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**RESEARCH INTERESTS\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Dark Side Communication: Social Support and Taboo/Stigmatized Communication
* LGBTQIA+ Communication, Environmental Communication

**EDUCATION\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**PH.D. University of Texas – Austin**

Interpersonal Communication Studies

*Expected graduation date:* May 2026

**M.A.** **Texas State University**

Communication Studies

*Date of Degree:* May 2022

**B.A.**  **Louisiana State University**

Major: Communication Studies

Minors: Philosophy and Sociology

*Date of Degree:* December 2019

**Grants\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* NCA Funding 2022, UT ($350), Caucus ($200).
* NCA Funding 2021, TXST ($500), Caucus ($200).

**SCHOLARSHIP\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***CONFRENCE***

Blitch, M.E. (2021, October 23-24). The shame game: How shame, stigma, and fear impact COVID-19 exposure in organizations. [Lightning Pitch]. *Organizational Communication Mini-Conference*, Virtual Experience.

Blitch, M.E. (2022, November 16-19). How to change climate change: President Biden’s response to Hurricane Ida. [Conference Presentation].*National Communication Association*, paper submission - Rhetoric.

Farris, K.L. & Blitch, M.E. (2022, November 16-19). An exploration of over-supportive messages and their relational impact, [Conference Presentation]. *National Communication Association*, mixed – method research.

Farris, K.L. & Blitch, M.E. (2022, April 12 - 16). An exploration of over-supportive messages and their relational impact, [Conference Presentation]. *Southern States Communication Association*, mixed – method research.

Palomares, N., Murray, C., Rabby, M., Blitch., & Boro, S (2023, November 16-19). An anonymous and insecure bully is less depressed than a confident and identifiable one, but only if remorseful: How identifiability, superordinate goals, and message severity predict depression among bullies. [Conference Presentation]. *National Communication Association –* Quantitative methods*.*

Blitch, M.E. & Murray, S (2023, November 16-19). Using the game “Chameleon” to illustrate verbal and nonverbal cues in deception. [G.I.F.T.S. Presentation]. *National Communication Association -* GIF.

Blitch, M.E. & Koszarek, A. (2023, November 16-19). “To give a mouse a cookie”: Exploring the perceived perceptions of being offered food as a form of social support within stranger interactions during stressful conversations. [Research Proposal]. *National Communication Association* – Research Roundtable.

Blitch, M.E. (2023, November 16-19). The devilish nature of support: Justifications for deceptive support. [Conference Presentation]. *National Communication* Association - individual paper – Qualitative methods.

***PENDING BOOK CHAPTER***

Blitch, M.E. & Murray, S. Introduction to communication and negotiation, In Erik Timmerman – *In Final Edit Stage*

***MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS***

Farris, K.L. & Blitch, M.E. An exploration of over-supportive messages and their relational impact- *Awaiting Review*

Dailey, R. & Blitch, M.E. Accommodations in courses. – *Awaiting IRB Approval*

Dailey, R., Alley, E., Blitch, M.E., & Yang, Y. Dynamics in Relationships – *Collecting Data*

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Teaching Experience***

Fall 2020 – Fall 2021 Graduate Instructional Assistant at Texas State

Fall 2021 – Spring 2022 Graduate Teaching Assistant at Texas State

Fall 2022 – Fall 2022 Adjunct Lecturer at Texas State

Fall 2022 – Present Graduate Teaching Assistant at University of Texas

***Training Experience***

Fall 2023 Training in Debate Practices – Customized Workshop

***Other Professional Experiences***

Fall 2023 – Present Graduate Assistant at Sanger Learning Center

**MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILATIONS\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Lamba Pi Eta, Louisiana State University, 2016 – 2019
* National Communication Association, 2021 - Present

**SERVICE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Diversity Activity, Coder, Texas State University, Summer 2022
* Communication Graduate Student Association, Community Serves Organizer, 2021 – 2022
* Tunnel of Oppression, Texas State University, Spring 2021
* National Communication Association, Reception Volunteer, 2021
* Reviewer - Fall 2021 for the International Communication Association
* Reviewer - Spring 2023 for the National Communication Association – Basic Course Division
* Reviewer - Spring 2023 for the National Communication Association – Public Address Division

**CERTIFICATION\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* CITI Training: Social and Behavioral Research – June 2022, June 2024
* Sexual Assault Prevention for Graduate Students- through Texas State University, Sept 2020
* Indiana University Plagiarism Recognition- through Texas State University, Sept 2020
* Sexual Assault Prevention for Graduate Students- through University of Texas, Sept 2022