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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2020 – Present Associate Professor, Department of Communication and Master of Development Practice
Regis University, Denver, Colorado
- 2015 – 2020 Assistant Professor, Department of Communication
Regis University, Denver, Colorado
- 2012 – 2015 Roy H. Park Doctoral Fellow, Hussman School of Journalism and Media
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

EDUCATION

- 2015 Ph.D. in Journalism and Mass Communication, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
*Certificate in international development
- 2010 M.A. in International and Intercultural Communication, University of Denver
*Concentration in human rights
- 2009 B.S. in Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Colorado, Boulder
*Concentration in advertising

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- Sobel Cohen, M.**, & McIntyre, K. (2023). *Press Freedom and the (Crooked) Path Toward Democracy: Lessons from journalists in East Africa*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Sobel, M.** (2018). *Sex Trafficking and the Media: Perspectives from Thailand and the United States*. London: Routledge Press.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Sobel Cohen, M.**, McIntyre, K., Semujju, B., Ileri, K., & Munyarukumbuzi, E. (2023). Demographic Differences in Digital News Literacy in East Africa. *African Journalism Studies*, 43(3), 51–67. DOI: 10.1080/23743670.2022.2139277
- McIntyre, K. & **Sobel Cohen, M.** (2022). Journalistic role orientations in Rwanda, Uganda and Kenya. *International Communication Gazette*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/17480485221141608>
- Sobel Cohen, M.** (2022). Africa Rising? A Meta-Analysis of Published Communication Scholarship. *International Journal of Communication*, 16, 3191–3214.

Sobel Cohen, M. (2022). Press freedom in 10 African nations: Citizen attitudes and global rankings. *International Communication Gazette*, 84(1), 24–43. DOI: 10.1177/1748048520972963

Sobel Cohen, M., Riffe, D., Kim, S. (2021). Media and Money: A 50-year analysis of international news coverage and U.S. foreign aid. *Journal of International Communication*, 27(2), 172–191. doi.org/10.1080/13216597.2021.1929391

Adams, K., Riffe, D., **Sobel Cohen, M.**, & Kim, S. (2021). “Newsmaker-in-Chief”? U.S. Presidents’ Foreign Policy Priorities and International News Coverage, from LBJ to Obama. *International Communication Research Journal*, 56(1), 10–25

Sobel Cohen, M., & McIntyre, K. (2021). Tweeter-in-Chief: Rwandan President Paul Kagame’s use of Twitter. *Journal of African Media Studies*, 13(1), 17–33. doi.org/10.1386/jams_00031_1

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel Cohen, M.** (2021). Public Trust in State-Run News Media in Rwanda. *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly*, 98(3), 808–827. doi.org/10.1177/1077699021998647 ***Finalist for 2021 JMCQ Outstanding Article Award**

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel Cohen, M.** (2021). Salary, Suppression, and Spies: Journalistic Challenges in Uganda. *Journalism Studies*, 22(2), 243–261. doi.org/10.1080/1461670X.2020.1852097

Sobel Cohen, M., & McIntyre, K. (2020). Local-language radio stations in Kenya: Helpful or harmful? *African Journalism Studies*, 40(3), 73–88. doi.org/10.1080/23743670.2020.1729830

Sobel Cohen, M., & McIntyre, K. (2020). The State of Press Freedom in Uganda. *International Journal of Communication*, 14, 649–668.

Sobel, M., & McIntyre, K. (2019). The State of Journalism and Press Freedom in Postgenocide Rwanda. *Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly*, 96(2), 558–578. DOI: 10.1177/1077699018782201

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel, M.** (2019). How Rwandan journalists use WhatsApp to Advance Their Profession and Collaborate for the Good of Their Country. *Digital Journalism*, 7(6), 705–724. DOI: 10.1080/21670811.2019.1612261

Sobel, M., Kim, S., & Riffe, D. (2019). The World at War: Three and a Half Decades of New York Times conflict coverage. *Media, War & Conflict*, 13(2), 170–187. DOI: 10.1177/1750635219828763

Sobel, M., & McIntyre, K. (2018). Journalists’ Perceptions of Human Rights Reporting in Rwanda. *African Journalism Studies*, 39(3), 85–104. DOI: 10.1080/23743670.2018.1495659

Riffe, D., Kim, S., & **Sobel, M.** (2018). News Borrowing Revisited: A 50-Year Perspective. *Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly*, 95(4), 909–929. DOI: 10.1177/1077699018754909 ***Finalist for 2018 JMCQ Outstanding Article Award**

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel, M.** (2018). Reconstructing Rwanda: How Rwandan Reporters Use Constructive Journalism to Promote Peace. *Journalism Studies*, 19(14), 1–22.
DOI: 10.1080/1461670X.2017.1326834

Sobel, M., Kim, S. & Riffe, D. (2017). The International News Hole: Still Shrinking and Linking? 25 Years of New York Times Foreign News Coverage. *International Communication Research Journal*, 52(2), 3–27.

Sobel, M., Friedman, B., & Johnston, A. (2017). Sex Trafficking as a News Story: Evolving Structure, Story Elements, and Reporting Strategies. *Journal of Human Trafficking*.
DOI: 10.1080/23322705.2017.1401426

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel, M.** (2017). Motivating news audiences: Shock them or provide them with solutions? *Communication & Society*, 30(1), 39–56.

Sobel, M. (2016). Sex Trafficking in Thai Media: A content analysis of issue framing. *International Journal of Communication*, 10, 6126–6147.

Sobel, M., Riffe, D., & Hester, J.B. (2016). Twitter Diplomacy? A content analysis of eight U.S. Embassies' Twitter feeds. *Journal of Social Media in Society*, 5(2), 75–107.

Sobel, M., & Riffe, D. (2016). Newspapers Use Unnamed Sources Less Often in High-Stakes Coverage. *Newspaper Research Journal*, 37(3), 299–311.

Sobel, M. (2016). Confronting Sex Trafficking: Gender depictions in newspaper coverage from the Former Soviet Republics and the Baltic states. *European Journal of Communication*, 31(2), 152–168. DOI: 10.1177/0267323115612211

Sobel, M., & Riffe, D. (2015). U.S. Linkages in New York Times Coverage of Nigeria, Ethiopia and Botswana (2004-13): Economic and Strategic Bases for News. *International Communication Research Journal*, 50(1), 3–22.

Johnston, A., Friedman, B., & **Sobel, M.** (2015). Framing an Emerging Issue: How U.S. Print and Broadcast News Media Covered Sex Trafficking, 2008-2012. *The Journal of Human Trafficking*, 1(3), 235–254.

Sobel, M. (2015). Female Genital Cutting in the News Media: A content analysis. *International Communication Gazette*, 77(4), 384–405. DOI: 10.1177/1748048514564030

Sobel, M. (2014). Chronicling a Crisis: Media Framing of Human Trafficking in India, Thailand and the United States. *Asian Journal of Communication*, 24(4), 315–332.
DOI:10.1080/01292986.2014.903425

BOOK CHAPTERS

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel, M.** (2019). Who tells the story of Uganda? Cultural and political factors influencing local and international news coverage. In T. DeMars and G. Tait (Eds.), *Narratives of Storytelling: The Complexities of Intercultural Communication* (p. 277–292). Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

Sobel, M. (2017). News Coverage of Female Genital Cutting: A seven country comparative study. In S. Waisbord and H. Tumber (Eds.), *Routledge Companion to Media and Human Rights*. New York, NY: Routledge.

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW/REVISION

Semuju, B., **Sobel Cohen, M.**, Munyarukumbuzi, E., McIntyre, K., & Ileri, K. (Under revision). A Geo-cultural Approach to Media Literacy: Introducing the Digital Media Literacy Spectrum. *The Communication Review*.

Sobel Cohen, M., & Mwaura, J. (Under review). “You cannot sway them with logic”: Journalists’ responses to public support for censorship in Kenya. *International Journal of Communication*.

Sobel Cohen, M., Mwaura, J., & McIntyre, K. (Under review). Advantages of Citizen Journalism Over Mainstream Media: A case study in Kenya. *Journalism*.

McIntyre, K., **Sobel Cohen, M.**, Semuju, B., Ileri, K., & Munyarukumbuzi, E. (Under review). Misinformation literacy of COVID-19 digital news in Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda. *African Journalism Studies*.

Semuju, B., McIntyre, K., **Sobel Cohen, M.**, Ileri, K., & Munyarukumbuzi, E. (Under review). Examining Demographic Digital Media Literacy among Women in Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda. *Journal of African Media Studies*.

Mwaura, J., & **Sobel Cohen, M.** (Under Review). Harassment and Threats Faced by Journalists in Kenya: Implications for Press Freedom and Independent Reporting. In T. Tshuma, M. Msimanga, T. Matsilele, & S. Jamil. (Eds.), *Journalism in Precarity: Trends and Patterns of Journalists’ Harassment in the Global South*. Routledge.

Ileri, K., Munyarukumbuzi, E., McIntyre, K., Semuju, B., & **Cohen, M.** (Under Review). Covid 19: A Comparative Survey on Dis- and Misinformation in Three Eastern Africa Nations. In D. Thussu & S. Roy (eds.), *The Handbook of Communication and Media in the Global South*. London: Routledge.

EXTERNAL GRANTS

2020 *Foundational Integrity Research: Misinformation and polarization, Facebook*
External Proposal, PI
Digital Literacy in East Africa: A three country comparative study. Funded \$70,000.

2019 *Emerging Scholars Grant, AEJMC*
External Proposal, Co-PI (with Dr. Karen McIntyre)
The Role of the Media in Post-conflict Development in Three East African Nations. Funded \$3,500.

2014 *Graduate Student Travel Grant., AEJMC*
Funding to travel to annual conference in Montreal, Canada. Funded \$750.

INTERNAL GRANTS

2023 *Faculty Development Committee Summer Grant, Regis University*
Internal proposal, PI
Media and Democratization in East Africa, PI, Funded \$3,000

2021 *University Research and Scholarship Council Grant, Regis University*
Internal proposal, PI
The Role of News Media in Kenyan Democratization, Funded \$3,788

2021 *Regis College Distributive Core Innovation Fund, Regis University*
Internal proposal, Co-PI (along with Kelsey Cameron and Kacie Henderson)
Utilizing High-Impact Practices in a Media Literacy Distributive Core Course, Funded \$3,000

2018 *Provost Scholar Grant, University Research and Scholarship Council, Regis University*
Internal proposal, PI
Media trust and media development in Rwanda, Funded \$5,000

2018 *Faculty Development Committee Summer Grant, Regis University*
Internal proposal, PI
Media Development in Uganda, PI, Funded \$3,000

2017 *Faculty Development Committee Summer Grant, Regis University*
Internal proposal, PI
The role of media in the post-genocide reconstruction of Rwanda, Funded \$1,000

2016 *Institute on the Common Good Faculty Grant, Regis University*
Internal proposal, PI
The role of media in the post-genocide reconstruction of Rwanda, Funded \$600

2014 *Francis J. and Patti Meyer Summer Research Fellowship, UNC Chapel Hill*
Internal proposal, PI
Thai media coverage of sex trafficking, Funded \$4,000

PROFESSIONAL, TRADE, AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

McIntyre, K. & **Sobel Cohen, M.** (2021, March 8). Why working as a journalist in Uganda is particularly tough. *The Conversation*. Retrieved from <https://theconversation.com/why-working-as-a-journalist-in-uganda-is-particularly-tough-156505>

McIntyre, K. & **Sobel, M.** (2019, June 4). What's it like to be a journalist in Rwanda? This is what they told us. *The Conversation*. Retrieved from <https://theconversation.com/whats-it-like-to-be-a-journalist-in-rwanda-this-is-what-they-told-us-117514>

Sobel, M. & McIntyre, K. (2019, April 4). 'A fragile period': Journalism in Rwanda, 25 years after the genocide. *Columbia Journalism Review*. Retrieved from <https://www.cjr.org/watchdog/journalism-rwanda-25-years-after-genocide.php>

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Sobel Cohen, M. *Do media promote development and democratization? Perspectives from journalists in Rwanda, Uganda and Kenya*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2023. Washington, DC.

Sobel Cohen, M., & Mwaura, J. “*You cannot sway them with logic*”: *Journalists’ responses to public support for censorship in Kenya*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2023. Washington, DC.

Munyarukumbuzi, E., Semujju, B., Ileri, K., **Sobel Cohen, M.**, McIntyre, K. *Media Use in Rwanda: Insights and Trends*. Presented at the East African Communication Association (EACA) Conference. August 2022. Bujumbura, Burundi.

McIntyre, K., **Sobel Cohen, M.**, Semujju, B., Ileri, K., & Munyarukumbuzi, E. *Detecting fake news: Exploring the relationship between technological advancement and digital news literacy in Kenya, Uganda and Rwanda*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2022. Detroit, MI.

Sobel Cohen, M., McIntyre, K., Semujju, B., Ileri, K., & Munyarukumbuzi, E. *Digital Media Literacy in East Africa: A comparative study between Rwanda, Uganda and Kenya*. Presented at International Communication Association conference. May 2022. Paris, France.

Sobel Cohen, M. *A Dark Continent? Meta-analysis of communication scholarship focused on African nations*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2021. New Orleans, LA. (*virtual due to COVID-19).

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel Cohen, M.** *The Role of News Media in the Development of Post-Genocide Rwanda*. Presented at Responsible Journalism and Communication conference. September 2020. Sydney, Australia (*virtual due to COVID-19).

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel Cohen, M.** *Press Freedom in East Africa: Perceptions from journalists in Rwanda, Uganda and Kenya*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2020. San Francisco, CA (*virtual due to COVID-19).
International Communication Division African Journalism Studies Top Paper.

Sobel Cohen, M., Riffe, D., Kim, S. *Media and Money: A 50-year analysis of international news coverage and U.S. foreign aid*. Presented at International Communication Association, May 2020. Gold Coast, Australia (*virtual due to COVID-19).

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel Cohen, M.** *In the Press We Trust: Rwandan Citizens Highly Trust State-Run News Media*. Presented at International Communication Association, May 2020. Gold Coast, Australia (*virtual due to COVID-19). **Global Communication and Social Change Division African Journalism Studies Top Paper.**

Sobel Cohen, M., & McIntyre, K. *Tweeter-in-Chief: Rwandan President Paul Kagame’s use of Twitter*. Presented at @frica: Digital Media Conference, February 2020. Houston, TX.

McIntyre, K., & **Sobel, M.** *Journalism practice in Uganda: In a nation transitioning to democracy, challenges remain*. Presented at Future of Journalism, September 2019. Cardiff, UK.

Adams, K., Riffe, D., **Sobel, M.**, & Kim, S. “*Newsmaker-in-Chief*”? *Presidents’ Foreign Policy Priorities and International News Coverage from LBJ to Barack Obama*. Presented at

Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2019. Toronto, Canada.

Adams, K., Riffe, D., **Sobel, M.**, & Kim, S. “Pivoting” With the President's Gaze: *Exploring New York Times Foreign-Policy Coverage Across Nine Administrations*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2018. Washington, DC.

Sobel, M., & McIntyre, K. *Human Rights Reporting in Rwanda: Opportunities and Challenges*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2017. Chicago, Illinois. **International Communication Division African Journalism Studies Top Paper.**

Sobel, M., & McIntyre, K. *Post-Genocide Rwanda: A changing press freedom landscape*. Presented at International Communication Association (ICA). June 2017. San Diego, CA. **Global Communication and Social Change Division Top Paper & Global Communication and Social Change Division African Journalism Studies Top Paper.**

Sobel, M., Kim, S., & Riffe, D. *The World at War: Three and a Half Decades of New York Times conflict coverage*. Presented at International Communication Association (ICA). June 2017. San Diego, CA.

McIntyre, K. & **Sobel, M.** *Reconstructing Rwanda: How Rwandan Reporters Use Constructive Journalism to Promote Peace*. Presented at Constructed | Constructive Journalism Conference. December 2016. Brussels, Belgium.

Sobel, M. *News Coverage of Sex Trafficking: The role of media in combatting human rights abuses*. Presented at American Public Health Association (APHA) conference. October 2016. Denver, Colorado.

Sobel, M., Kim, S. & Riffe, D. *The International News Hole: Still Shrinking and Linking? 25 Years of New York Times Foreign News Coverage*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2016. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Sobel, M. *Human Rights Reporting and Press Freedom in Thailand: The draconian crackdown since the 2014 coup d'état*. Presented at International Communication Association (ICA). June 2016. Fukuoka, Japan.

McIntyre, K. & **Sobel, M.** *Motivating news audiences: Shock them or provide them with solutions?* Presented at International Communication Association (ICA). June 2016. Fukuoka, Japan.

Sobel, M. *A Focus on Sex Trafficking in English-Language Thai Media*. Presented at National Communication Association (NCA). November 2015. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Sobel, M. *Sex Trafficking in Thai Media: A content analysis of issue framing*. Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2015. San Francisco, CA. **International Communication Division Top Faculty Paper.**

Sobel, M. & Cabosky, J. *Angola: war torn country or booming tourist haven? Applying the model of country concept.* Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2015. San Francisco, CA.

Sobel, M., Johnston, A. & Friedman, B. *The Development of Sex Trafficking News Frames: A content analysis.* Presented at National Communication Association (NCA). November 2014. Chicago, Illinois.

Sobel, M. *The Case of Female Genital Cutting: Newspaper Coverage in Ghana, The Gambia, Kenya and the United States.* Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2014. Montreal, Quebec. **International Communication Division Top Student Paper.**

McIntyre, K. & **Sobel, M.** *Positive News Websites and Extroversion: Motives, preferences, and sharing behavior among American and British readers.* Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2014. Montreal, Quebec. **Electronic News Division Top Student Paper.**

Sobel, M. & Riffe, D. *Covering Africa (2004-2013): U.S. Linkages in New York Times coverage of Nigeria, Ethiopia and Botswana.* Presented at Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC). August 2014. Montreal, Quebec.

Sobel, M., Hester, J.B. & Riffe, D. *Twitter Diplomacy: A content analysis of eight U.S. Embassies' Twitter feeds.* Paper presented at International Communication Association (ICA). May 2014. Seattle, Washington.

Johnston, A., Friedman, B. & **Sobel, M.** *Sex Trafficking in the U.S.: Emerging Issues in Research.* Paper presented at International Communication Association (ICA). May 2014. Seattle, Washington.

Sobel, M. *The Virtual Red-Light District: Regulating the online solicitation of minors for commercial sex work.* Paper presented at the Interdisciplinary Conference on Human Trafficking. October 2013. Lincoln, Nebraska.

Sobel, M. *Covering Human Trafficking: A content analysis of sources cited in media coverage in the United States, India and Thailand.* Paper presented at the Interdisciplinary Conference on Human Trafficking. October 2013. Lincoln, Nebraska.

Sobel, M. *Chronicling a Crisis: Media Framing of Human Trafficking.* Paper presented at Global Fusion Conference 2013. October 2013. Carbondale, Illinois.

Sobel, M. *Competing Coverage: The Greensboro Massacre through the eyes of three divergent newspapers.* Paper presented at American Journalism Historians Association. September 2013. New Orleans, Louisiana.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Sobel Cohen, M. *Quantitative Content Analysis.* Knowledge Hub Research Seminar Series, University of Nigeria Mass Communication Department. October, 2022.

Sobel, M. *Benefits and challenges of doing international fieldwork.* UNC Chapel Hill School of Media and Journalism Spring Research Colloquium. May 2019. Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Sobel, M. *Privilege and Sex Trafficking: How understanding our privilege can aid in combatting this and other human rights abuses.* Presented at TEDxMileHigh. October 2016. Denver, Colorado.

Sobel, M. *Sex Trafficking in Thailand: Realities and Myths.* Presented at 11th Annual CSI Conference on Human Trafficking. November 5, 2016. Denver, Colorado.

Sobel, M. *Human Rights Journalism: Challenges for journalists.* Virginia Commonwealth University. March 2016. Richmond, Virginia.

Sobel, M. *The role of news media and communication technologies in fighting sex trafficking in Thailand.* Butler University. November 2015. Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sobel, M. *The Case of Female Genital Cutting: Newspaper Coverage in Ghana, The Gambia, Kenya and the United States.* Paper presented at the University of North Carolina Spring Research Colloquium. May 2014. Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Sobel, M. & Wu Zhu, J. *Dowry Death: A legal and journalistic perspective.* Paper presented at Subaltern Peoples: Comparative experiences of African Americans, Dalits and Tribals Conference. April 2014. Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.

Sobel, M. *The role of online communication technologies in perpetuating sex trafficking.* Presented at Reporting Sex Trafficking, Poynter Institute and McCormick Foundation reporting institute. November 2013. Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Sobel, M. *Examining the Current Human Trafficking Situation in Thailand.* Presented at Not For Sale Denver meeting. January 2012. Denver, Colorado.

Sobel, M. *Media Coverage of Human Trafficking in America.* Presented at Human Trafficking Day 2011. November 2011. Denver Public Library, Denver, Colorado.

TEACHING RECORD

Instructor of record:

Regis University:

COM 250: Speaking to Make a Difference
COM 251: Media Literacy
COM 306: Introduction to Public Relations
COM 311: Business and Professional Communication
COM 381: Communication Research Methods
COM 416: Public Relations
COM 416A: Principles of Public Relations
COM 416B: Strategic Public Relations
COM 460: Crisis Communication
COM 471: International Communication
COM 498: Internship in Communication
DP 660: Communication for Development

RCC 200: Writing Analytically: Critical Media & Human Rights
RCC 420J: Global Human Rights Advocacy
RCC 420H: Justice for All

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill:

JOMC 141: Professional Problems and Ethics
JOMC 446: International Communication

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2012 – 2012 Public Affairs, U.S. Department of State/USAID
Lilongwe, Malawi
- 2011 – 2012 Research and Communication, Cook & Company
Denver, Colorado
- 2011 – 2011 Advocacy, Not For Sale
Chiang Mai, Thailand
- 2010 – 2011 Project management, SDL International
Superior, Colorado
- 2010 – 2010 Communication, International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, Aurora, Colorado
- 2008 – 2008 Public relations, Barnett Ellman Public Relations
Beverly Hills, California
- 2007 – 2008 Public relations and event planning, Seven on Pearl
Boulder, Colorado

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

- 2022 – 2023 Chair, University Research and Scholarship Council, Regis University
- 2019 – 2022 Member, University Research and Scholarship Council, Regis University
- 2016 – present Member, Academic Integrity Board, Regis University
- 2018 – present Faculty Title XI Advisor, Regis University
- 2018 – 2022 Member, Honors Advisory Council, Regis University
- 2020 – 2021 Member, Regis College Faculty Compensation Subcommittee
- 2016 – 2018 Communication Department Representative, Faculty Senate, Regis University
- 2016 – 2019 Member, Faculty Development Committee, Regis University
- 2016 – 2018 Member, Fall Faculty Conference Planning Committee, Regis University
- 2016 – 2017 Faculty Delegate, Opus Prize, Regis University
- 2014 – 2015 Member, planning committee for Junck Colloquium Series, UNC
- 2014 - 2013 Student mentoring program coordinator for incoming PhD students, UNC

THESIS/DISSERTATION SUPERVISION

- Stellenbosch University, South Africa, Ph.D. dissertation: Barbara Fölscher-Kingwill, “*The manifestation and potential of constructive journalism in South African digital news*” (2023, examiner)

- *Regis University master's in development practice theses: Jean Jacques Iradukunda, "She Can Code: Women's technical education in Rwanda"* (2020/2021, advisor)
- *Regis University master's in development practice theses: Karoli Kolokonyi, "Soft Skills and Employability in Rwanda"* (2020, reader)
- *Regis University undergraduate Honors Theses: Elizabeth Arellano, "A Story About Modern Slavery: How to Combat Domestic Servitude"* (2017/2018, advisor)

SERVICE TO THE FIELD

2021 – 2022 Teaching Standards Chair, International Communication Division, AEJMC
 2020 – 2021 Committee on the Status of Women Liaison, International Communication Division, AEJMC
 2017 – 2019 Digital Chair, International Communication Division, AEJMC

EDITORIAL

Reviewer, Journalism Practice (2018, 2020, 2023)
Reviewer, Journalism Studies (2023, 2021, 2020)
Reviewer, International Journal of Communication (2022)
Reviewer, Journal of Public Affairs (2021)
Reviewer, Journalism (2021)
Reviewer, Journal of Human Trafficking (2021, 2015)
Reviewer, International Communication Gazette (2021x2, 2020)
Reviewer, African Journalism Studies (2020)
Reviewer, International Communication division, AEJMC (2016-2023)
Reviewer, Global Communication and Social Change division, ICA (2016-2023)
Reviewer, Media, War & Conflict (2019)
Reviewer, International Communication Research Journal (2018)
Reviewer, Chinese Journal of Communication (2017)
Reviewer, Rocky Mountain Communication Association (2018, 2017)
Reviewer, Mass Communication and Society division, AEJMC (2015, 2014)
Reviewer, Global Fusion Conference (2014)
Reviewer, PLOS One Academic Journal (2014)

POPULAR PRESS CITATIONS

Cited in "Covering sex trafficking: Journalists can do better." *Columbia Journalism Review*, Aug. 12, 2014 http://www.cjr.org/behind_the_news/covering_sex_trafficking_journ.php?page=1

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2018-2019 Regis University Provost Scholar
- 2017-2018 Regis University Scholarship Award
- 2015 Minnie S. & Eli A. Rubinstein Research Award for the dissertation deemed most meritorious in design and potential policy significance in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at UNC
- William Francis Clingman Jr. Ethics Award, 2014
- William Francis Clingman Jr. Ethics Award, 2013
- UNC Representative to Young Journalists Program in Germany, November 2013
- UNC Press Delegation Representative to European Union Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, April 2013
- Roy H. Park Doctoral Fellow, support for 3 years of doctoral study, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, 2012 - 2015

AFFILIATIONS

- Association for Education of Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)
 - International Communication Division
- International Communication Association (ICA)
 - Global Communication and Social Change Division