publication pending final reviews. Michigan State University Press.
- 2022 Ackerman, John & Michael Lechuga, eds. Configuring Dissettlement: Fugitive Bodies, Fungible Places. Invited themed issue, Review of Communication 22 (4). Coauthored introduction with six edited essays and performances.
- 2022 Ackerman, John. No Such Thing as a Wall. Rhetoric Society Quarterly. Special Forum on Rhetoric and New Materialism (accepted, 4300 words).
- 2022 Ackerman, John. Economies Lost and Found in Late-modern Neighborhoods. For Communication and Critical Cultural Studies (revising for July submission, 8,700 words).

- 2023 Ackerman, John. Rhetoric and Everyday Life. Five-chapter monograph, sabbatical project Fall, 2020. Currently being rewritten post BLM, white nationalism, economic upheaval, political insurrection, and malleable facticity.

Chapters in Edited Books

- 2018 John Ackerman & Meghan Dunn. On Democracy's Return Home: The Occupation of Liberty/Zucotti Park. In Unruly Rhetorics (J. Alexander, S. Jarrett & N. Welch Eds.). University of Pittsburgh Press, 261-281.
- 2018 Ackerman, John. Rhetoric Among the Ruins. In Field Rhetoric: Ethnography, Ecology, and Engagement in the Places of Persuasion (Candice Rai and Caroline Gottschalk-Druschke, eds.). University of Alabama Press, 171-192.
- 2018 Ackerman, John. Walking in The City: The Arrival of the Rhetorical Subject. In Tracing Rhetoric and Material Life (B. McGreavy, J. Wells, G. F. McHendry, Jr., S. Senda-Cook, Eds.). Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan, 117-140.
- 2010 Ackerman, John M. Rhetorical Engagement in the Cultural Economies of Cities. In Ackerman, J. & Coogan, D. (Eds.) The Public Work of Rhetoric: Citizen-Scholars and Civic Engagement. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 76-97.
- 2010 Coogan, David R. & Ackerman, John M. Introduction: The Space to Work in Public Life. In Ackerman, J. & Coogan, D. (Eds.) The Public Work of Rhetoric: Citizen-Scholars and Civic Engagement. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 1-16.
- 2007 Ackerman, John M. Teaching the Capital City. In Weisser, C. & Heller, C. (Eds.), The Locations of Composition, SUNY Press, 109-130.
- 2003 Ackerman, John M. The Space for Rhetoric in Everyday Life. In Nystrand, M., Duffy, J. (Eds.), Towards a Rhetoric of Everyday Life. Madison: Wisconsin Press, 84-120.
- 1996 Ackerman, John M. & Oates, Scott. Image, Text, and Power in Workplace Writing. In Duin, A. & Hansen, C. (Eds.), Multidisciplinary Research in Workplace Writing: Challenging the Boundaries. Erlbaum Press, 81-121.
- 1995 Berkenkotter, C., Huckin, T., & Ackerman, J. Conventions, Conversations, and the Writer: An Apprentice Tale of a Doctoral Student. In Berkenkotter, C., & Huckin, T, Genre Knowledge in Academic Writing. Erlbaum Press, 117-144.
- 1995 Ackerman, John M. Postscript: The Assimilation and 'Tactics' of Nate. In Berkenkotter, C., & Huckin, T, Genre Knowledge in Academic Writing. Erlbaum Press, 145-150.
- 1990 Ackerman, John M. Translating Context into Action. In Flower, L., Stein, V., Ackerman, J., McCormick, K., Kantz, M., & Peck, W. (Eds.), Reading to Write: Exploring a Cognitive and Social Process. New York: Oxford University Press, 173-193.
- 1990 Ackerman, John M. Students' Self Analyses and Judges' Perceptions: Where Do They Agree? In Flower, L., Stein, V., Ackerman, J., McCormick, K., Kantz, M., & Peck, W. (Eds.), Reading to Write: Exploring a Cognitive and Social Process. New York: Oxford University Press, 96-115.
- 1990 Berkenkotter, C., Huckin, T., & Ackerman, J. *Social Context and Socially Constructed Texts*. In Bazerman, C., & Paradis, J. (Eds.), Texts and the Professions: Historical and Contemporary Studies of Writing in Academic and Other Professional Communities. Madison: Wisconsin University Press, 191-216. 1994 reprinted in Bazerman, C., & Russell, D. (Eds.) Landmark Essays on Writing Across the Curriculum. Davis, CA: Hermagoras Press, 211-232.
- 1990 Enos, R., & Ackerman, J. Walter J. Ong and the Archaeology of Orality and Literacy. In Gronbeck, B., Farrell, T., Soukup, P. & White, R (Eds.), Media, Consciousness, and Culture: Studies of Ong's Contributions to Rhetoric Communication, and Criticism. Sage Press, 108-120.
- 1987 Enos, R., & Ackerman, J. Letteraturizzazione and Hellenic Rhetoric: An Analysis for Research with Extensions. In Kneupper, C. (Ed.), Visions of Rhetoric: History, Theory and Criticism. Arlington, TX: Rhetoric Society of America, 11-22.

Technical Reports

- 2015 Academic Futures White Paper: Cross-curricular Writing at UCB.
- 2014 ARPAC Program Review Self Study for PWR (committee chair, primary writer).
- 2008 ARPAC Program Review Self Study for PWR (committee chair, primary writer).
- 2005 Report on the National Survey of Doctoral Programs. Consortium of Doctoral Programs in Rhetoric and Composition.
- 2004 Report on Internal and External Research: Writing Program Initiative, Kent State University
- 1994 Collaborative Planning in Business and Architectural Training. Center for the Study of Writing and Literacy at UC-Berkeley and Carnegie Mellon University.
- 1990 Reading, Writing, and Knowing: The Role of Disciplinary Knowledge in Comprehension and Composing. Report # 40 for the Center for the Study of Writing at UC-Berkeley and Carnegie Mellon University.
- 1989 Social Context and Socially Constructed Texts. Report # 33 for the Center for the Study of Writing at UC-Berkeley and Carnegie Mellon University, with Berkenkotter, C., Huckin, T.
- 1989 A Sequence for Integrating Prior Knowledge with Information from Sources. In McCormick, K (Ed.) Expanding the Repertoire: An Anthology of Practical Approaches to Teaching Writing. Report # 30 for the Center for the Study of Writing at UC-Berkeley and Carnegie Mellon University.
- 1989 Translating Context into Action. Report # 27 for the Center for the Study of Writing at UC-Berkeley and Carnegie Mellon University.
- 1989 Students' Self Analyses and Judges' Perceptions: Where Do They Agree? Report # 23 for the Center for the Study of Writing at UC-Berkeley and Carnegie Mellon University.
- 1985 Do Experts Need Documentation? The Job-Specific Information Needs of Advanced System Users. Austin Technical Publications. Report # 20 for the Communications Design Center, Carnegie Mellon University, with Duffy, T.

Other Manuscripts

- 1994 Writers at Work (editor, ancillary): Instructor's Manual (compiled by Louise Rehling, 89 pages). Fort Worth, TX: Harcourt Brace College Publishers.
- 1994 Writers at Work (editor, ancillary): Casebook for Teachers and Students. Fort Worth, TX: Harcourt Brace College Publishers.
- 1994 Ackerman, John M. The Sandy City Water System Proposal: Document Analysis. In J. Ackerman (Ed.), Casebook for Teachers and Students. Fort Worth, TX: Harcourt Brace College Publishers.
- 1994 Ackerman, J. M., and Rehling, L. The Metco Leasing Proposal: Collaboration and Building a Draft. In J. Ackerman (Ed.), Casebook for Teachers and Students. Fort Worth, TX: Harcourt Brace College Publishers.
- 1989 Ackerman, John M. Reading and Writing in the Academy: A Comparison of Two Disciplines. Dissertation, English Department, Carnegie Mellon University.
- 1987 Ackerman, John M. *Book Review: The Teaching of Writing* (Petrosky, A. & Bartholomae, D. Eds.). Teachers College Record, 89, 333-337.

Grants

2018	\$1,000	Arts and Sciences Fund for Excellence, 2017, CU-Boulder
2017	\$700	Arts and Sciences Fund for Excellence, 2017, CU-Boulder
2016	\$700	Arts and Sciences Fund for Excellence, 2016, CU-Boulder
2015	\$700	Arts and Sciences Fund for Excellence, 2015, CU-Boulder
2014	\$5,445	LEAP Faculty Growth Grant, Faculty Affairs, 2013-14, CU-Boulder
2014	\$700	Deans Fund for Excellence.

2013	\$6,500	Provost CMCI Faculty Group (with M. Koschmann, L. Sprain, S. Clarke, B. Goldstein), Design, Deliberation, Democracy.
2013	\$700	Deans Fund for Excellence.
2012	\$750	Deans Fund for Excellence.
2011	\$2,000	Continuing Education and Outreach, Rhetoric in the Schools.
2011	\$750	Deans Fund for Excellence.
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2009	\$750	Deans Fund for Excellence.
2008	\$1,200	Reaping and Sowing Grant, Department of Communication.
2004	\$1,500	University Research Council, Kent State University.
1996	\$2,250	University Teaching Committee, University of Utah.
1995	\$2,000	Humanities Technology Committee, University of Utah.
1995	\$4,000	Faculty Assistance Subcommittee: Starter Grant for Technology, U. of Utah
1994	\$5,000	Dissemination Grant. Center ~ Study of Writing at UC-Berkeley and CMU,
1993	\$35,000	Spencer Foundation Fellowship, National Academy of Education.
1992	\$1,000	University Teaching Committee, University of Utah
1990	\$3,325	Faculty Research Grant, University Research Committee, University of Utah
1989	\$1,000	Faculty Research Grant, University Research Committee, University of Utah

Conference Papers (from 2010, refereed, single authored)

2019	Rhetoric Society of America 8th Biennial Institute, Workshop on Rhetoric, Publics, and Placemaking in Everyday Life (with Greg Dickinson, Candice Rai)
2019	Inaugural Rhetoric Society of America Public Project, University of Nevada Reno, The Rhetorical Life of the Unbuilt City, plenary address.
2018	Alliance for Rhetoric or Science, Technology and Medicine, Wild, Wily Oscillations and the Recovery of Techno-scientific Resilience.
2018	Rhetoric Society of America, Democracy after Ecology.
2017	National Communication Association, A Life More Ordinary.
2016	Rhetoric Society of America, Humility (when talking about ecology).
2016	Rhetoric Society of America, Materializing Memory (invited, plenary session).
2014	National Communication Association, Economic Rhetoric in Post-industrial Cities.
2014	Rhetoric Society of America, Rhetoric In Vivo.
2014	Rhetoric Society of America, Rhetorical Irreducibility.
2013	National Communication Association, Materiality as the Tie that Binds.
2013	Conference on College Composition and Communication, Capitalizing on the Cultural Economy of Writing and Rhetoric.
2011	Modern Language Association, The Future of Rhetoric and Composition (featured session, MLA Executive Committee).
2011	National Communication Association, Iconicity and Monumentality in the Rhetorical Figurations of Collective Memory.
2010	National Communication Association, Choric Invention: Alive in the Lost Geographies.
2010	National Communication Association, A Corner Conversation on Space & Culture (special session sponsored by the divisions of Cultural Studies and Rhetorical Theory).
2010	Urban Communication Foundation, (Notes Toward) Materiality and Poiesis.
2010	Rhetoric Society of America, Investigating the Rhetoric and Politics of Regret (featured session).
2010	Rhetoric Society of America, Choric Becomings in Architecture.

From 1990 to 2009, I delivered 40 conference papers at the Conference on College Composition and Communication (12), National Reading Conference (5), American Educational Research Association annual (5), Western States Rhetoric and Literacy (4), Rhetoric Society of America (3), National Communication Association annual (2), and others (5), with these notable events:

2003	Alliance of Rhetorical Societies, plenary event, refereed participation, Northwestern University.
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- 1995 National Academy of Education, Harvard University (Spencer Fellow presentation), The Engendering of Disciplinary Knowledge.
- 1991 NCTE Committee on Research, Intertextuality in Disciplinary Composing.
- 1990 NCTE, Reports of the 1990 Promising Researchers.

Major Service Projects

- 2019 Advisory Board, First-year Seminars (on-going).
- 2019 PWR Tenure-track search committee, chair (on-going).
- 2019 Communication PUECs (2), 4th year comprehensive & promotion and tenure.
- 2018 Academic Futures, White Paper on Cross-curricular Writing.
- 2017 Environmental Design tenure-track search committee, outside member (3 hires).
- 2016 PWR ARPAC self-study chair.
- 2015 Interim Director, PWR, Spring.
- 2014 PWR Tenure-track search committee.
- 2013 Provost ICJMT Faculty Award (CMCI development, with Matt Koschman, Leah Sprain, Susan Clarke, Bruce Goldstein), \$6,500.
- 2011 Rhetoric Society of America, Co-director & Local Host 2011 Summer Institute at CU-Boulder.
- 2011 Communication Tenure-track Search Committee, Community Engagement.
- 2011 CAS Ad Hoc Committee on Writing.
- 2010 Communication, Graduate Committee.
- 2010 Consortium of Doctoral Programs in R/C, Executive Committee Chair.

Journal Reviewer

Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies	Editorial Board
Rhetoric Society Quarterly	Editorial Board
Review of Communication	Editorial Board
Communication Monographs	Guest Reviewer
Western Journal of Communication	Editorial Board (former)
Written Communication	Guest Reviewer
College Composition and Communication	Guest Reviewer
Cultural Studies	Guest Reviewer
Cultural Economies	Guest Reviewer

Teaching (since 2007)

Graduate

- COMM 5720 Readings in Communication and Technology (2)
- COMM6200 Special Topics: Reassembling the Social in Rhetoric and Communication
- COMM 6200 Special Topics: Solidarity and Design
- COMM6310 Rhetorical Criticism: Rhetorical Places (with Peter Simonson)
- COMM6200 Special Topics: Materiality/Space/Rhetoric

Undergraduate

- COMM3610 Communication and Technology
- COMM4300 Senior Seminar: Rhetorical Places (2)
- WRTG 3400 Writing for Business: Cultural Economies
- WRTG 3200 Composing Civic Life (AY semester and Maymester, 4)

WRTG 1150 Writing and Rhetoric, Sustainability and Social Interaction RAP (4)
 WRTG 1000 FYSM: Be Boulder in Reassembled Places (CAS core graduation)

Advising

Doctoral Candidates	Role	Graduated	Campus	Area
Michael Szuberia	Member	2022	UCB	Environmental Design
Christopher Dunn	Member	2021	UCB	Environmental Studies
Harry Archer	Advisor	2019	UC-B	Rhetoric
Tim Roberts	Member	2019	UC-B	Intermedia Arts
Jake Dionne	Exam	2018	UC-B	Rhetoric
Claire Chase	Member/Advisor	2016	UC-B	Rhetoric
Meaghan Dunn	Member	2015	UC-B	Rhetoric
Pascal Gagne	Member	2015	UC-B	Organizational Studies
Daniel Kim	Advisor	2013*	CU-B	Rhetoric
Christy-Dale Sims	Member	2013	CU-B	Rhetoric
Diane Keeling	Advisor	2012	CU-B	Rhetoric
Daniel Shaefer	Member	2012	CU-B	Organizational Studies
Allie Rowland	Member	2011	CU-B	Rhetoric
Merrit Dukehart	Member	2011	CU-B	Rhetoric
Katie Cruger	Co-advisor	2011	CU-B	Rhetoric
Margaret Durfy	Member	2011	CU-B	Critical/Cultural Studies
Marsha Wiley	Member	ABD	KSU	Rhetoric/Composition
Chad Wickman	Member	2008	KSU	Rhetoric/Composition
Onur Azeri	Member	ABD	KSU	Rhetoric/Composition
Frank Rosen	Advisor	ABD	KSU	Rhetoric/Composition
Kathryn Weiss	Advisor	2006	KSU	Rhetoric/Composition
Steve Butcher	Member	2007	KSU	Geography
Cuneyt Gurer	Member	2007	KSU	Geography
Velvet Nelson	Member	2005	KSU	Geography
Bill Buxton	Member	1999	Utah	Education
Lynn Bekins	Member	1999	Utah	Rhetoric/Composition
Angella Beck	Member	1999	Utah	Linguistics
Scott Oates	Advisor	1998	Utah	Rhetoric/Composition
Michelle Kelly	Member	1998	Utah	Education
Brent Faber	Member	1997	Utah	Rhetoric/Composition

Masters Committees	Role	Graduated	Campus	Area
Rachel Schmidt	Advisor	2016	CU-B	Rhetoric
Meagan Wurster	Advisor	2013	CU-B	Rhetoric
Hillary Palmer	Member	2013	CU-B	Rhetoric
Svilen Trifonov	Member	2013	CU-B	Rhetoric
Angelina Ramos	Member	2010	CU-B	LSI
Nate Savery	Member	2010	CU-B	Organizational Studies
Katie Cruger	Member	2009	CU-B	Rhetoric
Michael Wiley	Member	2009	CU-B	Rhetoric
Nathan Stoneman	Member	2009	CU-B	Rhetoric
Shannon Dickerson	Member	2009	CU-B	Rhetoric

References Upon Request