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EDUCATION

2001 Masters of Fine Arts, Arizona State University (ASU) - Tempe, AZ

Emphasis Painting/Drawing

1994 Bachelor of Science, Arizona State University - Tempe, AZ

Architecture

1993 Harvard Graduate School of Design, Harvard University - Cambridge, MA

Awarded Fellowship to Architecture Summer Program

ADMINISTRATIVE/TEACHING POSITIONS

ASU Herberger Institute of Design and Arts

2024-current	Assistant Dean for Career Track Faculty,	HIDA
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Program Director for Art Studies, School of Art (SOA)

2023-current Associate Director of Initiatives and Undergraduate Affairs, SOA

2019-current Associate Teaching Professor, SOA

2021-2023 Associate Director of Curriculum and Student Success

2018-2021 Assistant Director of Student Community and Engagement, (SOA)

2019-2023 Associate Teaching Professor, formerly Senior Lecturer, SOA

2016-2019 Assistant Teaching Professor, formerly Lecturer, SOA

2013-2016 Faculty Instructor, SOA

2008-2011 China Summer Study Abroad Co-director, SOA

2001-2013 Faculty Associate, SOA

2001-2012 Academic Associate, Design School 1999-2001 Teaching Assistant, SOA + Design School

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Arizona State University

2024 Launching Leaders Program Cohort VII of the Leadership Academy at ASU

A comprehensive eight-month program designed to cultivate, educate, and grow faculty members who have newly-appointed administrative roles.

2023 peerLA Cohort XI of the Leadership Academy at ASU

Nominated by Dean Tepper in HIDA for a year-long series of trainings with a focus on developing leadership skills, advancing impactful projects, and building a diverse community of peer leaders.

ASU TEACHING

Undergraduate Courses Created, Developed and Taught

2025 Landscape Painting (ART494)

This class blends literary inspiration with technical and philosophical approaches to landscape painting, encouraging a dialogue between the visual and the literary arts. A primary focus of this class will include plein air painting, taken from the French phrase "en plein air", which translates "in the open air."

2024 Experimental Drawing (ART 394)

This class focuses on an expanded definition of drawing through the engagement of experimentation, play and discovery in an effort to develop a critical understanding of drawing

and its expansive possibilities. Emphasis is placed on the creation of experimental, performative, and process-based works using expressive mark making through non-traditional materials, surfaces and processes.

2023 The Art Experience for Transfer Students (ARA 394)

Designed to build retention for SOA transfer students- the course provides an open environment for dialogue and discovery and focuses on student success and providing skills important to the professional development of artists and creative thinkers.

2023 Monotypes, Collographs and Mixed Media (ART 394)

This course explores a variety of unique printmaking processes that include monoprinting, collagraphy, direct offset, stencil printing, collage and other mixed media strategies. Traditional image transfer techniques along with alternative processes for image making will be examined.. Students develop new ways to build images while learning about the properties of ink, paper, image and texture to discover a broad range of aesthetic possibilities. It was designed as a pilot for our online BA Art Studies degree

2020 Painting and Drawing Research Studio (ART 494/429)

This course was designed as a pre-capstone course where students apply their technical and conceptual abilities developed in previous courses into innovative statements of individual expression.

Students conduct independent research, complete written artist statements, and create a broader dialogue around their art practice in preparation for their final BFA exhibitions.

2015 *Painting for Non-majors* (ART 394)

In an effort to help bridge some gaps in education for the Art Minors – I created this class in the topic of Painting to explore materials at the foundational level and conceptual methods at an advanced level.

2014 Drawing as Seeing and Thinking (ART 110)

This course was designed to fulfill a General Studies Humanities requirement in the SOA to reach the broader community at ASU. The class has an integrated studio component, and in 2014 I converted it to a Hybrid online course. This course has become a foundational for our growing cohort of Art Minors, as well as a place of recruitment.

- Create/Manage all course content online and studio to serve 12-15 lab sections across 3 campuses.
- Enrollment of 400-500 students per semester
- Select/Supervise/Train 5-7 Faculty Associates each semester to teach studio sections of the course
- Manage class fee budget of over \$15,000 per semester for kits, classroom supplies, and technology
- Textbook selection and orders

Undergraduate Courses Redesigned and Taught

The Art Experience (ARA 101) - serving 200+ students

Designed to build retention, the format now includes a full C semester of instruction serving SOA first year freshmen (FYF) in weekly recitations of small cohorts to help foster community. The design of the course is meant to be the first of four touchstone moments in the SOA undergraduate curriculum.

Encounters with Art (ARA 240) - serving 100+ students

Required seminar class for sophomores that focusing on: creating community and networking with peers; strategies for building a career; communication skills; analysis and critical thinking; participating in community art events; and professional etiquette through written and verbal exercises.

Undergraduate Courses Taught

BFA Painting Seminar (ART 498)

Small-group study and research for advanced students within their majors.

Monoprinting (ART 459)

Investigates monoprint/monotype printmaking and its aesthetic possibilities. Students acquire basic and advanced skills in the medium through demonstrations, problem solving exercises, and experimentation..

Art on Paper (ART 427)

Advanced studio course where students will be expected to explore, experiment, challenge themselves to new ways of thinking about and working with paper as both a surface and a medium.

Individualized Instruction (ART 499)

Provide an opportunity to guide and mentor advanced students in original study or investigation in the fields of painting and drawing.

Foundation Drawing (ART 111)

Drawing (ART 211)

Intermediate *Drawing* (ART 311)

Advanced Drawing (ART 411)

Painting (ART 223)

Intermediate Painting (ART 323)

Advanced Painting (ART 423)

Graduate Courses Taught

Research (ART 592)

Monoprinting (ART 559)

Art on Paper (ART 527)

Study Abroad Taught

2008-2011 China Summer Study Abroad (ART 111, ART 211, ART 311, ART 294/394)

Was a co-director of this program. Coordinated courses, transportation, and student learning with Renmin University in Beijing, China.

- Design all inclusive budget for residency, travel, and class fees.
- Develop curricula in my area of expertise, review grant proposals and help recruit students for the program.
- Hold informational sessions throughout fall and spring terms, designed for the recruitment
 of students.
- Travel and live with students three to six weeks during summer.

MFA/MA Committees

- 2025 Caitlyn Swift MFA in Painting and Drawing (April 2025 defense) member
- 2023 Maggie Pearce MFA in Printmaking (April 2023 defense) member
- 2022 Jessica Soudani MA in Art Education (April 2022 defense) member
- 2019 Ross Quesnell MFA Drawing and Painting (April 2019 defense) member

Barrett Honors Committees/Contracts

2025 Kate Irwin, BS Architecture - Thesis Chair (S'25)

"A Study on the Creative Approach to Architecture"

Namah Albattah - BFA Painting and Drawing - 2nd reader (S'25)

"Orientalism and Its Effect on Arab Representation"

Geneva Feng - Mechanical Engineering - Thesis Chair (F'25)

"Arizona through the Traditional Chinese Landscape Painting Lens"

Ailani BFA Painting and Drawing - Thesis Chair (S'26)

2024 Tess Ward, BFA Animation - Thesis Chair

"Animation: Your Escape" Charles Grimes, - 2nd reader "Redefining the Sublime in Landscape Painting: An Artistic Investigation of Rock Formations Within Urban Environments" 2023 Jake Hernandez, BS in Economics - 2nd reader "An Exploration of Color" V Thomas, BFA Photography - Thesis Chair 2022 "Photography: S. S. T. S. T." Jordan Morrow, BFA Painting and Drawing - Contract Joshlynn Laral, BFA Animation - Contract Sydney Merrill, BFA Animation - Contract 2021 Frida Gutzman, BFA Painting - 2nd Reader Evan Lewis, BS Biological Sciences - Genetics, Developmental Biology - Thesis Chair "Permanence and Impermanence in Global Art Traditions" Samantha Christmas, The College of Lib Arts & Sci - Biological Sciences - Thesis Chair "Moribund Marine Life" Dallas Rogers, BFA Photography - Contract Kayla Allen, BFA Photography - Contract V Thomas, BFA Photography - Contract Sebastian Vargas, BFA Art Studies - Contract Sebastian Vargas, BFA Art Studies -- Thesis Chair "Divinity & Materialism" 2020 Grace Olsen, BFA Intermedia - Thesis Chair "Animation: Appeal and Empathy" Jacqueline Cotes, BFA Drawing- Thesis Chair "The Art of Healing" Sara Rea, BFA Drawing - Contract Elise Crawford-Paz, BFA Drawing - Contract Anne Sipos, BFA Drawing - Contract 2019 Jacqueline Cotes, BFA Drawing - Contract Grace Olsen, BFA Intermedia - Contract Aysha Mahmud, BioSci Neurobiology Physical & Behavior - Thesis Chair "The Art of Healing" Marija Shahid, BioSci Neurobiology Physical & Behavior - Thesis Chair Sam Deadrick, Mechanical Engineering - 2nd reader "Damietta" 2018 August Tang, Graphic Design - Thesis Chair "Emergence of Self: An exploration of nonbionary gender" Nicole Judge, BioSci Neurobiology Physical & Behavior - Thesis Chair "Precarious Fauna: An Art Exhibition" Megan Cadigan, BS Biology - Thesis Chair "Dichotomy: A framework for curative drawing to reduce stress" Elizabeth Mackenzie, Ira A Fulton Mechanical Engineering Adrian Torres - BFA Painting - 2nd reader 2017 "South Rising - History of South Mountain" Julianna Crozier, BBM Business-Marketing - Contract Isabella Leonardi, BFA Communications - Contract Evan Epperson, BS Arch Architecture - Contract

Rachana Rao, Bio Conservation and Ecology - 2nd reader "An Exploration of Self through Portraiture" Sean Sun, Liberal Arts Biological Sciences - Contract

Kaylee Antill, HIDA Landscape Architecture - Contract

2016

Dylan Baker, Engineering Mechanical - Contract

2016 Joshua Gonzales, Spanish Linguistics Thesis Committee - 3rd reader "Intersteller Landscapes"

Zachary Burnham, BS Engineering Electrical Engineering - Contract

Nicole Judge, Bio Science Animal Behavior and Physical - Contract

Brayden Smith, Bio Chemistry - Contract

Tanja Blasko, BFA Theater Theater Design - Contract

Samantha Rodrigues, BS Psych - Contract

Alexandra Williams, BS Psych - Contract

Individual Instruction (ART499/592) / BFA Mentor Capstone Projects

- Rachel Kornovich, BFA Painting Capstone mentor 2025
- 2024 Caitlyn Swift, MFA Painting/Drawing - Graduate Independent Study Rachel Rinker, MFA Painting/Drawing - Graduate Independent Study
- 2023 Hannah Thomas, BFA Painting/Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Dez Farkas, BFA Animation - Independent Study Natalie Hoder, BFA Painting/Drawing - Independent Study Taryn Pearson, BFA Painting/Drawing - Independent Study Gabriella Jording, BA Art History - Independent Study Lola Panco, MFA Painting/Drawing - Graduate Independent Study Caitlyn Swift, MFA Painting/Drawing - Graduate Independent Study
- Rachel Rinker, MFA Painting/Drawing Graduate Independent Study 2022 Theodore Beatty, MFA Painting/Drawing - Graduate Independent Study Amy Simons, MFA Printmaking - Graduate Independent Study Bradley Smith, MFA Intermedia - Graduate Independent Study Miranda Wacker, BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Joilet Gutzwiller, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Lydia Robb, BFA Painting - Independent Study Grace Tebow, BFA Painting - Independent Study Alicia Carr, Painting - Independent Study

Sara Kane, Animation - Independent Study

V Thomas, BFA Photography -Capstone mentor

Alija Luna, BFA Drawing - Capstone mentor

Ashton Bell, BFA Painting - Capstone mentor

Isabella Salvatierra, BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor 2021 Erin Signori, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Hayden Woodward, BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Selina Scott, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Clare Vasquez, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Jenna Glew, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Matthew Wilcox, Painting - Independent Study

Hanley Ange, Intermedia - Independent Study and Capstone mentor

Sheri Ashton, BFA Painting - Capstone mentor

Amanda Bernstein, BFA Drawing - Capstone mentor

Jacob Derbyshire, BFA Painting - Independent Study

Miranda Wacker, BFA Painting - Independent Study

Allene Dugan., BFA Painting - Independent Study

John Bedard, BFA Painting - Independent Study

Ashton Bell, BFA Painting - Independent Study

2020 Amanda Atrostic, BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Ileyna Witenstein - BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Kalan Hansen - BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor

Christina Valenzuela - BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Connor Magiera, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Loretta Heenan, Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor Henry Li, Drawing - Independent Study June Jung, Painting-Independent Study Isabella Salvatierra, Painting - Independent Study Tatum Kerley, Intermedia - Independent Study 2019 Amanda Atrostic, Drawing-Independent Study Annie German, Painting- Independent Study Loretta Heenan, Drawing- Independent Study Tiernan Malloy, Interdisciplinary - Independent Study Paul Grey Salazar, Drawing-Independent Study Carson Zick, Drawing-Independent Study Marie Grove, BFA Painting - Capstone mentor Kat Williams, BFA Drawing - Capstone mentor Annie German, BFA Painting - Capstone mentor Sophia Burgess, Arts Media- Independent Study Jordan Lisitzky, BFA Drawing - Capstone mentor Natalia Evans, BFA Drawing - Capstone mentor Julia Selman, Drawing - Independent Study

Steven Allison - BFA Painting - Independent Study and Capstone mentor

2018 Alessia Monson, BFA Drawing - Capstone mentor Rueben Mazon, Drawing - Independent Study Armida Keilty, BFA Painting - Capstone mentor

Ross Quesnell, Graduate Painting - Independent Study

Cara J Conception, Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor

Layne Farmer, Graduate Painting - Independent Study
Aimee Ollinger, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
Sonia Garcia, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
Nicholas Cagnetti, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
Bethany Kee, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
Theo Beatty, Drawing - Independent Study
Tanja Blasko, Theater - Independent Study
Savannah Nangle, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
X-Avier Corrales, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
Hailey Tang, Drawing - Independent Study
Madison Marcola, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor

2016 Alexandra Brunet-Giambalvo, Painting - Independent Study
Shauna Daley, Drawing - Independent Study
Alexa Heiser, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
Jazmin Martinez, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor
Amanda Tufts, BFA Drawing - Independent Study and Capstone mentor

Graduate TA Mentoring

2017

2023 Caitlyn Swift, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Rachel Rinker, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Germán Benincore, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Theodore Beatty, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor

2022 Bethany Larson, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Auberi Zwickel, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Liza Stout, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Caitlyn Swift, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor

Volha Panco, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Prashast Kachru, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor

- 2018 Erin Kuhn, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Ross Quesnell, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Megan Johnson, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Larry Madrigal, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor
- 2017 Michael Diaz, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Ryan Eckert, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Daniel Nez, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Michael Jacobs, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor
- 2016 Camile Galofre, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Layne Farmer, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Matt Hoelsher, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Hannah Walsh, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor
- 2015 Travis Rice, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Randall DeCaussin, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Tyler Griese, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Matthew Hoelsher, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor Travis Ivey, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing - Teaching Assistant advisor
- 2014 Danielle Godreau, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Rory MacLean, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Christopher Vena, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Lisa Hoffner, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor Andrew Naftziger, Pedagogy in Contemporary Drawing Teaching Assistant advisor *Abbreviated list, 2006-2013 available upon request*

ASU SERVICE

Assistant Dean for Career Track Faculty (HIDA)

Assist with individual mentoring for career track faculty across HIDA Host Faculty Futures workshops focused on promotion for career track faculty in HIDA Host Professional Development workshops around Student Success for all faculty in HIDA Review cases for career track promotions and multi-year renewals. Build network and support systems for career track faculty across the Institute. Monthly meetings with Assoc. & Asst. Deans for CT faculty across ASU

Associate Director - Curriculum and Student Success (SOA)

Undergraduate Student Affairs

Student Retention (2019-2024)

Through the Community of Care help guide students with financial issues, emotional/behavioral, and academic grievances. Assist in annual Major Map review, working with faculty and advisors to update existing major maps. Oversee Petitions and Academic Standards; work with community partners to build internship opportunities; work with the SOA clubs organizing events and showcasing in the community. Academic and professional advising through different milestone courses.

Student Recruitment (2019-2024)

Oversee undergraduate enrollment and admissions, attend Fall Welcome events, Transfer Student Breakfast, attend orientation events with advisors, Assist in planning and organizing the SOA Summer Camps and Open Door activities.

Scholarships (2020-2024)

Updating Scholarship portal and Slideroom, Award SOA scholarships, Mange Enrichment Grant Awards, and Manage Blick Materials Scholarship

Student Advisory Council (2019-2020)

Established a Council in 2019 to give a voice to nominated leaders within the undergraduate student body. Through surveys and discussion groups, assessments could be made based on the needs and desires of the overall student population in regards to facilities, curriculum, and overall community. This was then evolved into a SOA club in 2020 Art Students (K)coalition (see Other Service)

ARTfest (2018-2024)

Design and Organize student clubs participation in events aimed at FTF to increase retention and promote maker spaces to the non majors across the entire campus. In addition, these events allowed for fundraising efforts to help support the clubs.

Artists Breakfast Chats (2021-2025) (previously Brown Bag Artist Workshop Series)

Provides additional mentorship to our students as they prepare for a range of careers and a variety of artistic ventures. Students learn from the stories, guidance, and practical advice that guest artists, alumni and industry professionals have to offer.

Alumni

BFA Alumni Panel (2019-2024)

Organized and hosted BFA Alumni to speak to the ARA 101 courses in an effort to establish a connection to the freshmen, while maintaining relationships and adding value to the alumni from the SOA.

Faculty Mentor/Alumni exhibition (2018, 2022)

Designed to honor four SOA outstanding faculty for their incredible mentorship to students. This exhibition pairs the art of each faculty mentor with that of selected alumni to recognize the profound relationships they have nurtured over the years.

Community

Phoenix Art Museum pARTy Event & ASU Art (2018)

Curated and organized the artwork of 20 graduate students to exhibit during the event hosted to honor Michael Crowe

Graduate Tempe Hotel exhibitions (2018-2020)

Established ongoing exhibition with community partner at the Graduate Tempe Hotel. Eight students are selected through a juried process to have a month long exhibition of their work - also promoting professional development for the student.

Scottsdale Fashion Square 2 exhibitions (2019-2020)

Worked with the mall to procure unused spaces and host collaborative exhibitions between Fashion and Art. This gains exposure to the School of Art and will help with Recruitment.

COMMITTEES

University

2025	ASU University	ondergraduate :	Standards Coi	nmittee, appointed
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2024 ASU Senate Member, School of Art (Spring only)

ASU University Undergraduate Standards Committee, appointed

2023 ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art

ASU University Undergraduate Standards Committee, appointed

2022 ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art

ASU University Undergraduate Standards Committee, appointed

2021 ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art

ASU University Undergraduate Standards Committee, HIDA representative appointed

2020 ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art

2019 ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art

2018 ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art

	ASU Student-Faculty Policy Committee, Sub Committee of ASU Senate
2017	ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art
	ASU Student-Faculty Policy Committee, Sub Committee of ASU Senate
2016	ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art
Herber	ger Institute of Design and Arts
2025	HIDA Undergraduate Standards Committee - member
2024	HIDA Undergraduate Standards Committee - member
202 .	HIDA Curriculum Committee - member
2023	HIDA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
	HIDA Undergraduate Standards Committee - member
	HIDA Curriculum Committee - member
2022	HIDA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
	HIDA Undergraduate Standards Committee - member
2021	HIDA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
	HIDA Undergraduate Standards Committee - member
2020	HIDA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
	HIDA Undergraduate Standards Committee - member
2019	HIDA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
2018	HIDA Fixed-term Personnel Committee (Ad-Hoc)
School	of Art
2025	SOA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
	SOA Program Coordinator Committee, member
2024	SOA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
	SOA Program Coordinator Committee, Co-Chair
	SOA Search Committee - Asst Professor - Art Therapy, member
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Program Manager, chair
2023	SOA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, Chair
	SOA Search Committee - Asst Teaching Professor - ArtCORE (3D), chair
	SOA Search Committee - Asst Teaching Professor - ArtCORE (PICT), chair
	SOA Search Committee - Asst Teaching Professor - ArtCORE (IDM), chair
	SOA Program Coordinator Committee, Chair
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Program specialist, chair
2022	SOA Curriculum Committee - ad hoc member
	SOA Search Committee - Lecturer position in Animation, chair
	SOA Search Committee - Lecturer position in Art Education
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Business Operations Specialist
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Curriculum specialist
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Program specialist, chair
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Program specialist, chair SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Fashion Program specialist
2021	SOA Curriculum Committee
2021	SOA Curriculum Committee SOA Search Committee - Instructor position in Art History
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee, chair - Student Community & Engagement Specialist
	SOA Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Curriculum specialist
2020	SOA Curriculum Committee
_520	Search Committee - Associate Professor in Fashion
	Search Committee - Instructor position in Fashion
	Search Committee, chair - Instructor position in Painting&Drawing
	Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Business Operations Manager

2019	HIDA Fixed-term Personnel Committee, chair
	Search Committee - Instructor position in Painting&Drawing
	Staff Hiring Committee - SOA Fine Arts Specialist, Gallery Director
2018	Search Committee - Assistant Professor Art Education
	Staff Hiring Committee - Student and Community Engagement Specialist
	Student-Faculty Policy Committee, Sub Committee of ASU Senate
2017	ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art
	Student-Faculty Policy Committee, Sub Committee of ASU Senate
2016	ASU Senate Member, elected School of Art
Present	tations/Panels/Workshops
2025	Presentation, "From Process to Play: Transforming Studio Practices for Deeper
	Engagement" FATE 20th Biennial Conference, Washington DC
	Presentation, "Reviving Curiosity & Igniting Engagement: Shifting Freshmen Mindsets
	Through Cross-Disciplinary Exploration and Creative Learning" FATE 20th Biennial
	Conference, Washington DC
2023	"Let's Paint!" - Team building workshop for HIDA advisors
2022	Visions Painting/Drawing Collage Workshop at SMOCA
	BootCamp for artCORE
	Designed and presented 5-day Bootcamp to onboard new TA's in the SOA with D.Collins
2021	CRP Training Workshop for ARTCore, ASU, Tempe, AZ
	Presentation designed in collaboration with Phil Weaver-Stoez
2020	HIDA Fixed-Term Promotion Strategies and Processe
	Presentation designed in collaboration with Cynthia Roses-Thema in FDT
2019	School of Sustainability, Special Events Management course.
	Facilitated a "Sip n' Paint" event for 50 students
	HIDA Fixed-Term Promotion Strategies and Processes
	Presentation designed in collaboration with Cynthia Roses-Thema in FDT
	Panelist, "Hybrid Practices in Drawing" FATE 17th Biennial Conference, Columbus, OH
2018	Presentation, "Drawing as Seeing and Thinking" Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan
	Lecture, "Drawing as Seeing and Thinking" Hainan University, Hianan, China
	Workshop, "Drawing from the Senses - How We Perceive Information"
	International Thinking Through Drawing Symposium, London, U.K.
	Panel Discussion, "The Language of Drawing"
	International Thinking Through Drawing Symposium, London, U.K.
	Panel included – Melissa M Button, Heidi Hogden, Michael Moore, and
	Rebecca Chamberlain, chaired by Andrea Kantrowitz
2017	Guest Lecture and Workshop, "The Importance of Taking Risks in Creativity"
	HDA 210 – Creativity and Innovation in Design and Arts at ASU
2016	Visiting Artist Lecture, Duke University, Durham, NC
	ARTSVIS 220: Intermediate Painting and Graduate Seminar
2015	Guest Lecture and Workshop, "The Importance of Taking Risks in Creativity"
	HDA 210 – Creativity and Innovation in Design and Arts at ASU
2014	Workshop, Architeckton Architecture Firm, Tempe, AZ
	Guest Lecture and Workshop, "The Importance of Taking Risks in Creativity"
	HDA 210 – Creativity and Innovation in Design and Arts at ASU
2007	Two-day Lecture/Workshop, Alchemy Studio "Collage and Mixed Media Processes"
2004	Lecture, "The Power of Limits" Artist Lecture, Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ

Supervisor/Coordinator

2023-24 Coordinator for Foundation Drawing in artCORE

- Hire and mentor Teaching Assistants per semester to teach in ART 111
- Supervise and evaluate the preparation of all class materials including syllabus, class assignments, and exams.
- Provide support for instructors in various student matters
- Evaluate and create written reports on each TA's performance in the classroom
- 2022-24 Curriculum Manager, School of Art Supervisor
- 2018-24 Student Community Engagement Manager Supervisor
- 2022 Fall Co-Coordinator for artCORE
 - Hire and mentor Teaching Assistants per semester to teach in ART 111
 - Supervise and evaluate the preparation of all class materials including syllabus, class assignments, and exams.
 - Provide support for instructors in various student matters
 - Evaluate and create written reports on each TA's performance in the classroom
- 2006-18 Coordinator for Drawing I
 - Hire and mentor 6-8 Teaching Assistants per semester to teach in ART 111
 - Supervise and evaluate the preparation of all class materials including syllabus, class assignments, and exams.
 - Train all new TA's for classroom instruction to ensure proficiency on course topics
 - Provide support for instructors in various student matters
 - Purchase textbook orders and student supplies for 7-10 sections (approx. 120 students)
 - Evaluate and create written reports on each TA's performance in the classroom
- 2017-18 Coordinator for artCORE (Interim)
 - Hire and mentor 25-27 Teaching Assistants per semester to teach in ART 112, ART 113, ART 115, ART 116
 - Supervise and evaluate the preparation of all class materials including syllabus, class assignments, and exams.
 - Provide support for instructors in various student matters
 - Purchase textbook orders and student supplies for 25-27 sections (approx. 340 students)
 - Evaluate and create written reports on each TA's performance in the classroom
- 2012-13 Shop Superintendent, ASU Design College Prototype Shop
 - Reorganize outdated structures and policies to modernize and streamline tasks.
 - Communicating and coordinating with faculty in the Design College scheduling demos and working to accommodate large scale projects, and assist in special projects.
 - Training new staff to high levels of competency within the shop facility including training on the CNC router/milling machines to successfully program and execute student files.
 - Worked to repair and maintain the equipment, while purchasing the supplies necessary to keep the shop running efficiently.
 - Created new protocol for safety standards on machines to enable student learning and independence in the facility.

Curatorial/Juror Initiatives

2025 AXA Art Prize, New York Academy of Art

Regional Juror

Courtroom Artist Competition, Arizona Bar Association

Juror

2024 CHROMA 24 Exhibition, Mesa Community College

Juror

Organizer: "Highlights of a First Year Painting Studio", North Gallery, SOA, Tempe, AZ Curated painting exhibition of 18 artist's work from a foundation painting course.

AXA Art Prize 2024, New York Academy of Art

Regional Juror

2023 AXA Art Prize 2023, New York Academy of Art

Regional Juror

2022 AXA Art Prize 2022, New York Academy of Art

Regional Juror

2021 AXA Art Prize 2021, New York Academy of Art

Regional Juror

2020 Organizer: "Mano a Mono", Gallery 100, Tempe, AZ

Curated printmaking exhibition of 12 artist's work during quarantine, with a focus on the unique, innovative practices discovered outside of the classroom space.

- 2017 Co-organizer: "Inverse Conversations V", Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum, Mesa, AZ
 Coordinated International Exchange exhibition Renmin University of China/ASU faculty/
 students held at the MCA museum in Mesa, AZ. Organized the venue and curated show of
 artists. In addition, created a 64 page catalogue as an Editor and worked with Al Sanft,
 graphic designer, for layout and printing.
- Co-organizer: "Inverse Conversations: Tradition RE/formed," Phoenix, AZ
 Coordinated International Exchange exhibition Renmin University of China/ASU faculty/
 students held at the Step Gallery in downtown Phoenix. Organized the venue and curated show of artists, and hung work in the gallery In addition, created a 64 page catalogue as an Editor and worked with graphic designers for layout.
- Co-organizer: "Inverse Conversations," Beijing, China
 Coordinated International Exchange exhibition Renmin University of China/ASU faculty/
 students held at the 798 Bridge Gallery, Beijing, China (this district is comparable to the
 Chelsea District in NYC). Arranged international travel for faculty and students from ASU to
 China.
- 2012 Inverse Conversations Step One Gallery, Tempe, AZ

 Coordinated International Exchange exhibition between Renmin University of China and
 ASU. Both faculty and students were invited to participate. Organized the venue and
 curated show of artists, and hung work in the gallery
- 2008 The Beijing Experience —Arizona State University Downtown Campus, Phoenix, AZ
 Organized the venue and curated show of student artists who spent the summer in Beijing creating work that reflected their experiences.

Other Service

2025 AP Art and Design Readings Review, Salt Lake City, Utah

Working with the College Board on credit and placement polices.

2024 Higher Education Symposium on AP Art and Design

Invitation to provide feedback on the AP Art and Design course and assessment framework; network with other faculty engaged in undergraduate art and design instruction; learn how to use AP Art and Design to recruit potential majors.

Reader for HIDA Convocation - Spring

Honors Convocation - Spring

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2021	Reader for HIDA Convocation - Spring
	Unit representation at HIDA Convocation - Fall
	Honors Convocation - Fall
	SOA Club Advisor - Art Students (K)coalition
	Club grown to 50+ members
2020	Unit representation at HIDA Convocation
	SOA Club Advisor - Art Students (K)coalition
2019	Club grown to 30+ members Unit representation at HIDA Convocation
2019	Honors Convocation - Spring
2018	Reader for HIDA Convocation - Spring
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	Honors Convocation - Spring
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Exhibit	
2023	In Good Company, Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art — Winston-Salem, NC
2022	In Good Company, Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art (SMOCA) — Scotts., AZ
2021	Geometric Repetitions - Shemer Art Center Bi-annual Faculty Exhibition, Harry Wood Gallery — Tempe, AZ
2021	Nature Exhibition, The In Art Gallery, juror - Ryan Horvath
2019	Bi-annual Faculty Exhibition, Step Gallery — Phoenix, AZ
	Little by Little, Intersection Gallery — Gilbert, AZ
	19th Annual Artist Books Exhibition, Harry Wood Gallery — Tempe, AZ
2018	Glenfiddich Artist in Residence Exhibition, AIR Gallery—Dufftown, Scotland
	Anonyme Zeichner/Anonymous Drawings, Galerie im Körnerpark—Berlin, Germany
	Faculty Alumni Exhibition, Step Gallery, Arizona State University—Phoenix, AZ
2017	Inverse Conversations V, Mesa Contemporary Art Museum,—Mesa, AZ
	Five 15 to the Power of 5, Phoenix Center for the Arts—Phoenix, AZ (invitational group
2016	Faculty Show, Harry Wood Gallery, Arizona State University Art Museum
2016	Inverse Conversations, Art Museum in Renmin University,—Beijing, China
	Paper Expeditions, Tilt Gallery—Scottsdale, AZ. (solo)
	Creative Push, Step Gallery—Tempe, AZ (invitational group) Invitational Exhibition, 13 Contemporary Art Space—Qingzhou, China
	Five15 to the Power of 5, five15 Gallery—Phoenix, AZ (invitational group)
2015	Inverse Conversations III, Step Gallery—Tempe, AZ
2014	Connections Exhibition, Tempe Youth Gallery—Tempe, AZ
2013	Third Wave: Painters and Printmakers, Night Gallery—Tempe, AZ
	Inverse Conversations II, Bridge Gallery 798 District—Beijing, China
	Faculty Show Arizona State University Art Museum
2012	the moments, Biltmore Gallery—Phoenix, AZ (solo)
	Inverse Conversations, Step Gallery—Tempe, AZ
	Inverse Conversations, Stark Gallery—Phoenix, AZ
2011	New Works - First Studio—Phoenix, AZ (solo)
2009	The Beijing Experience, Arizona State University—Phoenix, AZ
2000	New Works, G2 Gallery—Scottsdale, AZ
2008	New Paintings and Prints, G2 Gallery—Scottsdale, AZ (solo) New Works, Paragon Gallery—Portland, OR
	Group Artists Show, Finer Things Gallery—Nashville, TN
2007	Doorways G2 Gallery—Scottsdale A7 (solo)

	All our Children, Bella Perla Gallery—Portland, OR
	Best of Phoenix, CattleTrack Press—Scottsdale, AZ
2006	walking through, Fala Collections Gallery—Tucson, AZ (solo)
	Juried Exhibition, Micro Museum—Brooklyn, NY
2005	Monotypes: New Works, West Valley Art Museum—Surprise, AZ (solo)
	in-side-out-side, G2 Gallery—Scottsdale, AZ (solo)
2004	The Girls, LewAllen Contemporary Gallery—Santa Fe, NM
	New Works, Finer Things Gallery—Nashville, TN
2003	The Landscape: monotypes Museum of Contemporary Art—Fort Collins, CO (3 person)
	New Works, G2 Gallery—Scottsdale, AZ (2 person)
	Back and Forth, Modified Gallery—Phoenix, Arizona (2 person)
	Contemporary Forum, Phoenix Art Museum—Phoenix, AZ
	Natural Interpretations, @Central Gallery—Phoenix, AZ (solo)
2002	Invitational Show, Exit Art—New York, NY
	Abstract Landscapes, Herberger Center—Phoenix, AZ
2001	La Petite IX, Alder Gallery—OR
	New Works, Modified Gallery—Phoenix, Arizona (2 person)
	Artlink Juried Exhibition 2001, Phoenix Courthouse—Phoenix,AZ
	The Power of Limits, Thesis Show, Harry Wood Gallery—Tempe, AZ
Artist (Grants/Awards/Commissions
2019	William Grant & Sons commission
2018	Glenfiddich International Artist Residency
	Award of \$15,000 and 3 month residency.
2016	Project Grant, Herberger Institute Research Council
	With collaborators Claudia Brown and Mark Pomilio. \$2000 award funding
	collaboration with Arizona State University and Renmin University of China.
2014	Project Grant, Herberger Institute Research Council
	With collaborators Claudia Brown and Mark Pomilio. \$3500 award funding
	collaboration with Arizona State University and Renmin University of China.
2005	Nominee Louis Comfort Tiffany Grant, Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation
2002	Artist Materials Grant, Contemporary Forum, Phoenix Art Museum
2000	Honorable Mention, Juried Exhibition, Mayo Clinic Scottsdale
1993	Fellowship Recipient, Harvard Graduate School of Design
1989	4-Year Regents Scholar, Arizona State University
Publica	
2023	Let's Talk about Critique: reimagining art and design education - Co-authored Chapter The Critical Response Process: A Method Toward Communal Investment in Artist
	Empowerment - melissa m button, Matt Nock, Phil Weaver-Stoesz
12/17	Superstition Review - featured artist
3/17	Inverse Conversations V Exhibition Book
09/16	Phoenix NewTimes : 10 Best Shows to see
01/15	Inverse Conversations: Tradition RE/formed Catalogue
09/13	Inverse Conversations Exhibition Book
02/12	Inverse Conversations Catalogue
02/06	American Artist : Artist of the Month
02/06	Tucson Review : "Altered Landscapes"
1/04	Shade Magazine : "Back and Forth"
11/03	The Scottsdale Republic : "Don't miss miniature artwork"
11/03	The Arizona Republic