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EDUCATION

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2023-Present

MFA, Playwriting

- Anticipated completion: Spring 2026

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2018-Spring 2022

BA, Majors in English & Creative Writing and Screenwriting Arts; Minors in Theater and Cinematic Arts

- GPA: 3.91/4.0
- Dean's List Fall 2018-Spring 2021; President's List Fall 2021-Spring 2022

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Rhetoric Instructor, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Summer 2024-Present

- Curated reading lists and developed lesson plans to comply with course curriculum guidelines
- Taught biweekly 20-student classes for RHET:1030, required for all undergraduate students
- Evaluated formal assignments to meet course learning objectives around reading, speaking, and writing

Playwriting Instructor, Iowa Young Writers Studio, Iowa City, IA

Summer 2025

- Designed and taught two-week course for local and international high-school Playwrights
- Facilitated workshop feedback sessions to promote critical thinking, joyful artistic impulse, and provide positive encouragement for the playwright

Producer & Artistic Director, The University of Iowa Big Ballroom Extravaganza, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2024

- Hired drag artists, musicians, and crew members to curate a diverse performer setlist
- Created marketing materials and managed creative team of designers and stage managers

Playmaker Project Teaching Artist, Riverside Theater, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2023 - Summer 2025

- Co-taught afterschool and summer playwriting workshops for elementary schoolers to better understand playwriting, theater, and new play development
- Assisted students in writing and developing six-minute plays for public performance
- Directed ten student-written plays with professional actors, rehearsals, and several shows

Between the Lines Camp Counselor, The International Writing Program, Iowa City, IA

Summer 2024

- Facilitated daily arts and writing activities for a group of twenty high-school aged students to promote creativity and cultural exchange between local and international students
- Enforced quiet hours and performed nightly room checks to ensure student safety

Graduate Teaching Assistant, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2023-Summer 2024

- Led discussion sections for THTR:2411 and 2412 History of Theater and Drama to help students better engage and think critically about the texts
- Took attendance, graded weekly assignments and cumulative exams

Emergency Rental Assistance Coordinator, Physicians CareConnection, Columbus, OH

Fall 2022-Summer 2023

- Facilitated conversations between tenants and landlords to prevent eviction filings
- Assisted up to 32 clients a week in completing applications for rental and utility assistance programs

Resident Advisor, University of Iowa Housing & Dining, Iowa City, IA

Summer 2019-Summer 2022

- Managed dorm floor of 50+ college freshman to provide academic and mental health support
- Responded to mental health crises and medical emergencies for dorm of 900+ residents
- Facilitated structured conversations with residents to cultivate an inclusive community

AWARDS

Theatre Summer Research Support Award, The University of Iowa Department of Theater Arts

Summers 2024 & 2025

- 2025: Awarded a monetary grant to study sexual expression and feminist pornography in Portland, Oregon and the Kinsey Institute, culminating in the development of a new play
- 2024: Awarded a monetary grant to study drag and queer history in New York City, culminating in the development of a new musical

Julie Jensen Full-Length Play Award, Kennedy Center Theater Festival, Des Moines, IA

Winter 2025

- Honorable Mention for the play *Flashes: A Fantasy Play*

- Norman Felton Playwriting Scholarship**, *The University of Iowa Department of Theater Arts* Fall 2024 - Spring 2025
- For living expenses and fees associated with the Iowa Playwrights Workshop
- UIF David & Jean Schaal Scholarship**, *The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA* Fall 2023 - Summer 2024
- For living expenses and fees associated with the Iowa Playwrights Workshop
- Rosa Parks Playwriting Award**, *Kennedy Center Theater Festival, Des Moines, IA* Winter 2024
- Recognizes the outstanding student or faculty-written play on the subject of social justice and/or civil rights for the play *Leeches*
- Nathan Louis Jackson Playwriting Award**, *Kennedy Center Theater Festival, Des Moines, IA* Winter 2024
- Recognizes the outstanding full-length play written by a student of color, on the subject of family and community for the play *Leeches*
- UI National Scholars Award**, *The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA* Fall 2018-Spring 2022
- Scholarship based on outstanding academic merit and exceptional promise at the University of Iowa

STAGED WORKS

- Drag'daLore: The Musical Ballroom Epic**, *The University of Iowa Reading Series, Iowa City, IA* Fall 2025
- Go!**, *Iowa New Play Festival Reading Series, Iowa City, IA* Spring 2025
- Flashes: A Fantasy Play**, *The University of Iowa Gallery Series, Iowa City, IA* Fall 2024
- Leeches**, *Iowa New Play Festival Reading Series, Iowa City, IA* Spring 2024
- The Outcloset**, *Iowa New Play Festival Undergraduate Reading Selections, Iowa City, IA* Spring 2022

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Master Builder**, *Ohio LEGO User Group (LUG), Columbus, OH* Fall 2022-Spring 2024
- Built original Lego models and helped organize Lego displays for local museums, libraries, and schools
 - Led Lego building workshops and acted as a judge at Deer Run Elementary Lego building competition
 - Awarded second prize in statewide adult Legoland building competition
 - Contestant candidate for Fox's *Lego Masters* Season 2
- Volunteer Dungeon Master**, *Science Center of Iowa Makers Fair, Des Moines, IA* Fall 2023
- Ran hour-long Dungeons and Dragons adventure modules for kids aged 8-18
 - Helped kids create D&D characters for roleplay activities to promote growth and creative development
- Club President**, *Iowa Quidditch Club, The University of Iowa* Fall 2018-Spring 2022
- Managed club funds, paperwork, team rosters, and social media pages to adhere with university guidelines
 - Promoted gender inclusivity for Quidditch as a co-ed sport
 - Led "Kidditch" events to teach elementary school kids how to play Quidditch
 - Led a fundraising initiative which sold over \$800 in Quidditch merchandise and apparel