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## **Degrees:**

Principia College: Bachelor of Arts, English, June 2009

Queens University of Charlotte, North Carolina: Master of Fine Arts, Creative Writing: Fiction and Poetry, January 2013. Thesis Title: *Art of a Single Woman* 

### **Other Education:**

University of Alabama, Birmingham: Graduate Course, U.S. Literature 1914-1945, Summer 2013

Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville: Graduate Course, Teaching African American Literature, Summer 2014

### **Publications:**

"Carver's Ending of 'Cathedral': 'It's Really Something." Essay for Eric Sheridan Wyatt's *Words Matter* blog, January 2013.

#### **Presentations:**

"The Epiphany Ending." Queens University of Charlotte, North Carolina Craft Lecture. January 2013.

Art of a Single Woman: Queens University of Charlotte, North Carolina Thesis Readings. January 2013.

Fiction reading for Principia College's 4X4 panel, Fall 2011.

# **Teaching Experience:**

2016-2019: Assistant Professor, English Literature and Creative Writing, Principia College 2012 – 2016: Instructor, English Literature and Creative Writing, Principia College 2011-2012: Visiting Professor, English Literature and Creative Writing, Principia College 2010-2011: Graduate Assistant, Athletics, Principia College

# **Courses Taught at Principia:**

Fiction Writing II
Fiction Writing I
Poetry Writing I
Understanding Poetry
Understanding Short Fiction
Advanced Creative Writing Seminar
U.S. Literature 1860-1940
African American Literature
Introduction to the English Major
Capstone Proposal
Capstone in Creative Writing

Poetry Writing II Literary Editing

Creative Writing on Location: Ireland

Theory as Creative Practice on Location: Ireland

## **Academic Service:**

Spring 2019: Co-led full semester Ireland Abroad Program through Principia College

Fall 2018-present: Faculty Athletic Representative for Principia College

Fall 2016-2018: English Department Chair

October 2016: Hosted Naeem Murr's fiction reading

2014-2018: Scholastic Committee

October 2015: Hosted A.D. Carson's reading event

February 2015: Hosted Ali Vlahos's reading event entitled: "Writing the Wrongs"

October 2014: Hosted Poet Cindy Lyles's reading event entitled: "Reciting the City: Where East St. Louis, Pop-Culture, and Poetry Meet"

2013-Present: Advisor for Friends of English student club

Spring 2012-Fall 2015: New Faculty meetings

Fall 2013: Hosted Poet Devon MacNamara's reading event

October 2012: Hosted Fiction Writer Pinckney Benedict's reading event

October 2012: Co-hosted Ron Charles talk entitled, "The State of American Fiction" at Principia College

2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, & 2017: Organized and led/co-led trips to the AWP conference in Chicago, Boston, Seattle, and Minnesota

# **Other Relevant Experience:**

2010-2013 (during the summers): Girls' Camp Program Director, Cedars Camps, Lebanon, MO 2010: Volunteer Mentor, Creative Writing, Society of the Muse of the Southwest

### **Awards and Honors:**

William H. Selmeier Literary Award, Principia College, 2009

Pittman Prose Award, Principia College, 2008

SLIAC All-Academic Team, Principia College, 2009

Student Athlete 4.0 Club, Principia College, 2008-2009

Member of Phi Alpha Eta honor society, Principia College, 2007-2009

Honor Roll & Dean's list, Principia College, 2006-2009