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EDUCATION:

Ph.D.	The University of Southern Mississippi	2012-2015
M.A.	The University of Southern Mississippi	2009-2011
B.A.	Mississippi College	2005-2009

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Professor of English	East Texas Baptist University	2025-
Associate Professor of English	East Texas Baptist University	2020-2025
Assistant Professor of English	East Texas Baptist University	2016-2020
Instructor of English	The Univ. of Southern Miss.	2015-2016
Graduate Instructor	The Univ. of Southern Miss.	2012-2015

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

Bookseller	Lemuria Books	2012
Hands On	International Mission Board	2011
Bookseller	Lemuria Books	2008-2009

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCES:

Online Workshop with Poet Shuly Cawood	2023
Coordinated Lyceum (w/ Dr. Hoover) – Poet Tania Runyan	2023
Attended Poetry Reading – Phil Metres, LeTourneau University	2022
Read Poetry at Vigil, Michelson Museum of Art	2022
Baylor Symposium Waco, TX	2019
Windhover Writer's Festival Belton, TX	2018
AWP Conference Boston, MA	2013
AWP Conference Washington, D.C.	2011

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

"Sweep Her"	<i>Trampoline Poetry</i>	2025
"Safety in Dismay"	<i>Trampoline Poetry</i>	2025
"Brotherhood in a Dead King"	<i>Cottonwood</i>	2025
"The Shade of Them"	<i>Talking River Review</i>	2025
"Mother is the Name for God"	<i>Talking River Review</i>	2025
"Eden Held"	<i>San Pedro River Review</i>	2024
"Business Card as Acrostic"	<i>Puerto Del Sol</i>	2024

"Copiah"	<i>Ekstasis</i>	2024
"An End Near"	<i>Product Magazine</i>	2024
"Winter Leaving"	<i>jmww</i>	2024
"Nighthawk in Hand"	<i>Reformed Journal</i>	2023
"Kneeling Bedside"	<i>Heart of Flesh Lit. Journal</i>	2022
"Abandoned Church..."	<i>Heart of Flesh Lit. Journal</i>	2022
"Praise as Acrostic"	<i>Vita Poetica</i>	2022
"Durations"	<i>Riveted Literary Review</i>	2021
Two Poems	<i>Willows Wept Review</i>	2021
"Cardiomegaly"	<i>Red Rock Review</i>	2020
"With Our Time"	<i>The Penwood Review</i>	2019
"Drawing Their Days"	<i>Time of Singing</i>	2019
Review of <i>Southern Nights</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2019
Review of <i>American Pop</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2019
Review of <i>Conversations...</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2019
"Out of the Way"	<i>Furtive Dalliance</i>	2018
Review of <i>Catfish Dream</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2018
Review of <i>Anatomy...</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2018
"Muscle to Bone"	<i>Freshwater Literary Review</i>	2018
"Thor's Hammer in Hyper-Blue"	<i>Quarter After Eight</i>	2017
Review of <i>Hard Toward Home</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2017
Review of <i>Maisie at 8000 Feet</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2016
Review of <i>Scavengers</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2016
Review of <i>Only Love Can...</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2016
Review of <i>Crosscurrents</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2015
Review of <i>I Was a Revolutionary</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2015
Review of <i>Death Don't Have...</i>	<i>The Clarion-Ledger</i>	2015
"Things You Can't See"	<i>New World Writing</i>	2015
"Only God's"	Southern Writers, Southern Writing	2015
Reading "Doubt Weighed In"	T-Bone's Records	2014
"Doubt Weighed In"	<i>Product</i>	2014
"A Light on a Stand"	<i>Grasslimb</i>	2014
"First Aid"	<i>Fried Chicken and Coffee</i>	2012
"Come Together"	Faculty Grad. Research Colloquium	2010
"The Decline of the Big Woods"	Tougaloo College Research Symp.	2008

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Serve Regularly in the Nursery – First Baptist Church Marshall
 Serving on Dr. Jennifer Gillaspie's TLG Committee for 2024-2025 Academic Year
 Thrive group leader for Fall 2024 Semester
 Attended Lyceum – Dr. Karen O'Dell Bullock, September 30, 2024, 6:00 PM
 Attended ASC Baseball Game, ETBU vs. Concordia, May 3, 2024, 2:00 PM
 Attended Student Film Festival, Marshall Cinema, May 2, 2024
 Judged poetry for Era Miller Contest, Spring 2024
 Attended *Jane Eyre: The Musical*, April 18, 2024

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Participated in School of Christian Studies and Humanities Honor Society Reception, April 16, 2024
 Participated in Preview Day, Jan. 22, 2024
 Attended *Cagebirds*, Oct. 29, 2023
 Attended Homecoming Activities, Homecoming Week, Oct. 28, 2023
 Attended Chili Cookoff, Homecoming Week, Oct. 24, 2023
 Attended Hispanic Heritage Month Event, David Ortega, 10:00 AM, Oct. 13, 2023
 Attended *The Complete History of America (Abridged)*, Oct. 1, 2023
 Served on Professor David Collins's TLG Committee, Fall 2021
 Served on Dr. Terri Howe's TLG Committee, Fall 2021
 Served on Dr. Troy Ladine's TLG Committee, Fall 2021
 Served on General Education Committee 2019-present
 Thrive Mentor for Jimmy Stavinoha
 Teach Youth Sunday School at First Baptist Church Marshall
 Voiced "Your Marshall" Video for City of Marshall
 Sponsor Alpha Chi Honor Society
 Attend Weekly Chapel
 Attend Weekly English Faculty Writing and Teaching Meeting
 Attend Bi-Weekly Poetry Writers Meeting in Longview
 Maintain Weekly Student Bible Study in Home for First Baptist Church Marshall
 Served on General Education Committee Fall 2018-Present
 Led Scripture Reading and Opening Prayer in Chapel, Mar. 20, 2019
 Served on Jeremy Greer's TLG Committee, Spring 2019
 Served on Jenny Hoover's TLG Committee, Spring 2019
 Served on David Splawn's TLG Committee, Spring 2019
 Led *Cultivate* Book Study, Spring 2019
 Served on Promotions Committee from Fall 2017-Spring 2019
 Attended Play "Marjorie Prime," Apr. 14, 2019
 Attended Many Baseball/Softball Games, Spring 2019
 Served on Theatre Department Hiring Committee, Spring 2018
 Served on Jeanna White's TLG Committee, Fall 2018
 Attended Many Basketball Games during Academic Year 2017-2018
 Attended Speech by Holocaust Survivor Jack Repp, Nov. 7, 2017
 Attended Play "The Christians," Oct. 1, 2017
 Served on Traci Ledford's TLG Committee, Fall 2017
 Attended New Faculty Mixer, Sept. 12, 2016
 Attended Faculty and Family Connection, Sept. 17, 2016
 Attended Women's Rugby Game, Oct. 1, 2016
 Volunteered at Dayspring Equestrian Therapeutic Center, Oct. 15, 2016
 Attended Honors College Coffee Hour, Oct. 20, 2016
 Attended Scholars Forum, Nov. 10, 2016
 Attended Tiger Day, Nov. 12, 2016
 Attended Sigma Tau Delta Meeting, Nov. 15, 2016
 Provided Devotional at Trustee's Meeting, Feb. 3, 2017