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Education

PhD, Communication & Information Sciences, May 2028
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
Advisor: Darrin J. Griffin

M.A., Communication Studies, May 2023
GPA: 4.0
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
Thesis: Testing Truth-Default Theory in Public Speaking: Effects of Explicit Credibility Statements Across Levels of Relevance
Committee: Darrin J. Griffin, Adam J. Brooks, Luke Hunt

M.A., Christian Apologetics, May 2020
GPA: 3.14
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

B.S., Communication Arts, May 2016, Major: *Public Communication*, Minor: *Religious Studies*
GPA: 3.39
The University of North Alabama, Florence, AL

Academic Experience

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

Culverhouse College of Business, Office of Undergraduate and International Programs,
Clinical LEAD Instructor and Coordinator of LEADconnect Mentoring Program, August
2023-Present

College of Communication & Information Sciences, Public Speaking Department,
Summer Adjunct, July 2023, July 2024

College of Communication & Information Sciences, Public Speaking Department,

Graduate Teaching Assistant, August 2021-May 2023

Professional Coaching

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

LEAD Coaching

“Interviewing,” Executive-style coaching session for up to 25 college students on how to successfully prepare for job interviews

Coach- February 2024

Assisted LEAD coach throughout the semester, August 2024-Present

“Public Speaking,” Executive-style coaching session for up to 25 college students on how to successfully prepare to speak publicly

Coach- March 2024

Assisted LEAD coach throughout the semester, August 2024-Present

“Time Management,” Executive-style coaching session for up to 25 college students on how to manage time effectively

Assisted LEAD coach throughout the semester, August 2024-Present

“Resumes,” Executive-style coaching session for up to 25 college students on how to create professional resumes

Assisted LEAD coach throughout the semester, August 2024-Present

“Networking,” Executive-style coaching session for up to 25 college students on how to network

Assisted LEAD coach throughout the semester, August 2024-Present

“Elevator Pitches,” Executive-style coaching session for up to 25 college students on how to deliver effective elevator pitches

Coached and assisted LEAD coach throughout the semester, August 2024-Present

Teaching Experience

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

GBA 246: Professional Development Series II: Choosing Your Path, Instructor of Record; Fall 2024, Spring 2024

Student Evaluations

- Spring 2024: 4.85/5.0

GBA 146: Professional Development Series I: Exploring Your Path, Instructor of Record;
Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2023

Student Evaluations

- Spring 2024: 4.75/5.0
- Fall 2023: 4.88/5.0

COM 123: Public Speaking, Instructor of Record; Summer 2024, Summer 2023

Student Evaluations

- Summer 2024: 4.86/5.0
- Summer 2023: 4.78/5.0

COM 123: Public Speaking, Lab Instructor; Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022, Fall 2021

Student Evaluations:

- Spring 2023: 4.96
- Fall 2022: 5.0
- Spring 2022: 5.0/5.0
- Fall 2021: 5.0/5.0

COM 320: Truth, Ethics, and Deception, Guest Lecturer, "Detecting Deception in Public Speaking," January 2024

COM 123: Public Speaking, Guest Lecturer, September 2022, April 2022, October 2021

Research

Conference Papers

Dubuisson, J. & Griffin, D.J. (2024, November) *Nurturing Greater Regard through Public Speaking: Testing Truth-Default Theory through Credibility Statements*, National Communication Association Conference; Top Paper Panel for Basic Course Division

Academic Presentations

Thesis Defense

Testing Truth-Default Theory in Public Speaking: Effects of Explicit Credibility Statements Across Levels of Relevance, March 2023

The thesis focused on the impact of explicit credibility statements on speaker trustworthiness in speeches with different levels of relevance to the audience.

Three Minute Thesis

Department of Communication Studies Representative, October 2022

“How Can You Tell if Someone is Lying to You?”

Presented research at competition across numerous disciplines and fields of study.

Awards

Teaching

Outstanding Teaching by a Master’s Student

University-Wide, Nominee, Spring 2023

College of Communication and Information Sciences, Winner, Fall 2022

Department of Communication Studies, Winner, Fall 2022

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

Academic Achievements

Scholarships

Caskey Scholarship (Fall 2016-Fall 2017)

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

Academic Excellence Scholarship (Fall 2012-Spring 2016)

The University of North Alabama, Florence, AL

Honor Societies

National Society of Leadership and Success

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society

The University of North Alabama, Florence, AL

Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society

The University of North Alabama, Florence, AL