

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Communication and Information, concentration in Journalism and Media
University of Tennessee, Knoxville Knoxville, TN
Expected May 2028

Graduate certificate in Women, gender, and sexuality
University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Knoxville, TN
Expected May 2028

M. S. in Mass Communication
Boston University Boston, MA
Jan. 2015

B. A. in Communication, minor in Asian Studies
State University of New York at Geneseo Geneseo, NY
May 2013

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Showalter, K. (2026, October). Uses and Gratifications of Anime After Anime's Golden Years in America: Driven by Nostalgia and a Desire for Non-American Media. [Poster presentation]. Paper accepted for the 2026 Pop Culture/American Culture Association in the South Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Showalter, K. (2013, May). Improved Translation of Anime: How Better Translations of Popular Anime Promote Japanese Culture. Competitive paper presented at the Annual Undergraduate Scholars' Conference of the 104th Eastern Communication Association, Pittsburgh, PA.

Showalter, K. (2012, April). Conventionalized Gender Roles Attempt to Normalize Homosexual Relations in Advertising. Competitive paper presented at the Annual Undergraduate Scholars' Conference of the 103th Eastern Communication Association, Cambridge, MA.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant Aug 2025 - Present
University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Office of Innovative Technologies (OIT)

- Fulfill incoming digitization requests in a timely manner, ensuring compatibility with fair use doctrine and accessibility guidelines
- Execute a variety of live events for streaming or recording, including set-up, tear-down, camera operation, and sound management

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Tennessee, Knoxville Knoxville, TN
Instructor of Record Fall 2026

- JMED 370, Global Communication

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- In-person lecture

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Knoxville, TN

Instructor of Record

Summer 2026

- CCI 150, Examining the World of Communication and Information
- Online asynchronous

Boston University

Boston, MA

Teaching Assistant

Aug 2013 – Dec 2014

- COM 101, The World of Communication
- Graded all student work in 20-student assigned discussion section
- Led weekly discussion sections, administered tests, designed and administered quizzes
- Provided constructive feedback on all student assignments

SUNY Geneseo

Geneseo, NY

Teaching and Writing Assistant

Jan 2013 – May 2013

- COMN 353, Advertising as Social Communication
- Single TA present for professor-led lectures with 25 students
- Guided students through the conference submission process including submission formatting, anonymization, and travel funding requests

SUNY Geneseo

Geneseo, NY

Teaching Assistant

Jan 2012 – Dec 2012

- COMN 160, Introduction to Mass Communication
- Single TA present for professor-led lectures with 40-60 students
- Provided constructive feedback on student papers and exams, provided lecture support to professor as needed

LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS, AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning (CIRTL) Associate-Level

Teaching Certificate

2025

- 6-module professional development seminar focused on evidence-based teaching strategies. Included designing and presenting a sample lesson plan and creating a teaching philosophy statement.

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)

Human Subjects Research Ethics Certificate

2025

- Completed nationally recognized research ethics and compliance training for human subjects' research.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)

Reviewer:

Apr 2026

Student Research Paper Competition - Communication Technology Division (CTEC)

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Commission on Graduate Education – Research In-Progress Submission (CSGE)

Eastern Communication Association (ECA)

Graduate student ambassador

Apr 2026

- Provided on-site event support during ECA's annual convention

AWARDS

2026 Cummins Family Scholarship, Scholarship America

\$5,000

Four awards across the United States and Canada annually granted based on academic performance, leadership, and work experience.

2026 Montgomery Howard Fellowship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Awarded based on academic performance and financial need.

2013 Dean's Scholarship, Boston University

Awarded to admitted graduate students in the top half of their incoming class, with strong academic credentials and test scores.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Certificate in Digital Marketing Strategies: Data, Automation, AI & Analytics

Northwestern University Kellogg Executive Education

Online

June 2024