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Curriculum Design | Effective Communication Practices | Undergraduate Teaching

Designing, delivering, assessing in-person and online training curricula and activities for college and adult learners. Personally and professionally committed to enacting and educating about diversity and inclusion practices, and working to counteract implicit bias within materials. Experienced administrator, mentor, and trainer, including consulting with higher education leaders for course design and presentation refinement.

POSITIONS

An online learning platform (including Canvas, Desire2Learn, Blackboard, Motivis) was incorporated in all courses listed below.

University of Colorado Boulder

Department of Communication

August 2022 - present: Associate Teaching Professor + Director of Online Programs

August 2019 – July 2022: Instructor + Director of Online Programs

Continuing Education (CE) Division

June 2019 – present: Online Liaison, Continuing Education Division, Online Credit

2010 – June, 2019: Lecturer, Continuing Education Division

Classes Taught (variety of modalities): Qualitative Research Methods, Senior Seminar: Effective Communication in the Workplace; Discourse, Culture, Identities; Rhetorical Research Methods; Principles and Practices of Argumentation; Persuasion in Society; Interpersonal Communication; Human Communication Theory

Courses Designed for CE online delivery by other instructors: COMM2400, 2650, 3210, 3330, 3410, 3610, 3420, 3470, 4420

Department Service:

Director of Online Programs, Department of Communication + CE Online Liaison (ongoing)

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (ongoing)

Orientation to Canvas for incoming department faculty and graduate students (every Fall)

Honors thesis advisor (EJ Bill)

Honors thesis committee member (Sophie Traube)

Department Internship Supervisor (since Summer 2021)

Department Coordinator, Learning Assistant Program (Fall 2021 - Fall 2023)

Merit Committee (2020, 2024)

Instructor Search Screening Committee (2021-2022)

University Service (ongoing since Summer 2019)

Online Liaison for Communication Department and Continuing Education Online Credit

Liaison for Continuing Education Evening Credit program

Online Teaching Mentoring of CE Comm GPTIs, Lecturers, and post-docs

Supervision of Service of Post-Doc Teachers in CE for COMM Department

Dr. Tajshen Campbell; Dr. Myles Mason; Dr. Jone Brunelle; Dr. Joann Marras Tate

HERS (Higher Education Resource Services) (sponsored agency of the University of Denver)

June 2017 – May 2019: Managed LMS; Developed curriculum and trained the trainer for women's leadership development programs and residential institutes, *including topics:*

Networking – Mentorship - Sponsorship, Organizational Change Management; Wellness;

Reframing Organizational Culture; Time Management; Effective Communication Across

Contexts; Difficult Conversations/Managing Conflict; Career Mapping; Working in Groups and

Teams; Leadership Transitions; Inclusive Excellence; Allyship

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University of Denver

2016, 2019: Adjunct, *Online Classes*; University College, College of Professional and Continuing Studies Master's Program

Classes: Applied Critical Thinking; Experiential Learning in Communication Management

2014 – June 2017: Visiting Assistant Teaching Professor, Communication Studies Department

Online and In-Person Classes: Foundations in Human Communication; Advanced Intercultural Communication; Critical Communication Inquiry (Rhetorical Methods); Rhetoric of Social Movements; Rhetorics of Native Social Movements; First Year (Writing) Seminar: History, Memory, Identity; Advanced (Writing) Seminar: The Power of Place-Making

James Madison University

2013 – 2014: Instructor, School of Communication Studies

Classes: Fundamental Human Communication: Group Presentations; Introduction to Communication Theory; Communication and Gender (cross-listed WMST/SCOM)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ongoing Independent Learning (exs: Zoom, Canvas, CidiLabs, QM)

Online Quality Matters (QM) standards training (University of Colorado Boulder, University of Denver)

Teaching Online Workshops (James Madison University; University of Denver)

Center for Faculty Innovation, jmuDesign Pedagogy Institute (by invitation) (James Madison University)

Managing Conflict & Effective Supervising Workshops (Univ of Denver, People Development Dept)

Mediation 40-hour training certificate (University of Denver, University College)

Q&A (Queer & Ally) Training/Network (University of Denver, Center for Multicultural Excellence)

Writing Program: Advanced Seminar Teaching Writing Faculty Training (University of Denver)

EDUCATION

University of Colorado (Boulder, CO)

Doctor of Philosophy, Communication
Women and Gender Studies Program Certificate

Advisor: Lisa A. Flores

Advisor: Alison Jaggard

University of Colorado (Boulder, CO)

Master of the Arts, Communication

Advisor: Bryan C. Taylor

University of Kansas (Lawrence, KS)

Bachelor of General Studies, Communication Studies; Anthropology, minor
Graduation with Distinction; Communication Studies Departmental Honors

RESEARCH

PUBLICATIONS

Sims, C. D. L. (Winter 2017) "Performing Native Rhetorics of Resistance and Identity" *Rhetoric & Public Address*, 20, no. 4, 731-750. Available at:
<https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.14321/rhetpublaffa.20.4.0731>

Flores, L. A. & Sims, C. D. L. (2016) The Zero-Sum Game of Race and the Familiar Strangeness of President Obama, *Southern Communication Journal*, 81, no. 4, 206-222, Available at:
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/1041794X.2016.1200125>

***Recipient, 2017 Rose B. Johnson Southern Communication Journal Annual Award**, honoring the author(s) of an outstanding, significant article published in the Southern Communication Journal, as determined by the Editor and editorial board.

Morrissey, M. E. & Sims, C. D. L., (December 2015) "The Writing on the Wall: (New) Racism in U.S. Public Conversations about Race" *Communication Currents*, 10, no. 6. Available at:
<http://www.natcom.org/CommCurrentsArticle.aspx?id=6741>

Sims, C. D. L. (August 2015) "Teaching Millennials the Ps & Q of Professional Emailing" *Communication Currents*, 10, no. 4. Available at:
<https://www.natcom.org/CommCurrentsArticle.aspx?id=6264>

Morrissey, M. E. & Sims, C. D. L., (2015) "Playing the Race Card: Antiracial Bordering and Rhetorical Practices of New Racism," *Review of Communication* 15, no. 2, 81-101 [DOI: 10.1080/15358593.2015.1009851](https://doi.org/10.1080/15358593.2015.1009851)

Sims, C. D. L. (2015) "Competency and Connection: Undergraduate Students and Effective Email Communication" *Communication Teacher*, 29, no. 3, 129-134. [DOI: 10.1080/17404622.2015.1028557](https://doi.org/10.1080/17404622.2015.1028557)

Opt, S. K. & Sims, C. D. L. (2015) "Scrum: Enhancing Student Team Organization and Collaboration" *Communication Teacher*, 29, no. 1, 55-62. [DOI: 10.1080/17404622.2014.939675](https://doi.org/10.1080/17404622.2014.939675)

Sims, C. D. L. (2008). "Invisible Wounds, Invisible Abuse: The Exclusion of Emotional Abuse in Newspaper Articles," *Journal of Emotional Abuse*, 8, 375- 402. Lead article. [DOI: 10.1080/10926790802480422](https://doi.org/10.1080/10926790802480422)

PRESENTATIONS (* indicates top paper)

Sims, C.D.L. (March 2018) Holistic Leadership. *National Women's Studies Association (NWSA) Chairs and Directors Meeting*, Denver, CO. (By invitation.)

Sims, C.D.L. (April 2017) Office of Teaching and Learning Discussion Panel: *Enhancing Your Teaching with Primary Sources: Immersion in the Digital and Physical Archives*. University of Denver, CO (By invitation.)

Sims, C.D.L. (February 2017) Workshop: *Hopes and Hurdles: Risking Telling Your Story and Why It's Worth It. Difficult Stories as Teaching Tools*. DU Women's Conference, Denver, CO

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- Sims, C. D. L. & Opt, S. K. (November 2014) *NCA Short Course: Scrum: Teaching Team Collaboration*, National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL
- Sims, C.D.L. (November 2014) *Mapping Marginalization through Mnemonic Rhetorics of Race*, National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL
- Sims, C. D. L. (May 2014) *Memory or Myth?: Resisting or Reiterating Colonial Borders through Native American Grave Sites*, Rhetoric Society of America, San Antonio, TX
- Morrissey, M. E. & Sims, C. D. L (May 2014) *Testing Thresholds: Interrogating the Ambiguity of Borders and Borderlands*, Rhetoric Society of America, San Antonio, TX
- Opt, S. K. & Sims, C. D. L. (April 2014) *SCRUM: A 'Lively Experiment' in Building Student Team Collaboration*, Eastern States Communication Conference, Providence, RI
- Sims, C. D. L. (November 2013) *(Native)American Borders: Haudenosaunee Passports and Rhetorics of Colonialism and Sovereignty*, National Communication Association, Washington, D.C.
- Sims, C. D. L. (November 2013) *"Race...Is Someone Expected to Win?: Revealing (Racial) Neoliberalism in The Race Card Project*, National Communication Association, Washington, D.C.
- Sims, C. D. L. (September 2013) *Social Justice and the 'Trail of Broken Promises': Walking the Line between Tradition and Technology*, Critical Ethnic Studies Conference, Chicago, IL
- Sims, C. D. L. (June 2013) *The Trail of Broken Promises and the Enabling Uncertainty of Thirdspace Identities*, Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute, Lawrence KS
- Sims, C. D. L. (February 2013) *Claiming Colonization, Disrupting Race: The Haskell Counterpublic's Fight for the Wakarusa Wetlands*, Western States Communication Association, Reno, NV
- Sims, C. D. L. (February 2012) *Hauntings and Highways: (Mis)remembering Indigenous People within the Nation*, Western States Communication Association, Albuquerque, NM
- * Sims, C. D. L. (November 2011) *Two Sides of the Same Coin: Economic Bailout Discourse as Liberating and Oppressive*, National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA ***Top Student Paper, Critical/Cultural Studies Division***
- Sims, C. D. L. (September 2011). *(Re)Producing U.S. Citizenship: Raced and Gendered Constructions of American Citizenship during World War II*, Critical Ethnic Studies Conference, Riverside, CA
- Sims, C. D. L. & Flores, L. A. (November 2010). *Citizenship in Black and White: The Controversy Surrounding President Obama's Speech to Schoolchildren*, National Communication Association, San Francisco, CA
- Sims, C. D. L. & Morrissey, M. E. (2010). *Outsider Masculinities: Disciplining of Japanese 'Herbivores' in Western Discourse*. National Women's Studies Association (NWSA), Denver, CO
- Sims, C. D. L. (March 2010). *Rhetorically Constructing American Identity in the United States' Passport*, Western States Communication Association, Anchorage, AK

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- * Sims, C. D. L. (2009). *Proud to be an American: Nature, Nostalgia and Americentrism in the U.S. Passport*, National Communication Association, Chicago, IL ***Top Papers in Visual Communication Panel***
- * Sims, C. D. L. (2009). *Faceted Identities: Extending Intersectionality*. National Communication Association, Chicago, IL ***Top Student Paper, Feminist and Women's Studies Division Panel***
- Sims, C. D. L. (2008). *Living (Body) Art: Framing the Art and Losing the Body*. National Communication Association Conference, San Diego, CA
- Sims, C. D. L. (2008). *Invisible Wounds, Invisible Abuse: The Exclusion of Emotional Abuse in Newspaper Articles*. Women and Society Conference, Poughkeepsie, NY

SERVICE (selected)

- 2016 – 2017: University of Denver Queer & Ally Network, Center for Multicultural Excellence
- 2015 – 2017: University of Denver, First-Year Advising & Mentoring, First-Year Seminar Program
- 2013 – 2014: James Madison University, General Education Committee Representative
- 2012 – 2013: National Communication Association, RCT Division Nominating Committee (Washington, D.C.)
- 2011 – 2013: Western States Communication Association, Assistant Program Planner for Annual Conference:
2013, Reno, NV and 2012 Albuquerque, NM
- 2010, 2012, 2013: National Communication Association, Reviewer: Critical/Cultural Studies Division, Rhetoric and Communication Theory Division, Feminist and Women's Studies Division
- 2008 – 2010: UCB, Professional Development and Learning Community, Communication Department
- 2008 – 2010: UCB, Conference Co-Organizer; Culture, Language, and Social Practice (CLASP) Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference (held October, 2009 at UCB)

AWARDS not already indicated above

- 2013: James Madison University, Campus Information Technology (CIT) Teaching Technology Grant
- 2012: UCB Department of Communication Dissertation Writing Fellowship
- 2012, 2010, 2008: University of Colorado, Finalist, Graduate Student Teaching Impact Award
- 2011: UCB Department of Communication Dissertation Research Grant