

# CURRICULUM VITA

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## I. RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Instructional/Classroom Communication, Nonverbal Communication, Intercultural Communication, Interpersonal Communication, Small Group Communication

## II. EDUCATION

Ph.D. Communication, University of Southern Mississippi, 1986.

M.Ed. Administration & Supervision, McNeese State University, 1980.

B. A. Speech Education, McNeese State University, 1978.

## III. EMPLOYMENT

Associate Dean, College of Humanities & Social Sciences, and Professor, Speech Communication Department, Sam Houston State University, July 2006 to present.

Interim Dean, College of Humanities & Social Sciences, and Professor, Speech Communication Department, Sam Houston State University, June 2005 to July 2006.

Interim Dean, College of Humanities & Social Sciences, and Associate Professor, Speech Communication Department, Sam Houston State University, June 2004 to June 2005.

Associate Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, & Associate Professor, Program in Speech Communication, Sam Houston State University, June 1999 to present.

Associate Professor & Program Coordinator, Program in Speech Communication, Sam Houston State University, August 1993 to June 1999.

Assistant Professor & Program Coordinator, Program in Speech Communication, Sam Houston State University, August 1990 to July 1993.

Assistant Professor, Director of Forensics, Program in Speech Communication, Sam Houston State University, August 1987 to July 1990.

Speech Department Chair, Speech & English Instructor, Westlake (LA) High School, August 1985 to May 1987.

Visiting Lecturer, Communication & Theatre Department, McNeese State University, Spring 1987, Spring & Fall 1986.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Speech Communication Department, University of Southern Mississippi, Spring 1985.

Graduate Teaching Assistant & Forensics Director, Speech Communication Department, University of Southern Mississippi, 1984.

Graduate Teaching Assistant & Assistant Forensics Director, Speech Communication Department, University of Southern Mississippi, 1983-84.

Speech, English, and Drama Instructor, Lake Charles (LA) High School, 1979-83.

Speech Instructor, Washington High School, Lake Charles, LA, Spring semester, 1979.

## **IV. RESEARCH**

### **A. Publications**

Ragsdale, J. D., Bello, R. S., Brandau-Brown, F., Thibodeaux, . M., Chapman, B. R. (2007) European museums as visual persuasion: A typological approach. *Intercultural Communication Studies*, XVI(2), 145-157.

Bello, R., Ragsdale, J. D., Brandau-Brown, F. E., & Thibodeaux, T. (2006). Cultural perceptions of equivocation and directness II: A replication and extension of the dimensional hypothesis. *Intercultural Communication Studies*, XV(2), 23-32.

Bello, R., Brandau-Brown, F., Ragsdale, J. D., & Thibodeaux, T. (2004). Toward an alternate approach to the teaching of intercultural exchange and negotiation: The application of universal communication axioms. *Competition Forum*, 2, 571-582.

Bello, R., Ragsdale, J. D., Brandau-Brown, F. E., & Thibodeaux, T. (accepted November 2004, in press). Cultural perceptions of equivocation and directness: Dimensional or unique? *Intercultural Communication Studies*.

- Ragsdale, J. D., Brandau-Brown, F. E., & Thibodeaux, T. M. (2004). Using intercultural communication theory to build bridges between nations. In R. J. Meyer (Ed.), *Perspectives in Higher Education Reform*, Alliance of Universities for Democracy & American University.
- Ragsdale, J. D., Brandau-Brown, F. E., & Thibodeaux, T. M. (2004). Promoting democratic citizenship through public communication training. In R. J. Meyer (Ed.), *Perspectives in Higher Education Reform*, Alliance of Universities for Democracy & American University.
- Book Chapter, "Oral Presentations," in R. F. Lunsford and B. Bridges (2002), The Longwood Guide to Writing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, New York: Longman.
- "Is There a Need for More Speech Teachers?: A Survey of Texas Secondary Schools," (2001), Texas Speech Communication Journal, 26, 38-42.
- Book Chapter, "Oral Reports," in D. Dowdey, B. Jones, and K. Pannell (1998), TR5: An Introduction to Research Writing (pp. 239-256) Needham Heights, MA Simon & Schuster.
- Communication Education: Effective Communication for the Teacher. (1991). Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt.
- "Classroom Communication Climate: The Development and Testing of a Measure of Nonverbal Communication in the Classroom," (1986), ERIC/RCS (ED 264 612). Resources in Education.
- "Nonverbal Sensitivity in the College Classroom: Toward Optimum Classroom Communication Climate." ERIC/RCS (ED 258 301). Resources in Education. November 1985.

## **1. Under Review**

- Brandau-Brown, F. E., Thibodeaux, T. M., Chapman, B. R., Bello, R. S., & Ragsdale, J. D. (2004). The role of leadership in civic education and advancement. AUDEM, Pecs, Hungary. *Perspectives in Higher Education Reform*.
- Chapman, B. R., Ragsdale, J. D., Brandau-Brown, F. E., Thibodeaux, T. M., and Bello, R. S. (2004). Integrating environmental education and biodiversity into the university curriculum. AUDEM, Pecs, Hungary. *Perspectives in Higher Education Reform*.
- Ragsdale, J. D., Bello, R. S., Brandau-Brown, F. E., & Thibodeaux, T. M. (2004). Instituting communication training in business and technical education. AUDEM, Pecs, Hungary. *Perspectives in Higher Education Reform*.

## **2. Book Review**

Classroom Discourse: The Language of Teaching and Learning, by Courtney B. Cazden, Southern Communication Journal, 55, (No. 4), Summer 1990.

## **3. Convention Papers**

"Cajun Equivocation: Aging Cajuns' Use of Equivocal Messages in Oral Histories," Southern States Communication Association, Tampa, FL, April 2004.

"Methods of Encouraging Increased Faculty Use of Technology in the Classroom," Southern States Communication Association, Winston-Salem, NC, April 2002

"Acadia West: Cajuns at the Crossroads," Writing Across the Curriculum national convention, Houston, TX, February 2002

Teacher to Administrator: Gender and Multi-cultural Perspectives and Issues," Texas Speech Communication Association, El Paso, October, 2001

Respondent for "How We Communicate Both In and Out of the Classroom: Effective Teaching and Learning Strategies," Southern States Communication Association, Lexington, KY, April 8, 2001

"Tastes and Taboos in Different Cultures: A Critique of a Unique Videotape," Southern States Communication Association, Lexington, KY, April 8, 2001

"Cajuns: Recording the History of a Dynamic People," Southern States Communication Association, Lexington, KY, April 6, 2001

"Faculty Professional Development: Inservice and Beyond," Texas Speech Communication Association, Houston, TX, October 7, 2000

"Supplementing Communication Courses with the Internet," Texas Speech Communication Association, Houston, TX, October 6, 2000

"Storytelling in Cajun Music: An Analysis of Patterns, Metaphor, and Meaning," (with Louis Rosso), Southern States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX, April 2, 1998

Panelist (with Charles Capps, Patricia Capps, and Mary Evelyn Collins) for "Experiencing Gender Patterns in Organizational Communication," Southern States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX, April 2, 1998

Discussion Panelist, "Speech Communication at Selected Texas Institutions," Texas Speech Communication Association, San Antonio, TX, October 10, 1997.

- Using Video in a Nonverbal Exercise for the Basic Course,” in research panel  
 “Reinventing the Basic Course: New Territory and Fresh Approaches,”  
 National Communication Association, Chicago, IL, November 22, 1997.
- “Approval and Preliminary Success Offering Mentorship Course,” Southern  
 States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX, April 2, 1998.
- “The Cultural Ecology of Southern Louisiana in Ernest J. Gaines’ *A Lesson  
 Before Dying*,” Southern States Communication Association, Savannah,  
 GA, April 3-6, 1997.
- Seminar Presentation: “Cajun Narratives: Preserving a Unique American  
 Subculture; Projecting Diversity in Cultural Background to the Classroom,”  
 in seminar: *Beyond Anthropology; The Communication Scholar and  
 Investigation of American Subcultures—Applications, Strategies,  
 Preservation and Change*,” Southern States Communication Association,  
 Memphis, TN, March 27-30, 1996
- “Cajun Music: Cultural Evolution as Reflected by the Music of a Regional  
 Culture,” Southern States Communication Association, Memphis, TN,  
 March 27-30, 1996.
- “From Cajun to Zydeco to ZydeCajun: The Reflection of an Evolving Sub-  
 culture in its Music,” in panel: “Of Gullah Words and Cajun Songs:  
 Experiencing the Rhetorical Power of Two Southern Sub-Cultures,”  
 Southern States Communication Association, New Orleans, LA, April  
 1995.
- “Ongoing Rhetorical Studies of Specific Regional Cultures: Cajun French,”  
 Southern States Communication Association, Norfolk, VA, April 1994.
- “Basic Values and Self-Responsibility in the Speech For Teachers Curriculum,”  
 Speech Communication Association, Miami, FL, November, 1993.
- “Cajun Prayer as Presented in Media,” Speech Communication Association,  
 Miami, FL, November, 1993.
- “Cultural Presentation in Different Sites: Film, Geography, Coded Talk,  
 Mediators, and a Transitional Housing Program” (panel chair), Southern  
 States Communication Association, Lexington, KY, April 1993.
- “Student Presentations in Rhetoric and Communication Theory” (chair &  
 moderator), Texas Speech Communication Association, Waco, October  
 1992.
- “Workshop on Exploratory Research in the Classroom: Guidelines and Pitfalls”  
 (planner and coordinator) Texas Speech Communication Association,  
 Waco, October 1992.
- “Bilingual Public Education,” Southern States Communication Association, San  
 Antonio, TX, April 1992.
- “Defining Classroom Communication Climate: A Revision, Replication, and  
 Confirmation,” Southern States Communication Association, San  
 Antonio, TX, April 1992.

- “Minimal Interventions: Classroom Management using Nonverbal and Interpersonal Strategies,” Texas Speech Communication Association, Lubbock, October 1991.
- “Politically Correct Speech: Enlightened Multi-Culturalism or Institutional Censorship?” Texas Speech Communication Association, Lubbock, October, 1991.
- “Music as a Cultural Medium: Greenbeans, Zydeco, and Other Things (solicited paper), Southern States Communication Association, Tampa, FL, April 1991.
- “Teaching Tools, Tips, and Tidbits: A Variety of Classroom Activities and Ideas” (planner and chair), Southern States Communication Association, Tampa, FL, April 1991.
- “Directions in Debate: A Look at Where the Activity Might be Heading in the 1990’s” (program respondent), Southern States Communication Association, Tampa, FL, April 1991.
- “Speech for the 1990’s Teacher: The Evolving Communication Course for the Education Major,” Texas Speech Communication Association, Galveston, October 1990.
- “Competitive Papers/Research in Progress Reports on Speech Education” (principal planner, reviewer, and chair), Southern States Communication Association, Birmingham, AL, April 1990.
- “Discipline Without Words: Using Nonverbals in Classroom Management,” Southern States Communication Association, Birmingham, AL, April 1990.
- “From Cajun Music to Zydeco: French Music Reflecting Cultural Dialects in Louisiana,” Southern States Communication Association, Birmingham, AL, April 1990.
- “Classroom Communication Climate & Sensitivity to Facial Meaning: An Investigation of Nonverbal Communication in Divergent Classes,” Southern States Communication Association, Memphis, TN, April 1988.
- “Communication Consulting/Training as a Professional Option,” Short Course, Speech Communication Association, Boston, MA, November 1987.
- “The Demise of the Cajun French Language in Louisiana: An Ethnohistorical Assessment,” Southern States Communication Association, St. Louis, MO, April 1987.
- “Classroom Communication Climate: The Development and Testing of a Measure of Nonverbal Communication in the Classroom” (principle author, with Susan A. Siltanen), Speech Communication Association, Denver, CO, November 1986.
- “Nonverbal Sensitivity in the College Classroom: Toward Optimum Classroom Communication Climate,” Southern Speech Communication Association, Winston-Salem, NC, April 1985.

“Effects of Syntax and Context on Children’s Metaphor Comprehension” (with Susan A. Siltanen), Speech Communication Association, Chicago, IL, November 1984.

#### **4. Research Assistant**

Survey Assistant, Health Communication Survey, (for Dr. Linda Goff), 1985.

Director, Telephone Survey, for Hattiesburg American newspaper, “Hometown Newspaper Coverage of Developing Countries,” 1984.

Data Analysis, “Effects of Syntax and Context on Children’s Metaphor Comprehension.” (with Dr. Susan A. Siltanen), 1984.

## **V. SERVICE**

### **1. University**

Member, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Steering Committee, 2003-2004.

Member, Search Committee for Alumni Director, 2004.

Senior Tenured Faculty Member, Speech Communication Department Promotion and Tenure Advisory Committee, 2004.

Invited Speaker, “The Colleges of Arts & Sciences and Humanities and Social Sciences at SHSU,” Freshman Leaders, March 2004.

Member, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Steering Committee, 2003 to 2004.

Presenter, Group Dynamics/Teamwork Workshop, SHSU Women’s Tennis Team, January 21, 2004.

Chair, SCM Faculty Peer Evaluation Committee, 2003-2004.

Academic Advisor, Football Recruit Orientation Program, Department of Athletics, SHSU, 1999-present.

Invited Speaker, “A Celebration of Teaching,” Educator Preparation Division, September 26, 2003.

Senior Tenured Faculty Member, Speech Communication Program, Department Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2003.

Summer Orientation Leader Selection Committee, Spring 2003.

University Retention Committee, 2001 to present.

NCATE Steering Committee, 2001 to present.

Committee to Develop Masters Degree Program in Speech Communication, 2001 to present.

Council of Academic Associate Deans, 2000 to present.

Sammy Award Selection Committee, Office of Student Activities, 2000.

Member, Athletic Advisory Committee, 2000 to 2001.

Tournament Director, Student Speech Communication Association Golf Fund-raising Tournament, April 8, 2000.

Presenter, Scripture Reader Workshop, SHSU Catholic Student Center, March 7, 2000.

Member, Summer Orientation Leader Selection Committee, Office of Student Life, February 2000.

Guest Lecturer, "Cajun and Louisiana Influences on Southeast Texas, in His 339, Texas Crossroads II, February 22, 2000.

Panel member, "Lobby Talk Program," Residence Life Faculty Involvement Program, Estill Hall, February 21, 2000.

Guest Speaker, "Communication and Literacy," Sam Houston Area Reading Educators, January 25, 2000.

Tournament Director, Student Speech Communication Association Golf Fund-raising Tournament, November 20, 1999.

Presenter, "Body Language," Residence Life Faculty Involvement Program, Estill Hall, SHSU, October 5, 1999.

Sponsor, Student Speech Communication Association Fair On the Square Fund-raising Booth, Huntsville, TX, October 2, 1999.

Presenter, "Roommates and Relationships," SHSU Catholic Student Center, August 29, 1999.

Sponsor, Catholic Student Center, SHSU, 1999 to present.

Presenter, "Interracial Relations," SHSU SAMentors Training Workshop, Walker Education Center, August 21, 1999.

Member, Planning Committee for Interdisciplinary Course and Minor in Texas Regional Studies, SHSU, August 1999 to present.

Member, Curriculum Planning Committee for Interdisciplinary degree program in Multi-media Authoring and Communication, SHSU, August 1999 to present.

Commencement Announcer, SHSU Summer Commencement Ceremony, August 14, 2000.

Speech Communication Review for ExCET Exam, for Teacher Education Student Teachers, March 8, 1999.

Program Presenter, "Communication for Road Warriors," at the Texas Association of College Officers of Registrar, Admissions, and Orientation annual meeting, College Station, TX, November 3, 1998.

Program Presenter, "Teachers as Communicators" at Pi Kappa Delta fall conference, SHSU, September 25, 1998.

Seminar Moderator, "Cultural Diversity on Campus," Diversity Action Team, Office of International and Intercultural Services, Office of Student Life, September 23, 1998.

Presented workshop (with Dr. Mary Evelyn Collins) "So You Want Your Students to Give a Speech," for Writing Across the Curriculum Program, SHSU, September 17, 1998.

Member, Departmental Search Committee (for 2 Journalism faculty positions), 1997-98.

Executive Chair, Physical Resources Committee, University Self-Study for SACS Re-Accreditation. January 1998 to May 1999.

Member, Physical Resources Committee, University Self-Study for SACS Re-Accreditation, Chair of Safety & Security Sub-Committee, August-December 1997.

Judge/Moderator, SHSU Academic Challenge Tournaments, Fall 1997 & Spring 1998.

Workshop Presenter, "Effective Leadership," Residence Life Association Staff In-service, August 1997.

Presenter, "Effective Conflict Management," SHSU Gifted, Talented, and Creative Institute, June 20, 1997.

Presenter, "Effective and Assertive Intercultural Communication," SHSU Division of International/Intercultural Services, SAMentors Staff Training, August 23, 1997.

Member, Faculty Developmental Leave Committee, 1996-1998.

Chair, Arts & Sciences Honor Convocation Committee, 1996-97.

Program presenter, "Relationship Skills," Office of Residence Life Faculty Involvement Program, October, 1996.

Mentor, Office of Student Life SAMentors Program, 2 International students, 1996-1998.

Program presenter, "Conflict Management," Para-Professional Training Workshop, Office of Residence Life, August 1995.

Workshop, "Team-building and Effective Group Dynamics" for Student Government Association, May 1996.

Chair, Speech Communication Faculty Search Committee, Division of Public Communication, Fall 1994-Spring 1995.

Member, Arts & Sciences Honor Convocation Committee, Spring 1995-1997.

Member, Student Orientation Leader Selection Committee, Office of Student Life, Spring 1995, 1996, 1997.

Member, RTF Coordinator Search Committee, Division of Public Communication, Fall 1993-Spring 1994.

Member, LSC Board of Directors, Fall 1993-Spring 1995.

General Studies Advisor, College of Arts & Sciences, 1992 to present.

Presenter, "Communication and Conflict," Wesley Foundation Staff Formation Retreat, January 1994.

Presenter, "Communication, Culture, and Conflict," Residence Life Faculty Involvement Program, Estill House, April 1994.

Member, Student Activities Director Search Committee, Office of Student Life, Fall 1993.

Presenter, "Classroom Management Workshop," Office of Student Life, EXCEL Student Enrichment Series, September 1993, 1994, 1995, 1995.

Dean's Representative, Masters Degree Thesis Committee, November 1993

Presenter, "Male-Female Relationships," Residence Life Faculty Involvement Program, Mallon House, November 1993.

Sponsor, SpeakEasies, Student Speech Communication Association, 1990 to present.

## **2. Community**

President, Huntsville Area Tennis Association Board of Directors, 2003 to present.

Member, Huntsville Optimists Club, 2000 to present. Second Vice President, 2002-2003; First Vice President, 2003-2004.

Member, Selection Committee to select Catholic Student Center Director, April-June, 2002.

Sponsor, SHSU Catholic Student Center, 1998 to present.

Coordinator, High School Band Boosters Booth, Hornet Happening Celebration, West Hills Mall, Huntsville, TX, August 26, 1999.

Presented program, "Service in Nursing Home Ministry," to high school religion class, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Huntsville, TX, October 24, 1999.

Presented program, "Communication and Relationships," at SHSU Catholic Student Center, Huntsville, TX, April 14, 1999.

Co-presented seminar, "Gender and Relationships" with Dr. Mary Evelyn Collins at Association of American University Women, SHSU chapter meeting, Huntsville, TX, April 13, 1999.

Public Spokesperson, Huntsville High Band Boosters (Presented successful organization proposal requesting new band uniforms. Board approved \$70,000 expenditure)

Workshop Presenter, "Effective Public Speaking," Rotary International Ambassadors Scholarship Program, May 1997.

Seminar Presenter, "Classroom Management Without Words," Region 6 Education Service Center Special Populations Conference, College Station Hilton, March 1997.

Seminar Presenter, "Conflict Management in 10 Easy Steps," Sam Houston Area Reading Council Fall Conference, Conroe, October 26, 1996.

Instructor, Grades 9 through 12, Continuing Christian Education Program, St. Thomas Catholic Church, January 1995 to April 1996.

### **3. Profession**

President, Southern States Communication Association, 2004.

Vice President, Southern States Communication Association, 2003. Planned Association Annual Convention and Program, April 2004.

Elected, Vice President-Elect, Southern States Communication Association, 2002. Planned Undergraduate Honors Conference for Birmingham convention.

Field of Study Advisory Committee on Communication, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, 2002-2003.

Speech Standards Development Committee, State Board of Educator Certification, 2002 to present.

Chair, 3 Research Panels at Southern States Communication Association convention, Winson-Salem, NC, April, 2002.

Respondent, 2 Research Panels at Southern States Communication Association convention, Winson-Salem, NC, April, 2002.

Chair, 2 Research Panels at Texas Speech Communication Association, El Paso, October, 2001.

Appointed, Time and Place Committee, Southern States Communication Association, 2001-2003, Chair-2002.

Elected, Representative to National Communication Association Legislative Council, 1998-2001.

Chair, 4-Year University Committee, Texas Speech Communication Association, 2001-2003.

Chair/Discussant for “Issues in Interpersonal And Group Communication,” Undergraduate Honors Conference, Southern States Communication Association, Lexington, KY, April 8, 2001

Secretary, Instructional Development Division, Southern States Communication Association, 2000-2002

Reviewer, Competitive Papers Panel, Instructional Development Division, Southern States Communication Association, December, 2000.

Respondent, Bostrom Scholars Research Panel II, SSCA convention, New Orleans, LA, April 2, 2000.

Respondent, Bostrom Scholars Research Panel, SSCA convention, New Orleans, LA, April 1, 2000.

Invited Speaker, “The Cajuns of Southwest Louisiana,” in panel: The South: Life and Language, SSCA convention, New Orleans, LA, March 31, 2000.

Moderator, Bostrom Graduate Student Research Panel, SSCA convention, New Orleans, LA, March 30, 2000.

Chair, By-Laws Committee, Texas Speech Communication Association, February 2000-2001.

Member, By-Laws Committee, Texas Speech Communication Association annual meeting, Dallas, TX, September 29, 1999.

Member, Teacher Certification Committee, Texas Speech Communication Association annual meeting, Dallas, TX, September 29, 1999.

Panel Chair, “Issues in Intercultural Communication Conflict: Looking Forward-Looking Back” at SSCA convention, St. Louis, MO, April 11, 1999.

Panel Chair, “Communication Education/ Instructional Development Competitive Papers II” at SSCA convention, St. Louis, MO, April 10, 1999.

Panel Chair, “Relationships, Confessions, and Code-Switching: Research in Interpersonal Communication” in SSCA Undergraduation Honors Conference, St. Louis, MO, April 8, 1999.

Elected, SSCA Representative to NCA Legislative Council, 3-year term, 1999-2002.

Elected, SSCA Nominating Committee, Representing Intercultural Communication Division, 1999-2001.

Paper reviewer/critic, SSCA Undergraduate Honors Conference, August-October 1998 for 1999 St. Louis program.

Paper reviewer/critic, SSCA Instructional Development Division for 1999 St. Louis program.

Chair, By-Laws Committee, Instructional Development Division, Southern States Communication Association, 1998-99 (New by-laws written, to be presented at 1999 annual business meeting).

Chair, By-Laws Committee, Intercultural Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 1996-98. (New by-laws presented and ratified, 1998).

Chair, Intercultural Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 1997-98.

Elected Vice-Chair-Elect, Intercultural Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, April 1995.

Appointed, Constitution Committee, Instructional Development Division, Southern States Communication Association, April 1995.

Elected to represent Southern States Communication Association on 1995-96 Nominating Committee of Speech Communication Association(now National Communication Association), and to SSCA Executive Council , Summer 1994.

Chair, District 6, Texas Speech Communication Association, 1993 to 1998.

Chair, Instructional Development Division, Southern States Communication Association, 1992-93.

Elected Vice-Chair-Elect, Instructional Development Division, Southern States Communication Association, April 1990.

## **VI. PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences

International Association of Intercultural Communication Studies

National Communication Association

Pi Kappa Delta Honor Society

Southern States Communication Association

Texas Association of Deans of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Texas Speech Communication Association

## **VII. HONORS**

Finalist, University Excellence in Teaching Award, 2002.

2001 University Educator of the Year, Texas Speech Communication Association.

The Sammy Award 2000, given to outstanding university professor by Office of Student Life, SHSU, April 2000.

Who's Who Among American University Professors, 1997, 2004.

"Top Prof" Hall of Fame, Baptist Student Union, 1990.