

# Emily Felt

## ACADEMIC ADDRESS

Department of Communication Studies  
University of Texas – Austin

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## EDUCATION

- M.A. **The University of Texas at Austin**, May 2026  
Communication Studies; Interpersonal Communication  
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Erin Donovan  
Thesis: *“It’s Emotional Work, but it’s Worth It.”: How Pediatric ICU Nurses Engage in Difficult Health Conversations and Cope with the Aftermath*
- B.A. **Brigham Young University** December 2022  
Communication, Emphasis in Public Relations, Minor in Global Women’s Studies

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## PUBLICATIONS

- Felt, E.** (2024). Gifts From Mother. In *Cherish 2: The Love of our Mother In Heaven*. D Street Press.
- Felt, E.** (2023). Gifts from Mother God. *BYU Scholars Archive*.  
<https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/awe/vol10/iss1/32>
- Felt, E.** (2022). The Mask. *BYU Scholars Archive*.  
<https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/awe/vol9/iss1/14>

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## PEER-REVIEWED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- Felt, E.** (2024). *Periods on Instagram: Are Brands Destigmatizing Menstruation?* [Student Section] National Communication Association. New Orleans, LA; November 2024.

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## PAPERS IN PROGRESS

- Felt, E., Quaack, K., Currie, R.**, *From Ideal to Real: Meeting Expectations and Creating Trust in the First Gynecologist Appointment.*
- Felt, E., Mahapatra, J., Hoq, R., Donovan, E.** *Content Features of Difficult Health Conversations.*
- Wei, J., Felt, E., Chakraborty, A.**, *Deceptive Appearances: The Hidden Agenda of Crisis Pregnancy Centers.*
- Baumler, R., Khedkar, S., Felt, E., Palomares, N.**, *Biased Beliefs about Blame in News Coverage of Campus Sexual Assault: The Effects of Sexual Identity, Perpetrator Status, and Sobriety on Victim-Blaming*

## FUNDING AND AWARDS

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### *Grant, Fellowships, and Scholarships*

2024 – 2026 Graduate School Decentralized Fellowship. University of Texas at Austin.

2024 Department of Communication Studies Travel Fund. University of Texas at Austin.

2024 Student Caucus Travel Grant. National Communication Association.

## TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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2024 – 2026 **Graduate Teaching Assistant** – Department of Communication Studies, UT

- CMS 337 Building Sales Relationships, Professor Jerald Nemerhoff
- CMS 344K Lying and Deception, Dr. Matthew McGlone
- CMS 344K Lying and Deception, Dr. Joe Cutbirth

### Invited Presentations

February 2024 *Deception in Romantic Relationships* in Matthew McGlone's CMS 344K: Lying and Deception at the University of Texas at Austin

## PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

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Summer 2025 **Unit Head and Camp Counselor** Shalom Austin, Austin, TX

- Supervised and mentored counselors
- Assisted with and reported accidents and altercations to parents and camp authorities
- Served as the first point of contact for counselors when challenging situations arose.

January 2024-June 2024 **Communications Intern**, Planned Parenthood Association of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

- Created Instagram and TikTok content
- Used updates from the Utah Legislative Session to create specific social media content
- Assisted in the creation of social media strategy

January 2022-December 2022 **PR Specialist and Project Manager**, BYU Public Relations Intelligence Lab, Provo, UT

- Created social media strategies and advised clients on effective social media practices.
- Served as the primary point of contact between clients and teams.
- Conducted data-driven research to accomplish client goals and create PR strategies.

December 2021- July 2022 **Search Engine Optimization Specialist**, BYU TV, Provo, UT

- Created SEO processes and tactics
- Researched key search terms to maximize the discoverability of the company's shows.
- Increased discoverability of shows and episodes through concisely worded show and episode descriptions

Summer 2021 **Social Media Marketing Intern**, Domain Companies, Salt Lake City, UT

- Oversaw content creation on social platforms for apartment complexes Avia and Mya
- Mastered how to use a Matterport camera and take 3D pictures of amenities.
- Created strategic content for various publics.

January 2021-July 2021 **Digital Marketing Specialist**, Y Digital Agency, Provo, UT

- Thatcher+Co
  - Assembled risk assessment data for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
  - Operated social media listening analyses and trend analyses.
- Vineyard Station
  - Designed key advertisements using Adobe Illustrator to increase public awareness of the new community.
  - Collaborated with the team and the client to plan a major groundbreaking event.

## **Volunteer Activities**

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### *Departmental Service*

Fall, 2025-Spring 2026 Secretary, Communication Studies Graduate Student Committee

Spring 2025 Student Life Panel for Orientation. University of Texas at Austin.

Spring 2025 Student Life Panel for Recruitment Day. University of Texas at Austin.

Fall, 2024-Spring 2025 Event Coordinator, Communication Studies Graduate Student Committee

### *Other Service*

August 2023-July 2024 Emotional Resilience Support Group Facilitator, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

January 2023-April 2023 Volunteer Social Media Coordinator, Young Ambassadors, BYU

April 2022-December 2022 Business Liaison, BYU Global Women's Studies Honor Society

## **RELEVANT COURSEWORK**

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### **Methods**

Quantitative Research Methods, Qualitative Research Methods

### **Content**

Interpersonal Communication Theory, Supervised Teaching, Dark Side of Interpersonal Communication, Perception of Sound and Psychoacoustics