# JENNIFER ASHTON Curriculum Vitae

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2005-present	Associate Professor of English, University of Illinois at Chicago
2008-2012	Associate Head of English, University of Illinois at Chicago
2005-2007	Associate Dean of the Humanities, College of Liberal Arts and
	Sciences, University of Illinois at Chicago
2001-2005	Assistant Professor of English, University of Illinois at Chicago
1998-2001	Assistant Professor of English, Cornell University
1996-1998	Lecturer, Georgetown University

#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D.	The Johns Hopkins University, English and American Literature,
May 1998	Dissertation: Writing That Counts: Gertrude Stein and the

Mathematics of Modernism

M.A. The Johns Hopkins University, English and American Literature

Nov 1995

Honors B.A. The University of Utah, Honors English Major with French Minor

Jun 1987

#### **PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS**

#### Books

From Modernism to Postmodernism: American Poetry and Theory in the Twentieth Century (Cambridge UP, 2005).

Poetry and the Price of Milk: Lyric, Labor, and the Market in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (in progress)

# **Edited Volumes**

The Cambridge Companion to American Poetry Since 1945 (Cambridge UP, 2013)

# Journal Articles, Chapters, and Critical Introductions

"The Promise of the Present: Michael Fried's Poetry," *Michael Fried and Philosophy: Modernism, Intention, and Theatricality*, ed. Mathew Abbott (Routledge, 2018).

"Conceptual Writing," American Literature in Transition: 2000-2010 ed. Rachel Greenwald Smith (Cambridge UP, 2017).

- "Self Expression without Self Expression: The Political Meaning of Self-Evident Poems," The Fate of Difficulty in the Poetry of Our Time, ed. Charles Altieri and Nicholas D. Nace (Northwestern UP, 2017).
- "Totaling the Damage: Neoliberalism and Revolutionary Ambition in Recent American Poetry" (revised reprint), Neoliberalism and Literature: An Introduction, ed. Mitchum Huehls and Rachel Greenwald Smith (The Johns Hopkins UP, 2017).
- "Posthuman Capital, or I ♥ Apocalypse," Literary/Liberal Entanglements: Towards a Literary History for the Twenty-First Century, ed. Corinne Harrol and Mark Simpson (University of Toronto Press, 2017).
- "Totaling the Damage: Revolutionary Ambition in Recent American Poetry, nonsite.org (October 2015).
- "Poetry and the Price of Milk," nonsite.org (September 2013).
- "Introduction" and "Twenty-First Century American Poetry: The First Decade," in The Cambridge Companion to American Poetry Since 1945, edited by Jennifer Ashton (Cambridge UP, 2013)
- "Labor and the Lyric: The Politics of Self-Expression in Contemporary American Poetry," American Literary History 25.1 (2013): 217-230.
- "We Are All Capitalists, Too." The Tank: Do We Need Adorno? nonsite.org (September 2012).
- "Lyric, Gender, and Subjectivity in Modern and Contemporary Poetry," in The Cambridge History of American Women's Literature, edited by Dale Bauer (Cambridge UP, 2012).
- "The Motive for Metonymy: A Parochial Theme," nonsite.org 4 (December 2011).
- "Two Problems with a Neuroaesthetic Theory of Art," nonsite.org 2 (June 2011).
- "Sincerity and the Second Person: Lyric after Language Poetry," Interval(le)s 2.2-3.1 (Fall 2008/Winter 2009) http://www.cipa.ulg.ac.be/intervalles4/contentsinter4.php.
- "The Numbers Trouble with 'Numbers Trouble," Chicago Review 53: 2/3 (Autumn 2007).
- "Response to Stephen Burt," Modern Philology 105:1 (August2007).
- "Our Bodies, Our Poems," American Literary History 19:1 (Spring 2007).
- "Modernism's New Literalism." *Modernism/Modernity* 10:2 (April 2003).
- ""Rose Is a Rose": Gertrude Stein and the Critique of Indeterminacy." Modernism/Modernity 9:4 (November 2002).
- Introduction to Gertrude Stein's Matisse, Picasso and Gertrude Stein (New York: Dover, 2000).
- "How Can a Lesbian Be an Adulteress? Marriage and Promiscuity in Gertrude Stein"s Domestic Fictions." Western Humanities Review 53:1 (Spring 1999).
- "Gertrude Stein for Anyone." ELH 64:1 (Spring 1997).

# **Book** Reviews

Review of Steven Meyer, Irresistible Dictation: Gertrude Stein and the Correlations of Writing and Science (2001). Modernism/Modernity 9:2 (April 2002).

# Poetry and Fiction

- Three poems from Original Programming for 600 Channels. *The Journal* (Summer 2006).
- Two poems from Original Programming for 600 Channels. DIAGRAM 5.4 (August 2005).
- "Melba Box" (fiction). The Journal, Fall/Winter 1996.
- "An Elegy Is a Man" and "Still Life with Motion" (poetry). Ploughshares. Winter 1995-96.
- "Apocalypse Is an Elegy" and "Privileges of Travel" (poetry). The Paris Review. Fall 1994.
- "Angel Hidden in a Landscape" (poetry). Chicago Review. Fall 1992.
- "The Genius of Sleep" (poetry). The New Republic. 13 August 1990.
- "In Your South American Dream" (poetry). The New Republic. 1 May 1989.
- "After Light" and "Curator" (poetry). Poetry Northwest. Fall 1987.

## LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

- "Nothing in Commons: The Plural Person and the Vanishing Public Good," The Return of the Aesthetic in American Studies, Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt, December 1, 2018 (invited symposium presentation).
- Untitled remarks, "What Tenured Professors Can Do about Adjunctification," Modern Language Association Annual Convention, New York, NY, January 6, 2018 (invited roundtable presentation).
- "The Politics of a Self-Evident Poetics," Is Economic Inequality also a Literary Problem Symposium, Uppsala University, October 28, 2017 (invited symposium presentation).
- "Poetry, Politics, and the Market," Art and Politics, Marxist University annual forum, Waterloo, BE, August 20, 2017 (workshop leader and presenter).
- "The Poetics of Emergency and the Politics of Self-Expression," A Poetics of Emergency, ACLA annual convention, Utrecht, NL, July 7, 2017 (panel presentation).
- "Modernism, Literalism, and the End of Poetry: Ben Lerner's Blossom and Michael Fried's *Promesse du Bonheur*," Art and Objecthood at 50, Modernist Studies Association annual convention, Pasadena, CA, November 19, 2016 (panel presentation).
- "Posthuman Capital, or I ♥ Apocalypse," Post45 annual meeting, Montréal, Quebec, November 5, 2016 (invited symposium presentation).
- "Self-Expression without Self-Expression: Guy Bennett's Self-Evident Poems and the Concept of Conceptualism," English Department, University of Missouri, April 11, 2016 (invited lecture).
- "Readerless Books and Workerless Works: Contemporary Poetry in the U.S., 2000-2015," Newberry Teachers Consortium Seminar, Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, January 27, 2016 (invited presentation).
- "Totaling the Damage: Revolutionary Ambition in Post-2008 American Poetry," American Literature Seminar, Scholl Center for American History and

- Culture, Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, November 10, 2015 (invited presentation).
- "The Political Meaning of Self-Evident Poems, or Self Expression without Self Expression," Post45 annual meeting, Iowa City, IA, November 6, 2016 (invited presentation).
- "Banking on the Lyric: Poetry and Its Futures," Neoliberalism and the Literary Sphere, Association for the Arts of the Present annual convention. Greenville, NC, September 24, 2015 (panel presentation).
- "Banking on the Lyric: Poetry and Its Futures," Contemporary Literature and the Culture of the School, University of Heidelberg, Heidelberg, Germany, June 13, 2015 (invited lecture).
- "Banking on the Lyric: Poetry and Its Futures," Liberalism and American Literature, University College Dublin Clinton Institute, February 20, 2015 (invited symposium presentation).
- "'All That Silent Stone, in Agony': American Poetry since 2001, a View from the Pergamon Altar," Humanities Center, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, March 25, 2014 (invited lecture).
- "Capitalism Carved in Stone: Two Ways of Looking at Race and Revolution," Modernist Studies Association annual convention, Pittsburgh, PA, November 8, 2014 (panel presentation).
- "Posthuman Capital: Poetry and Theory since 2008," The Entangled Careers of Literary History and Liberalism, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AL, April 11, 2014 (invited lecture).
- "Posthuman Capital, or I ♥ Apocalypse," Culture and Real Subsumption, ACLA annual convention, March 21, 2014 (panel presentation).
- "I ♥ Apocalypse: Poetry and Posthuman Capital in the 21st Century," Cultural Studies Colloquium, Columbia College, Chicago, IL, February 27, 2014 (invited lecture).
- "I ♥ Apocalypse: The Posthuman and Postracial Imagination in 21st-Century Poetics." Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germany, October 30. 2013 (invited lecture).
- "The Marginalized Body and Its Marginalized Mind," Mind Science in Contemporary Poetry, Modern Language Association annual convention, Chicago, IL, January 11, 2014 (panel presentation).
- "Labor and the Lyric: The Politics of Self-Expression in Contemporary American Poetry," Writing Literature, Reading Society: Power, Politics, and Economy in Contemporary Literary Production. Ha!Arts Conference, Krakow, Poland, October 29, 2013 (keynote address).
- "From Subject Position to Object Position: Ecopoetics and Object-Oriented Ontology as Posthuman Capital," ASAP annual conference, Detroit, MI, October 5, 2013 (panel presentation).
- "I ♥ Apocalypse: The Contemporary Lyric Subject and its Futures, Post 2008," Symposium on the Futures of the Present," Uppsala University, May 16, 2013 (invited lecture).
- "The Author as Consumer: Finance Modernism from Brecht, Benjamin, and Pound to Now," Lovis Corinth Colloquium on German Modernism, Emory

- University, Atlanta, March 9, 2013 (invited lecture).
- "Lyric ≠ Labor, or the Politics of Modernism Post Postmodernism," Difficult Contexts, Difficult Texts, Modernist Studies Association annual meeting, Las Vegas, October 20, 2012 (panel presentation).
- "Labor ≠ Lyric: American Poetry and Its Politics since 2001," University of Uppsala, Sweden, May 9, 2012 (invited lecture).
- "Labor ≠ Lyric: Poetry and Politics Since 2002," Dartmouth College, May 3, 2012 (invited lecture).
- "Workerless Works: Labor and the Lyric," Second Books Symposium Series, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, October 28, 2011 (invited lecture).
- "How the Lyric Subject Became the Lyric Body," Brain, Form, and Meaning in Contemporary Art and Theory, AFEA Annual Conference, Brest, France, May 28, 2011, (panel presentation and chair).
- "Poetry and Grammar (Again)," Poetry, Technique, Theory, Post45@The Rock Hall, Cleveland, OH, April 29, 2011 (invited panel presentation).
- "Affect, Meaning, and Belief in Recent American Poetry," No Quarrels: Literature and Philosophy Today, Boston University, April 2, 2011 (invited panel presentation).
- "Lyric Now!", Conrad Festival, Krakow, Poland, November 6, 2010 (invited panel presentation).
- "Two Problems with an Affect Theory of Art," American Society for Aesthetics, Pacific Division Meetings, Asilomar, CA, April 7, 2010 (panel presentation).
- "Affect, Meaning, and Belief in Recent American Poetry," UIC English Department Colloquium, Chicago, January 29, 2010 (invited lecture).
- "The Affective Turn in Recent American Poetry," The Kennedy Institute for North American Studies, Berlin, November 19, 2009 (invited lecture).
- "Immediate Repeatings: Tender Buttons and Every Way Oakly," What is a Poem is a Language, Modernist Studies Association annual meeting, Montréal, November 7, 2009 (panel presentation).
- "Sincerity and the Second Person: Lyric After Language Poetry," Department of Engish Poetry and Poetics Working Group, University of Michigan, October 2, 2008 (invited lecture).
- "American Poetry in the 21st Century," Department of English, Tel Aviv University, Israel, May 12, 2008 (invited lecture).
- "The American Lyric after Language Poetry," North American Studies Department, University of Lublin, Poland, March 10, 2008 (invited lecture).
- "American Poetry in the 21st Century," Department of English and American Studies, Warsaw University, Poland, April 7, 2008 (invited lecture).
- "Unspeakerly Subjects: The American Lyric after Language Poetry," American Studies Department of the University of Freiburg, Germany, January 28, 2008 (invited lecture).
- "Unspeakerly Subjects: The American Lyric after Language Poetry," The John F. Kennedy Institute for North American Studies, Berlin Free University, Germany, January 22, 2008 (invited lecture).

- "Impersonal Sincerity, Personal Insincerity: Early Modernism and the Critique of Self-Expression," Modernist Studies Association Conference, Long Beach, CA, November 4, 2007 (panel presentation).
- "Subjects R Us: Lyric Speaking After Language Poetry," Poetry and Poetics Workshop, The University of Chicago, October 1, 2007 (invited lecture).
- "Mainstreaming the Avant-Garde: Sincerity and Form in Recent U.S.-Based Poetry," Authenticity and the Lyric Voice, Oxford Brookes University, Oxford, UK, May 13, 2007 (panel presentation).
- "Subjects R Us: Sincerity, Branding, and the Crisis of Form in Recent American Poetry," Loyola University-Chicago, April 27, 2007 (invited lecture).
- "Our Bodies, Our Poems," How to Read. What to Do: The Future of Poetry Criticism. University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, March 4, 2006 (invited presenter).
- "Bodily Inventions: Sex, Gender, and the 'Innovative Necessity' in Women's Avant-Garde Poetry in the U.S.," North American Studies Program Lecture Series, University of Bonn, January 26, 2006 (invited lecture).
- "The New Criticism and Its Materialisms," Modernism and Its Materialisms (seminar), Modernist Studies Association Conference, Chicago, IL, forthcoming November 2005 (seminar participant).
- "The New Cognitivists and the Old, or the New Critical Legacy of the Embodied Mind," Special Session on Brooks and Warren's Understanding Poetry, MLA Convention, Philadelphia, PA, December 29, 2004 (panel presentation).
- "Authorial Inattention: Donald Davidson's Literalism, Jorie Graham's Materialism, and Cognitive Science's Embodied Minds," CLASS (Chicago Literature and Society Seminar), November 6, 2004 (invited lecture).
- "Chinese English for BASIC Speakers: Pound, Zukofsky, Fenollosa," The Louis Zukofsky Centennial Conference at Columbia and Barnard, New York, NY, Sept 18, 2004 (panel presentation).
- "Posthistoricism and Cognitive Theory: The 'New' New Criticism." Rocky Mountain MLA Convention, Missoula, MT, October 9, 2003.
- "Postmodernism's Modernism: Laura (Riding) Jackson and T=H=E N=E=W C=R=I=T=I=C=I=S=M," University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, April 7, 2003 (invited lecture).
- "Literalism, Historicism and the 'Time-Sense' of Modernism," NEMLA Convention, Boston, MA, March 7, 2002, (panel presentation).
- "Modernism's New Literalism," Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, March 5, 2002 (invited lecture).
- "Modernism's New Literalism," University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, November 14, 2002 (invited lecture).
- "Laura Riding and T=H=E N=E=W C=R=I=T=I=C=I=S=M," Chuo University, Tokyo, April 30, 2002 (invited lecture).
- "Gertrude Stein and the Materiality of L=A=N=G=U=A=G=E," Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo, April 28, 2002 (invited panel presentation).

- "Laura Riding and T=H=E N=E=W C=R=I=T=I=C=I=S=M," American Names Society Annual Session, MLA Convention, New Orleans, December, 2001 (panel presentation).
- "The Footstep of Friday": Gertrude Stein and the Question of Identity," Tel-Aviv University, Israel, January, 2001 (invited lecture).
- "Gertrude Stein, Postmodernism, and the Poetics of Naming, or Why 'Rose is a rose is a rose is a rose' Is Not an Instance of Linguistic Indeterminacy," Rice University, Houston, TX, November, 2000 (invited lecture).
- "Gertrude Stein, Postmodernism, and the Poetics of Naming, or Why 'Rose is a rose is a rose is a rose Is Not an Instance of Linguistic Indeterminacy," University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL, November, 2000 (invited lecture).
- "Gertrude Stein, Postmodernism, and the Poetics of Naming, or Why 'Rose is a rose is a rose is a rose Is Not an Instance of Linguistic Indeterminacy," Trinity University, San Antonio, TX, March, 2000 (invited lecture).
- "Gertrude Stein and the Poetics of the Proper Name, or Why 'Rose Is a Rose Is a Rose Is a Rose'"; New York Americanists Colloquium, Columbia University, New York, May 1999 (invited lecture).
- "What Measurement Leaves Behind," Poetic Rhythm and the Question of Measurement (IAMB annual conference), Cornell University; Ithaca, NY; October, 1998 (panel presentation).
- "How Can a Lesbian Be an Adulteress? Marriage and Promiscuity in Gertrude Stein"s Domestic Fictions," Women"s Literature Caucus Session, Rocky Mountain MLA Convention, Salt Lake City, UT October, 1998 (panel presentation).
- ""An Acquaintance with Description': Gertrude Stein and the Problem of Names," American Names Society Annual Session, MLA annual convention, Toronto, Ontario, December, 1997 (panel presentation).
- "Syntax and Sequence: The Politics of Poetic Expansion in Wallace Stevens's 'Canonica,'" Narrative: An International Conference, Gainesville, FL, April, 1997 (panel presentation).
- "Crime and Coincidence: Gertrude Stein"s Epistemology of Detection," Literature Between Philosophy and Cultural Studies, American Comparative Literature Association annual meeting), Notre Dame, IN, April, 1996 (panel presentation).
- "Gertrude Stein's Schoolbook: Reading, Writing and 'Rithmetic in Lucy Church Amiably," Narrative: An International Conference, Park City, Utah, April 20,1995 (panel presentation).

#### **COURSES AND ADVISING**

# University of Illinois at Chicago (2001-present)

#### Graduate courses

Master's Proseminar (500); PhD Proseminar (504); American Literature and Culture (527); Poetry and Poetic Theory (437); Developments in Contemporary Poetry (453); Manifest Modernism: Major Poets and Statements 1912-1942

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(455); Canons of the Avant-Garde: Controversies in (Post)Modern Poetics (583); The Past Decade: American Poetry 1998-2008 (579); The Past Decade: Poetic Labor and Innovation (579); Modernist American Poetry (527); American Poetry in the Modernist Period (427); Theory, Rhetoric, and Aesthetics: American Poetry and Political Economy in the 21st Century (507); Poetries of Resistance, Post 2008 (437); The Past Decade: The Poetics of the Commmons versus the Poetics of the Public (579), Modernism before and after Postmodernism (540)

# Graduate advising

PhD Thesis advising (director): project on MFA Programs and their politics; project on dialect and translation in Latin@ and African-American Literature from the 1890s to the present; project on modernist doctrine, political economy, and utopian community.

PhD Thesis advising(co-director): original poetry manuscript

MA Thesis advising (thesis director): Henry Miller and theory of authorship; Ben Lerner and the poetics of (in)determinacy

PhD Preliminary Examinations in: modern and contemporary poetry, modern American poetry, modern American and British poetry; experimental women's poetry; modern and contemporary women's poetry; materialism and poetics; postmodernism and poetics, proletarian poetry; theories of the lyric

# Undergraduate courses

Introduction to Literary Study and Critical Methods (240); American Literature and Culture (109); English and American Poetry (103); Introduction to American Literature: Beginnings to 1914 (243); Literature and Science (395); Introduction to Literary Theory and Criticism (300), Studies in Poetry, Early Ballads to the 21st Century (303), Contemporary American Literature 1980-Present (327)

#### Undergraduate advising

I have served as Fellow of the Honors College since 2005.

Honors Thesis advising (thesis director) on: Gertrude Stein and the theory of proper names; history and temporality in the poetry of Evie Shockley

Undergraduate independent study advising on: Italian futurism and Mina Loy; Marianne Moore and feminine agency; concepts of post-identity in 21st-century African American Poetry; uses of the face and facial recognition in Tao Lin; Sentence Diagramming in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Classroom (LASURI awardee)

# Cornell University (1998-2001)

# Graduate courses

The Stein Era? Postmodernism and the Canonization of Gertrude Stein

# Graduate advising

Dissertation advising (second reader) on Stein and theories of spectatorship

## Undergraduate courses

The American Literary Tradition; The Modern Novel; Literature and Science; The European Novel; American Literature and Culture; Critical Reading and Writing: Sex and the Single Girl from Sister Carrie to Carrie Bradshaw

# Undergraduate advising

Senior and Honors Thesis advising on: F. Scott Fitzgerald"s Tender Is the Night and Freudian theories of transference; Virginia Woolf and Anton Chekhov; Zane Grey, Mormons, and traffic in women; Margaret Atwood"s Surfacing and the metaphorization of abortion in contemporary literature and culture; contemporary Japanese-American literature and the transmission of memory; Toni Morrison's Sula and female friendship

# Georgetown University (1996-1998)

Courses taught: Critical Reading and Writing; American Modernism; Expository Writing

# The Johns Hopkins University (1993-1997)

Courses taught: Practical Composition; Advanced Practical Composition; Two Cultures: 20th-Century American Literature and Science

#### ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

#### National and International

MSA 2021 conference co-organizer (November 2018-present)

Editorial Board founding member, nonsite.org (2010-present)

Book and article manuscript review: Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Stanford University Press, University of Minnesota Press, Dover Publications, Thomson-Wadsworth, PMLA, Criticism, Feminist Studies, South Atlantic Review, Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature, Modern Language Studies, Textual Practice, a/b Autobiography Studies, Genre

Faculty promotion/tenure reviews: UCLA, Kansas City Art Institute Fellowship and grant proposal review: Polish-US Fulbright Commission, **European Science Foundation** 

#### College- and University-wide

Institute for the Humanities Executive Committee (2015-present)

Search Committee member, Director of the School of Art and Art History, College of Architecture and the Arts (2011-2012)

Selection Committee member, LAS Faculty Research Award, Institute for the

Humanities (2011-2012)

Honors Fellow, UIC Honors College (2005-2007, 2008-present)

Honors College Honors Council (2009-2011)

Small Buildings Group Renovation Planning Committee (2006-2007)

Summer Reading Program, Campus Housing (2005-2007)

Humanities and Fine Arts Panel, Illinois Board of Higher Ed Articulation Initiative (2005-2007)

UIC Freshman Convocation Committee (2005-2007)

Co-Chair, Germanic Studies Head Search, UIC College of LAS (2005-2006)

UIC Reading Series Committee (2001-2003)

# Departmental

English Department Teaching Committee (2015-present)

English Department NTT Promotion Committee (2015-present)

English Department Visiting Writers Committee (2014-present)

English Department Steering Committee (2013-2015)

English Department Search Committee for Full/Senior Associate Professor (2013-2014)

English Undergraduate Committee (Fall 2012)

Day at UIC Planning Committee (2006-2007)

Judge, Goodnow Prize for Poetry, UIC English Dept (2006)

Chair, Creative Writing (Fiction/Nonfiction) Search Committee, UIC English Dept (2005-2006)

Associate Director of Graduate Studies, UIC English Dept (2005-2007)

Creative Writing (Poetry) Search Committee, UIC English Department (2004-2005)

Graduate Placement Director, UIC English Dept (2002-2006)

Graduate Committee (including graduate admissions), UIC English Dept (2002-2007)

English Department Colloquium Coordinator, UIC English Dept (2002-2005)

Asian-American Studies Search Committee, UIC English Dept (2001-2002)

Robert and Corinne Silver Award Committee, UIC English Dept (2002)

Graduate Job Placement Officer, Cornell University English Dept (2000-2001)

Graduate Policy and Curriculum Committee, Cornell University English Dept (1999-2000)

Mentor, Mellon Minority Summer Research Program, Cornell University (Summer 2000)

Courseleader, John S. Knight Writing Program, Cornell University (2000)

Moses Coyt Tyler Prize Committee, Cornell University (1999-2001)

Fellowship Application Reader, Cornell Society for the Humanities (1998-2000)

Faculty Fellow, Cornell University Campus Life Programs (1998-2000)

Graduate Admissions Committee, Cornell University English Dept (1999)

Buttrick-Crippen Graduate Research Fellowship Prize Committee, Cornell University (1999)

Visiting Lectures Committee, Cornell University English Dept (1998-99)

Other professional service
Vice President-Chief Steward, UIC United Faculty IFT-AFT-AAUP-AFL-CIO Local 6456 (2014-2016)

Pre-Certification Organizing Committee, UIC United Faculty (2010-2014)