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General Background:

Dr. Davis is a Professor of Law and Faculty Director of Online Legal Education Strategies at Stetson University College of Law. She holds a J.D. from The Ohio State University and a Ph.D. in Human Communication from Arizona State University.

Dr. Davis teaches legal communication and rhetoric courses, legal ethics, the First Amendment, and legal writing with generative AI. Her research interests include legal rhetoric, First Amendment, legal ethics, and legal communication with generative AI.

Areas of scholarly interest consistent with the purpose of the grant program:¹

Generative AI in legal education and legal communication.

A representative list of scholarship:

My CV includes a list of scholarly publications. My scholarly work sits at the intersection of law, rhetoric, ethics, technology, and often, pedagogy.

Ideas for programming Distinguished Speaker might offer a host school, including potential topics and target audiences:

I have presented on generative AI and legal education/legal communication to students, faculty, career development/placement staff, and judges. I am happy to customize presentations based on the needs of the audience.

In no more than 300 words, describe why a host school should consider you as a Distinguished Speaker:

Dr. Davis believes that generative AI is a paradigm-shifting technology for legal writers. The technology is the most significant thing to happen to legal communication since, perhaps, the personal computer. Davis has spent the last year gaining an in-depth understanding of the impact of generative artificial intelligence on legal writing, both in practice and in legal education. She has given talks on generative AI to law faculty, law

¹ The ALWD Distinguished Speaker Series grants (formerly known as the Visiting Scholars grants) are intended to further support, strengthen, and encourage scholarship focusing on the study and practice of professional legal writing.



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students, and law school staff at several law schools including Georgetown University Law Center and Rutgers University College of Law. She has presented on generative AI at several conferences including the Conference for the National Association for the Administrative Judiciary. Her presentations help listeners understand how generative AI works, its risks and benefits, its ethical implications for lawyers, faculty, and law students' and the impact of generative AI on legal writing education.

Dr. Davis founded and is leading a group of nearly 300 law professors who are exploring the impact of Generative AI on legal writing education and practice. She has created a new course, Legal Writing with Generative AI, which is an upper-level legal writing course designed to help students navigate the practicalities and ethical concerns when writing legal documents with generative AI. Her work on generative AI explores pedagogical, ethical, rhetorical, and professional identity considerations.

Davis has received Stetson's Dean's Award for Extraordinary Service, its Award for Teaching Excellence, and its Homer and Dolly Hand Award in Faculty Research. She was recognized for her work in online education with the 2021 Stetson Board of Trustees COVID-19 Innovation Award. The AALS Section on Technology, Law, and Legal Education selected her for their Inaugural Technology Mentorship Award.

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Education

Doctor of Philosophy, 2012

- Arizona State University Hugh Downs School of Human Communication
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Dissertation: *Work and Family Identities in Regulatory Rulemaking: A Rhetorical Analysis of the Family and Medical Leave Act Regulatory Rulemaking Process*

Juris Doctor, 1995

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law
- Order of the Coif, *Summa Cum Laude*, Class Rank: 5/211
- *Ohio State Law Journal*, Associate Editor
- Moot Court Governing Board, Chief Justice

Bachelor of Arts with Honors in the Liberal Arts, 1992

- The Ohio State University, College of the Arts and Sciences
- Major: Communication (Rhetoric); Minor: Economics
- *Summa Cum Laude, with Honors in the Liberal Arts*

Faculty Appointments

Stetson University, Gulfport Campus

- Professor of Law (tenured), 2011-present
- Associate Professor of Law, 2007-2011
- Faculty Director, Honors Program, 2020-2022

University of South Florida, St. Petersburg Campus

- Judy Genshaft Honors College Visiting Professor of Law, 2021-2022

Arizona State University, Tempe Campus

- Associate Clinical Professor of Law (final title), 2000-2007
Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law
- Faculty Associate, Fall 2005
Hugh Downs School of Human Communication

Administrative and Leadership Appointments

Stetson University, Gulfport Campus

- Faculty Director of Online Legal Education Strategies, 2020 to present
- Founding Director, Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication, 2013-22 (Co-Director, 2022-23)
- Interim Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, 2019
- Director, Legal Research and Writing, 2007-16
- Academic Director, Fall in London Study Abroad Program (London, England) 2015
- Director, Prelaw Institute, 2011-12

Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Tempe Campus

- Student Note Advisor, JURIMETRICS: THE JOURNAL OF LAW, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY, 2005-07
- Acting Director, Legal Writing and Academic Support Program, 2004-05

Courses Taught

Law School Subjects

- Legal Rhetoric and Communication
 - Courses include a wide range of introductory and advanced professional communication courses, courses on academic writing, and a seminar on Legal Discourse and Rhetorical Theory. Currently teaching Advanced Legal Writing: Legal Writing with Generative Artificial Intelligence.
- Legal Ethics
 - Professional Responsibility, Comparative Legal Ethics
- Freedom of Expression and Religion
 - First Amendment, Freedom of Expression Seminar, Comparative Freedom of Expression Seminar
- Other
 - Law Honors Colloquium and Symposium, Academic Support

Undergraduate Subjects

- Pre-Law
 - ABA CLEO Writing Course
 - Introduction to Law, Legal Analysis & Legal Writing
- Rhetoric
 - Courtroom Oratory, Rhetoric and Social Issues

- Freedom of Expression
 - Tweet, Text, Take to the Streets: The First Amendment and Dissent

Honor and Awards

Teaching

- Excellence in Teaching Award, 2017

Administration

- Board of Trustees Award for COVID-19 Innovation (in Distance Education), 2021
- Dean's Recognition for Exemplary Leadership, 2019 (for leadership as Interim Assistant Dean of Student Affairs)

Scholarship

- Homer and Dolly Hand Award for Faculty Research, 2022

Service

- Association of American Law Schools Section on Law, Technology, and Legal Education Inaugural Technology Mentorship Award, 2023.
- Florida Bar President's Award, 2022 (for work on the Special Committee for the Review of Professionalism in Florida)
- Dean's Award for Outstanding Service, 2021
- Dean's Award for Extraordinary Service, 2011
- Outstanding Faculty Service Award, 2010-11
- Outstanding Faculty Service Award, 2009-10

Distinguished Speaker

- Association of Legal Writing Directors Distinguished Speaker (2023) (awarded grant to speak on generative AI at Georgetown Law Center)

Research Interests

Law and Rhetoric, Legal Analysis and Communication, Freedom of Expression, Professional Identity & Identity Formation, Legal Writing, Generative Artificial Intelligence and Legal Writing; Legal Ethics and Professionalism

Judicial Clerkship

Law Clerk to the Honorable Frederick P. Stamp, Jr., Chief Judge (retired), United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia, Wheeling, West Virginia, 1995-97

Publications

Books, Guides, and Book Chapters

- THRESHOLD CONCEPTS IN LEGAL WRITING (forthcoming 2024) (Carolina Academic Press) (Kirsten Davis, Kristen Tiscione, & Mel Weresh, eds.)
- CLASSICAL RHETORIC, MODERN LAW (forthcoming 2024) University of Alabama Press (Jay Mootz, Kirsten Davis, Brian Larson & Kristen Tiscione eds.).

- *Introduction to Classical Rhetoric and Contemporary Law*, with Jay Mootz in CLASSICAL RHETORIC, MODERN LAW (forthcoming 2023) University of Alabama Press (Jay Mootz, Kirsten Davis, Brian Larson & Kristen Tiscione, eds.).
- *The Lawyer, Speaking: The Lawyer as “Perfect Orator,”* in CLASSICAL RHETORIC, MODERN LAW (forthcoming 2023) University of Alabama Press (Jay Mootz, Kirsten Davis, Brian Larson & Kristen Tiscione, eds.).
- *MY LEGAL WRITING™: MEMOS*, eBook edition (2016) (available on Amazon Kindle and iBooks).
- *Oral Argument: The Essential Guide* (2d ed. 2018). Co-authored with Brooke Bowman, Lance Long, Jason Palmer, and Stephanie Vaughan (electronic publication).

Articles

- *[Classical] Lawyers as [Digital] Public Speakers: Classical Rhetoric and Lawyer Digital Public Commentary*, 20 NEV. L. J. 1137 (2020).
- *Rhetorical Criticism as Essential Legal Skill: Some Thoughts on Developing Lawyers as “Public Citizens,”* 16 COMMUNICATION L. REV. 43 (2016).
- *“Reports of My Death Are Greatly Exaggerated”: Reading and Writing Objective Memoranda in a Mobile Computing Age*, 92 OREGON L. REV. 271 (2014); selected for re-publication in Legal Writing Institute’s online monograph of “important articles” for new faculty and on legal communication and technology.
- *Ethics: Throwing in the Kitchen Sink: How Far Can You Go in Presenting Damages in Litigation, Mediation & Negotiation?* CLE Materials for ABA Forum on Construction Law—Mid Winter Meeting, 2013 (with Patrick Poff).
- *Legal Forms as Rhetorical Transaction: Competency in the Context of Information and Efficiency*, 79 U.M.K.C. L. REV. 667 (2011).
- *Extending the Vision: An Empowerment Identity Approach to Work-Family Regulation as Applied to School Involvement Leave Statutes*, 16 WILLIAM & MARY J. OF WOMEN & L. 613 (2010).
- *The Rhetoric of Accommodation: Considering the Language of Work/Family Discourse*, 4 UNIV. OF ST. THOMAS L. REV. 530 (2007) (invited symposium); selected for re-publication in Legal Writing Institute’s online monograph of “important articles” on rhetoric and for new teachers.
- *Building Credibility in the Margins: An Ethos-Based Perspective on Commenting on Student Papers*, 12 LEG. WRITING 71 (2006) (peer-reviewed journal); selected for re-publication in Legal Writing Institute’s online monograph of “important articles” on student feedback.
- *Designing and Using Peer Review in a First-Year Legal Research and Writing Course*, 9 LEG. WRITING 1 (2003) (peer-reviewed journal); selected for re-publication in Legal Writing Institute’s online monograph of “important articles” on student feedback.

- *Equal Protection for Women in India and Canada: An Examination of Sex Equality Provisions in the Indian and Canadian Constitutions*, 13 ARIZ. J. INT'L. & COMP. L. 31 (1996).
- *Ohio's New Administrative License Suspension for Drunk Driving: Essential Statute Has Unconstitutional Effect*, 55 OHIO ST. L.J. 697 (1994) (student note).

Mobile Applications

- *My Legal Writing™: Memos* (2012/2013/2015). iPad, iPhone, and Android Platforms (discontinued).
- *My Legal Writing™: The Four Techniques for Clarity and Comprehension* (2016) (discontinued).

Dissertation

- *Work and Family Identities in Regulatory Rulemaking: A Rhetorical Analysis of the Family and Medical Leave Act Regulatory Rulemaking Process* (2012).
[http://search.proquest.com/docview/1010783869?accountid=40968\(1010783869\)](http://search.proquest.com/docview/1010783869?accountid=40968(1010783869)).

Shorter Works and Essays

- *Crossing the Threshold with Apples, Potatoes, and Limes: Using the “Grocer’s Dilemma” to Introduce Law Students to Malleability in the Law*, PROMPT: A JOURNAL OF ACADEMIC WRITING ASSIGNMENTS (forthcoming 2024).
- *A Provisional Definition of Legal Writing Scholarship*, 2(1) U. ORE. PROCEEDINGS: ONLINE J. OF LEG. WRITING CONF. PRESENTATIONS (2021). [Vol 2, Issue 1: A Provisional Definition of "Legal Writing Scholarship" | School of Law \(uoregon.edu\)](http://www.uoregon.edu/law/vol2-issue1).
- *Consider Singular “They” for a More Inclusive Legal Writing Style* (with Rachel B. Oliver), PARACLETE 24 (St. Petersburg Bar Assn. May/June 2020). https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.stpetebar.com/resource/resmgr/docs/paraclete_5&6-2020.pdf.
- *Mentor Effective Legal Writing by Helping Mentees Know Their Audience*, in XIVII(3) THE PROFESSIONAL 3 (Harry Latimer Center for Professionalism, Winter 2020). <https://www-media.floridabar.org/uploads/2020/01/FINAL-Prof-Winter-2020-ADA-Compliant.pdf>.
- *Professionalism, Making Good Choices, and Lawyer Well-Being: The Connections*, in XIVII(2) THE PROFESSIONAL 1 (Harry Latimer Center for Professionalism, Summer 2019). <https://www-media.floridabar.org/uploads/2019/08/Prof-Summer-2019-ADA-Compliant.pdf>.
- *Introduction to Professionalism in Florida: An Overview*, appearing in the 2019-21 & 2022-24 PROFESSIONALISM HANDBOOKS, published by The Florida

Bar Standing Committee on Professionalism and The Florida Henry Latimer Center for Professionalism. <https://www-media.floridabar.org/uploads/2022/10/2022-2024-Ideal-Goals-Handbook-9-16-22-ADA.pdf>.

- *Reading Legal Writing Together: Reading Groups Can Build the Disciplinary Community of Legal Writing Scholars*, 23 LEG. WRITING 31 (2019) (Article Made SSRN's Top Ten download list for the Legal Writing ejournal and in the Legal Practice topic area).
<HTTP://WWW.LEGALWRITINGJOURNAL.ORG/2019/02/13/READING-LEGAL-WRITING-TOGETHER-READING-GROUPS-CAN-BUILD-THE-DISCIPLINARY-COMMUNITY-OF-LEGAL-WRITING-SCHOLARS/>.
- *Avoiding “Acrimony:” Get Rid of Blaming Language and Get Results*, in XIV(2) THE PROFESSIONAL 8 (Harry Latimer Center for Professionalism, Fall 2017), <https://www.floridabar.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/FINAL-ADA-Professionalism-Newsletter-Fall-2017.pdf>.
- *Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods and Rhetorical Theory in the “Third Generation,”* SSRN Paper (July 2016).
http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2821951.
- *Recent Judicial Criticism Cases: Audience, Style, and Tone Matter*, AALS PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY SECTION NEWSLETTER (Spring 2016).
- *First Year Legal Writing Course: Praxis is Pivotal*, 28 SECOND DRAFT (peer-reviewed newsletter of the Legal Writing Institute) 5 (Spring 2015).
- *Law and Rhetoric Bibliography: Selected Readings and Resources*, SSRN Paper 2015-4 (with Kris Tiscione & Julie Oseid) (2015).
- *Inspecting, Not Just Expecting: Florida Supreme Court Adopts Code for Resolving Professionalism Complaints*, AALS PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY SECTION NEWSLETTER (Fall 2013).
- *More Than Just Another Face in the Crowd: Three Tips for Networking at the AALS Conference*, AALS SECTION ON LEGAL ANALYSIS, RESEARCH, AND WRITING (Fall 2012).
- *Assessing Aspiration: Florida Bar Exam to Test Professionalism Guidelines*, AALS PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY SECTION NEWSLETTER (Spring 2011).
- *The Jr. Faculty Forum: A Venue for Emerging Scholarship*, AALS NEW LAW PROFESSORS SECTION NEWSLETTER 7 (Nov. 2007).
- *Commenting and Conversation*, 22 SECOND DRAFT (peer-reviewed newsletter of the Legal Writing Institute) 14 (Fall 2007).
- *Transitions: The Final in a Series*, ARIZONA ATTORNEY 30 (November 2005).
- *Organization Through Persuasion: The Second in a Series; Thesis Sentences*, ARIZONA ATTORNEY 50 (September 2005).
- *Take the Lime and the Apple and Mix'em all Up*, 20 SECOND DRAFT (peer-reviewed newsletter of the Legal Writing Institute) 13 (August 2005).

- *Roadmap Paragraphs: Plotting Success from the Opening Line*, ARIZONA ATTORNEY 26 (November 2004).
- *Don't Overlook the Legal Style Manual*, ARIZONA ATTORNEY 12 (September 2004).
- *The ALWD Citation Manual: A Practice-Driven Improvement*, ARIZONA ATTORNEY 24 (June 2004) (with Tamara Herrera).
- *Three Key Plays for The Writing Coach*, ARIZONA ATTORNEY 12 (March 2004).

Long-Form Blog Posts and Online Articles

- *Courts are Regulating Generative AI for Court Filings. What Does This Mean for Legal Writers?* (July 6, 2023). [Appellate Advocacy Blog \(typepad.com\)](https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2023/07/courts-are-regulating-generative-ai-for-court-filings-what-does-this-mean-for-legal-writers/)
- *Prompt Engineering for ChatGPT Can Improve Your Legal Writing—Even if You Never Use ChatGPT*, Appellate Advocacy Blog (April 6, 2023). https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2023/04/prompt-engineering-for-chatgpt-can-improve-your-legal-writing-even-if-you-never-use-chatgpt.html.
- *The Rhetoric of ChatGPT: What ChatGPT Had to Say About Its Connection to Rhetoric and What We Can Learn from That Response*, Appellate Advocacy Blog (March 2, 2023). https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2023/03/the-rhetoric-of-chatgpt-what-chatgpt-had-to-say-about-its-connection-to-rhetoric-and-what-we-can-learn.html.
- *Putting the Audience First: The Writing Tactic of Restatement*, Appellate Advocacy Blog (August 4, 2022). https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2022/08/putting-the-audience-first-the-writing-tactic-of-restatement.html. Reprinted upon request in the Newsletter of the South Dakota Paralegal Association.
- *Putting the Audience First: A Perspective on Legal Writing*, Appellate Advocacy Blog (May 1, 2022). https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2022/05/putting-the-audience-first-a-perspective-on-legal-writing.html. Reprinted upon request in the Newsletter of the South Dakota Paralegal Association.
- *The “It-Cleft” Sentence: Grammar Choice, Persuasive Effect*, Appellate Advocacy Blog (April 7, 2022). https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2022/04/the-it-cleft-sentence-grammar-choice-persuasive-effect.html.
- *[Sic] It, Fix It, or Ignore It? The Rhetorical Implications of Spotlighting Another Writer’s Error*, Appellate Advocacy Blog (Feb. 3, 2022). https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2022/02/sic-it-fix-it-or-ignore-it-the-rhetorical-implications-of-spotlighting-another-writers-error.html. Noted in “Worth the Read” on CAAFlog, the official blog of the National Institute of Military Justice, <http://www.caaflog.org/home/week-in-review7007142>.

- *Communicating with Clients, Cultural Competency, and Rhetorical Listening*, Appellate Advocacy Blog, (Oct. 7, 2021).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2021/10/communicating-with-clients-cultural-competency-and-rhetorical-listening.html.
- *The Objectives and Means of Brief Writing: Who Makes the Rhetorical Choices? Does it Matter?* Appellate Advocacy Blog, (Sept. 9, 2021).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2021/09/thursdays-rhaw-bar-the-objectives-and-means-of-brief-writing-who-makes-the-rhetorical-choices-does-i.html.
- *What is Rhetoric, Anyway? And Why Should the Appellate Lawyer Care?* Appellate Advocacy Blog, (August 5, 2021).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2021/08/what-is-rhetoric-anyway-and-why-should-the-appellate-lawyer-care.html.
- *"Digital Public Commentary": A New Rhetoric for Lawyers?* Appellate Advocacy Blog, (Nov. 14, 2019).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2019/11/digital-public-commentary-a-new-rhetoric-for-lawyers.html.
- *"Good People, Speaking Well": Virtue, Eloquence, and the Esteem of Lawyers*, Appellate Advocacy Blog, (September 19, 2019).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2019/09/good-people-speaking-well-virtue-eloquence-and-the-esteem-of-lawyers.html
- *He, She, or They: Thinking Rhetorically About Gender and Personal Pronouns*, Appellate Advocacy Blog, (Sept. 5, 2019).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2019/09/he-she-or-they-thinking-rhetorically-about-gender-and-personal-pronouns.html.
- *An Ethos for Giving Feedback to New Legal Writers: Expert Coach, not Rival Writer*, Appellate Advocacy Blog, (August 22, 2019).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2019/08/thursdays-rhaw-bar-a-little-bite-of-all-things-rhetoric-and-lawexploring-ideas-theories-strategies-techniques-and.html.
- *Setting Off Text for Attention and Meaning—The Visually Rhetorical Em-Dash*, Appellate Advocacy Blog, (August 8, 2019).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2019/08/setting-off-text-for-attention-and-meaningthe-visually-rhetorical-em-dash.html.
Selected by *Litigation World* as its Pick of the Week article.
- *Rhetorical Ontology, Or Let's Spend Some More Time Exploring the List*, Appellate Advocacy Blog, (July 25, 2019).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2019/07/rhetorical-ontology-or-lets-spend-some-more-time-exploring-the-list.html.
- *Lists as Visual Rhetorical Strategy for Brief Writing: Set-Off and Stack-Up*, Appellate Advocacy Blog, Appellate Advocacy Blog, (July 11, 2019).
https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/2019/07/lists-as-visual-rhetorical-strategy-for-brief-writing.html.

- *Why Does Comey Get an “A” in Legal Writing for His Written Testimony?* Lady (Legal) Writer Blog, (June 10, 2017). <http://ladylegalwriter.blogspot.com/2017/06/why-does-comey-get-a-in-legal-writing.html>.
- *A Short First Amendment History of the Citizen-Critic*, Citizen-Critics Website (January 26, 2017). <https://citizencritics.org/2017/01/hello-i-am-citizen-critic-pleased-to-meet-you/>.
- *Two Minutes for Professional Status in Legal Writing*, Legal Writing Prof Blog, (July 22, 2016). <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/legalwriting/2016/07/lwi-conference-guest-post-two-minutes-for-professional-status-in-legal-writing.html>.
- *Building the Legal Writing Discipline: Good Reasons to Attend the Rhetoric Society of America Conference*, Legal Writing Prof Blog (June 1, 2016). <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/legalwriting/2016/06/building-the-legal-writing-discipline-reasons-to-attend-the-rhetoric-society-of-america-conference.html>.
- *Acquiring the Citation Language: Should We Burn It All?* Legal Skills Prof Blog (April 11, 2016). http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/legal_skills/2016/04/guest-blogger-acquiring-the-citation-language-should-we-burn-it-all-by-professor-kirsten-k-davis.html.

Other Publications

- *Analysis of Ursula LeGuin’s “Left-Handed Commencement Address” as a Form of Women’s Communication* and *“Analysis of Children’s Parties”* in Karen A. Foss and Sonja K. Foss, *Instructor’s Manual to accompany WOMEN SPEAK: THE ELOQUENCE OF WOMEN’S LIVES* (Waveland Press: 1993).

Selected Academic Conference Presentations

- *What’s Legal Writing Scholarship Got to Do With It?* Discussion Group, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, UC Irvine, Irvine, CA (July 2023).
- *Happy 6-Month Birthday ChatGPT! Reflecting on Generative AI in the Legal Writing Classroom*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, UC Irvine, Irvine, CA (July 2023).
- *The Unending Conversation Live: Debating the Hard Issues of Teaching and Studying Legal Communication*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, UC Irvine, Irvine, CA (July 2023).
- *“Should We Say What Legal Writing Scholarship Is?”* in *Ready for a Heated Discussion? Debating the Hard Issues of Teaching and Studying Legal Communication*, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Georgetown University Law School, Washington, D.C. (July 2022).
- *Designing an Audience-Centered Advanced Legal Writing Course*, Webinar, Innovation in Advanced Traditional Legal Writing Courses, Arizona State University, October 2022 (invited).

- *Using Rhetorical Methods to Study the Law and Legal Communication*, AALS Annual Meeting (chosen from competitive selection process), January 2022.
- *Steering the Future of the Discipline: Articulating the Threshold Concepts of Legal Writing* (with Linda Berger, David I.C. Thomson, Kristen Tiscione, & Melissa Weresh), Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Online, July 2021.
- *Discipline Building: Interrogating and Disrupting the Legal Writing Canon*, SEALS Conference Writing Connections Series, Online, August 2021, discussant.
- *What Are You Teaching, Anyway? A Philosophy and Rhetoric of Legal Writing*, LWI One-Day Workshop for New Legal Writing Professors hosted by Penn State University, December 2020.
- *Why Legal Writing Professors Should Teach the Singular “They” Pronoun & How to Do So* (panelist), LWI One-Day Workshop hosted by North Dakota University, December 2020.
- *Online Peer Review Enhances Reviewer Experience and Learning*, William and Mary Online Conference Dedicated to Excellence in Teaching Legal Research & Writing, June 2020.
- *[Classical] Lawyers as [Digital] Public Speakers: Classical Rhetoric and Lawyer Digital Public Commentary*, Classical Rhetoric as a Lens for Contemporary Legal Praxis Symposium, Las Vegas, NV, September 2019 (invited).
- *Quintilian Was a Lawyer: Using Classical Rhetorical Texts to Teach Modern Lawyers Professionalism*, Western States Legal Writing Conference, Irvine, CA, September 2018.
- *Celebrating Classical Rhetoric, Building Contemporary Law*, Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Minneapolis, MN, May 2018, panelist on incorporating classical rhetoric into legal writing classrooms.
- *Using Professional Responsibility Rules to Create Classroom Professionalism Expectations*, Holloran Center for Ethical Leadership in the Professions Conference, Chaska, MN, July 2017.
- *Unity and Division in a Single Body: The Problem of the Lawyer Speaking in Public*, Rhetoric of Society Conference of the Rhetoric Society of Europe, Norwich, UK, July 2017.
- *Rhetorical Criticism as Essential Lawyering Skill: Developing Lawyers as “Special Public Citizens,”* 2016 Biennial Rhetoric Society of America Conference, May 2016.
- *The Lawyer, Speaking (in Public): Rhetorical Constructions of Lawyer Identity in First Amendment Cases*, Democracy in America: Participation and Social Justice Conference, Deland, FL, March 2014; Association for the Study

- of Law, Culture, the Humanities Conference, Charlottesville, VA, March 2014; and Southern States Communication Conference, Tampa, FL, March 2015.
- *Everything Old Is New Again, Maybe: How Should Programs Teach the Interoffice Predictive Memo?* Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, Milwaukee, WI, June 2013 (with Charles Calleros & Kristen Tiscione).
 - *Subject-Focused Legal Writing Classes: What, Why, and How We Did It*, Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, Arizona State University, March 2012, and Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference, John Marshall Law School, Savannah, April 2013 (with Lance Long and Jason Palmer).
 - *Effective Feedback Mechanisms*, Principles of Academic Support Pedagogy Program, AALS Section on Academic Support Workshop, Washington D.C., January 2012 (invited).
 - *“I know you like me, but I can’t ask you to say that”: The Tension Between Communicating Lawyer Reputational Information in Online Advertising and “The Good Life” for Consumers of Legal Services*, Organization for the Study of Communication, Language, and Gender Conference, St. Petersburg, FL, October 2010.
 - *Redefining Superwoman*, Panel Presentation, Motherhood Conference sponsored by University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO, March 2010 (invited).
 - *Kenneth Burke, Law, and Rhetorical Theory*, Law and Rhetoric Panel, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, Palm Beach, FL, August 2009 (also planned and organized panel).
 - *Using Presidential Campaign Ads in the Legal Writing Classroom*, Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, Phoenix, AZ, March 2009.
 - *Law, Rhetoric, and Building a Discipline of Legal Writing*, Law and Rhetoric Seminar, sponsored by Mercer University College of Law, San Diego, CA, January 2009 (invited).
 - *Small Necessities Law: Considering Identity as an Approach to Employee Leave for Routine Parenting Obligations*, Mercer University Law School Faculty Exchange, Macon, GA, and Florida Jr. Scholars Forum, Gulfport, FL, November 2008.
 - *Law, Rhetoric, and Work-Family Balance: The Rhetoric of Accommodation*, Workplace Restructuring to Accommodate Family Life Symposium, University of St. Thomas School of Law, Minneapolis, MN, March 2007 (invited).
 - *Reconceptualizing Legal Writing as “Legal Literacy”: Is It Time to Rethink What We Do and Why We Do It?* Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, Tucson, AZ, March 2006.
 - *Ethos in the Margins*, faculty presentation, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, March 2005.

- *Law's "Third Space": Rhetorically Creating and Maintaining "Motherhood" Identities in Florida's "Scarlet Letter" Adoption Law*, competitive paper panel, Communication and Law Interest Group, Western States Communication Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, February 2005.
- *Kairos and Conflict: A Third Space in Conflict Process Analysis from a Rhetorical Perspective*, competitive paper panel, Rhetoric and Public Address Division, Western States Communication Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, February 2005.
- *Organizational Positions of Power, or the Power of Communication? Account Giving, Impression Management, and Organizational Relationship Types* (with Heather Canary and Kurt Lindemann, presented by H. Canary), competitive paper panel, Organizational Communication Interest Group, Western States Communication Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, February 2005.
- *Kairos in the Discourse of Grutter v. Bollinger: Right Timing, Due Measure, and "Diversity" as Democratic Kairos*, competitive paper panel, Western States Communication Association Conference, Albuquerque, NM, February 2004.
- *The Perfect Textbook for Communication and Law*, panel, National Communication Association Conference, Miami, FL, November 2003.

Selected Invited Speaking Engagements

External

- *A Law Professor's Introduction to Generative AI and Implications for Law Faculty*, Temple University School of Law, November 2023.
- *A Law Professor's Introduction to Generative AI and Implications for Law Faculty*, Rutgers University College of Law, November 2023.
- *Technology + Authenticity: Generative AI and Your Job Search*, Southwestern Law School Professional Development Program for Students, November 2023.
- *Introduction to Generative AI and Implications for Administrative Law Judges*, National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary Conference, Tampa, FL, October 2023.
- *Introduction to Generative AI and Implications for Law Faculty*, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC, October 2023.
- *Plenary Panel on Artificial Intelligence*, Central States Legal Writing Conference, Drake University, Des Moines, IA, September 2023.
- *Generative AI for New Legal Writing Faculty*, Legal Writing Institute New Faculty Bootcamp, August 2023.
- *Generative AI and Legal Writing: What You Need to Know for Your LAWS Course*, Southwestern Law School Student Orientation, Los Angeles, CA, June & August 2023.

- *Game Changer? ChatGPT and Law School Teaching, Feedback, and Assessment*, Southwestern Law School Faculty Professional Development Session, Los Angeles, CA, April. 2023.
- *Putting Your Audience First: An Approach to Legal Writing for Administrative Law Judges*, Federal Administrative Law Judges Conference, Tampa, FL, September 2022.
- *Putting Your Audience First: An Approach to Legal Writing for Pro Se & Death Penalty Staff Attorneys*, Federal Judicial Center, National Conference for Pro Se and Death Penalty Staff Attorneys, San Diego, CA, September 2022.
- *Modern Legal Writing*, South Dakota State Bar Convention, Rapid City, South Dakota, June 2022 (four-hour CLE).
- *Audience-First Legal Writing*, Pro Se Staff Attorneys Conference, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa, Florida, April 2022.
- *Good Legal Writing Makes the Reader Feel Smart: Three Things You Can Do Right Now to Win Over Your Reader*, South Dakota Government Attorneys Meeting, Pierre, South Dakota, July 2021.
- *Legal Ethics*, University of Central Florida Legal Studies Program, Online, April 2021.
- *Editing for Maximum Persuasive Impact: Four Techniques*, St. Petersburg Bar Association CLE, St. Petersburg, FL, May 2019.
- *Communicating You, Influencing Others: An Introduction to Impression Management for Lawyers*, Hillsborough County Bar Association, Professionalism and Ethics Committee Luncheon, CLE Presentation, Tampa, FL, April 2018.
- *What Do You Think of Me? An Introduction to Impression Management for Women Lawyers*, Stetson Florida Association of Women Lawyers Chapter, Networking Event, CLE Presentation, March 2018.
- *What's Going on in Legal Ethics, and What Does It Mean to Me?* Southern Society of Adventist Attorneys 40th Annual Retreat, CLE Presentation, St. Petersburg, FL, September 2017.
- *Communicating Professionalism: An Introduction to Impression Management for Lawyers*, Putting the Pro in Professionalism Conference, Florida Bar Standing Committee on Professionalism and The Harry Latimer Center for Professionalism CLE, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, July 2017.
- *Business Writing for Busy Writers*, Superior Uniform Group, St Petersburg, FL, May 2017, June 2018.
- *Effective Letter Writing*, National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys Summit, Newport Beach, CA, January 2016.
- *Effective Narrative Report Writing*, Florida Department of Children and Families, April 2015, February 2016, August 2016.

- *Write Right*, Panelist, American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division Conference, April 2015.
- *Effective Affidavit Writing*, Florida Department of Children and Families, May 2015.
- *Better Business Writing*, CitiGroup, Tampa, FL, February 2015.
- *Readability and Comprehensibility Strategies for Legal Writing*, Florida Trial Court Staff Attorneys Association Conference, Sarasota, FL, October 2013.
- *Ethics: Throwing in the Kitchen Sink: How Far Can You Go in Presenting Damages in Litigation, Mediation & Negotiation*, ABA Forum on Construction Law—Mid Winter Meeting, Jan./Feb. 2013 (with Patrick Poff).
- *Better Narrative Report Writing: Improving Accuracy and Clarity*, Center for Excellence in Elder Law, presentation to service coordinators, January 2010.
- *Professional Responsibility and Avvo.com*, Barney Masterson Inns of Court, February 2009 (CLE Presentation).
- *The Grocer's Dilemma*, presentation, Arizona State University College of Law High School Law Day, 2004, 2005.
- *Persuasive Writing Through Organization and Style*, presentation, Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council Legal Assistants' Seminar, November 2004.
- *The Writer's Toolbox for Judicial Writing*, CLE presentation, Arizona Judicial Conference, June 2003, June 2005.
- *POWER Editing: Editing any Document for Clarity in an Hour or Less*, CLE presentation, Arizona Attorney General's Office, June 2003 and June 2004.
- *Ten Tips for Making Good Persuasive Writing Even Better*, CLE presentation, Arizona Attorney General's Office, January 2002.

Internal

- *Technology + Authenticity: Generative AI and Job Applications*, Stetson University College of Law Professional and Career Development Staff, November 2023.
- *Generative AI and Legal Writing: What You Need to Know Now*, Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication Contours of the Discipline National Webinar Series, August 2023.
- *Professionalism in Practice*, Stetson Orientation, Fall 2020, Summer 2023 (developed video, teaching script, and all materials).
- *Secrets of Being a Great Team Member and Team Leader*, Stetson Professional Development Conference, January 2019.
- *It's More Than a Place to Put Appointments: Using Your Calendar for Time Management*, Stetson Professional Development Conference, January 2018.

- *Active Listening for Emotion and Information*, Dispute Resolution Board, Fall 2017.
- *Did I Offend You? Why Should I Care? Influencing Others in a Virtual World*, Intentions and Impact Summit, Student Conference, January 2017.
- *Can We Reveal What We Know? A Lesson in Lawyer Confidentiality*, Professionalism Luncheon Speaker, Stetson Orientation, 2014.
- *The Duty of Confidentiality: An Exploration of What it Means to Be a Lawyer*, Stetson Pre-Law Institute, May 2014.
- *Being a Member of an Intellectual Community*, Stetson Orientation, August 2009.
- *The Legal Community in Action: Serving the Profession—Lawyer as Communicator*, designer, and moderator of session for third-year students, Lawyering in Action Day, 2009, 2010 & 2011.

National, State, and Regional Leadership

Association of American Law Schools

- Chair Positions
 - Chair, AALS Program Committee (responsible for Open Source, Hot Topics, Discussion Groups, and Symposia programming for 2021 Annual Meeting), 2020-21
 - Chair, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education, 2014-15
 - Chair-Elect, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education, 2013-14
 - Speed Mentoring Program Chair, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education, 2013-14
 - Program Co-Chair, AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research, 2012-13
- Other Leadership Positions
 - Program Committee, Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research, 2022-23
 - Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research, 2015
 - Planning Committee, AALS New Law Teachers' Conference (Legal Writing Teachers' Special Programming), 2014-15
 - Secretary, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education, 2012-13
 - Executive Committee, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education, 2011-12
 - Advisory Board and Panel Planning Committee, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education, 2010-11

Legal Writing Institute

- Board of Directors (elected position), 2018-22.
- Other Leadership
 - Co-Chair, Global Legal Writing Skills Committee, 2016
 - Co-Chair, Scholarship Development and Outreach Committee, 2012-14
 - Biennial Conference Program Committee, 2012-14 (implemented first scholarship panels at conference)
- Committee Service
 - Artificial Intelligence Committee, 2023-present
 - Discipline Building Working Group, 2022-present
 - LWI/ALWD Scholarship Grant Joint Task Force, 2010
 - Teacher Exchange and Visitor Committee, Legal Writing Institute, 2006-08
 - Plagiarism Committee, 2003-04
 - Honors and Awards Committee, 2008-10

Association of Legal Writing Directors

- Board of Directors, 2008-14 (elected position)
- Other Leadership Positions
 - Executive Committee (elected position) of the Board of Directors, 2010-2011
 - Scholarship Committee Co-Chair, 2008-10 (created and implemented Scholars' Forum program and policies)
- Committee Service
 - LWI/ALWD Scholarship Grant Committee, 2014-15, 2015-16

Florida Bar Association

- Florida Bar Special Committee on Professionalism (appointed), 2021-22
 - Chair, Standards Subcommittee
- Florida Bar Association Standing Committee on Professionalism (appointed), 2014-2020
 - Chair, 2019-20
 - Vice Chair, 2018-19

Editorial Boards

- Editorial Board, University of Alabama Press Rhetoric, Law, and the Humanities Book Series, 2014-present
- Advisory Board, SSRN Law, and Rhetoric E-Journal, 2008 to present

- Editorial Board for *Legal Writing: Journal of the Legal Writing Institute*, 2004-2011

Selected University Service

Law School Committees Chaired

- Part-Time Programs Committee, 2023-24.
- Professional Development Conference Committee, 2017-20120; Faculty Co-Chair, 2018-19, 2019-20 (This program won the ABA's Smythe Gambrell Professionalism Award in 2019.)
- Appointments Committee Co-Chair, 2018-19
- Academic Review Committee, Chair, 2017-18
- MPRE Task Force, Chair, 2014-15

Other Significant Law School Committee Service (all at Stetson unless otherwise noted)

- Diversity and Inclusion Committee, 2019-22
- Strategic Planning Committee, 2020-21
- Dean's Advisory Committee, 2017-19
- Academic Standards Committee, 2016-18, 2019-22, 2023-24.
- Bar Study Task Force, 2019 & 2022
- Outcomes and Assessment Committee, 2016-18, 2019-20
- ABA Self-Study Report Drafting Committee, 2015
- Strategic Plan Drafting Committee, 2013-14
- Faculty Workgroup on External Issues, Strategic Planning Committee, Chair, 2013-2014
- Admissions Committee, 2012-13
- Workload Policy Workgroup, 2010-11
- Jacob Fellow/Visiting Assistant Professor Program Planning Committee, Fall 2009
- Programmatic Tenure Transition Committee, 2008-09
- New Goals and Metrics Committee, 2008-09
- Committee on Learning and Teaching Excellence, Arizona State University, 2004-07
- Curriculum Committee, Arizona State University, 2002-03; 2004-05

University Committees

- ACE Women's Network, Law School Liaison, 2018-19
- Institutional Review Board, 2016-18

- University Faculty Bylaws Drafting Committee, 2013-14
- University Prelaw Committee, 2011-14
- Faculty Liaison to Board of Overseers & University Board of Trustees, 2010-12

Academic Activity and Conference Planning

- Creator and Co-Organizer, Legal Writing and General Artificial Intelligence Convo Group, 2023 to present (over 130 members regularly engage in discussions about Generative AI and Legal Writing practice, teaching, assessment, and policies)
- Co-Creator and Organizer, Research Methods in Legal Communication, Online Course (with Brian Larson), 2019-present
- Organizer, Local Professionalism Panels Summit, Florida Bar Standing Committee on Professionalism, June 2020
- Creator and Co-Chair, Reimagining Advocacy Conference, October 2019
- Founder and Member, SEALS Legal Writing Conference “Writing Connections” Programming Committee, 2017-18
- Chair, Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference, Gulfport, FL, April 2017
- Organizer, Law, Rhetoric, and Legal Writing Seminar and Workshop, Gulfport, FL, April 2017
- Founder, Organizer, and Moderator, Stetson Virtual Legal Writing Conference Webinars, 2009-13
- Conference Chair/Co-Chair, Southeastern Regional Legal Writing Conference, Gulfport, FL, September 2009 & April 2014
- Conference Co-Chair, 5th Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, March 2005

Grants

- Brown Center for Faculty Innovation and Excellence, Scholarly Inquiry Circle Grant, Spring 2019

Consultancies

- Rhetoric and Language Consultant for Florida Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Taskforce on Eldercaring Coordination, 2013-14 and ongoing
- Professionalism Educational Consulting, Florida Bar Association Latimer Center for Professionalism, Engle Project, 2022- present
- Legal Writing Training and Consulting (including Generative AI), various organizations, ongoing

Association Memberships

- American Bar Association

- American Association of Law Schools
- Association of Legal Writing Directors
- Legal Writing Institute

Private Practice Experience

- Associate Attorney; Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue; Columbus, Ohio
- Associate Attorney; Steptoe and Johnson; Wheeling, West Virginia

Bar Admissions

- Ohio, West Virginia, Arizona (all currently inactive)
- Florida, Affiliate Member
- United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia