Ryan Tinlin

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EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin, Austin TX, September 2018 - May 2020 Master of Arts: Communication Studies (Interpersonal Communication) GPA - 3.9

Bradley University, Peoria IL, September 2011 - May 2013

Bachelor of Science: Psychology (Behavioral Neuroscience)

Ohio University, Athens OH, September 2009 - June 2011 Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa CA, September 2013 - December 2013

EMPLOYMENT

Illinois State University

Instructional Assistant Professor - School of Communication - August 2021 - Present

- Taught Communication as Critical Inquiry (COM 110) & Persuasive Communication (COM 202)
- Implemented my own course design based on student feedback and current events
- Awarded the 2025 Impact Award for excellence in teaching

Assistant Director of Individual Events - ISU Forensics Union - August 2021 - Present

- Helped the team achieve national recognition as a top 3 school in the country
- Coached over 20 national finalists, winning 3 national championships in After Dinner Speaking, and both of the top overall speakers in 2023

Oregon Department of Health and Human Services

Case Manager & Family Coach - Office of Self Sufficiency - August 2020 - July 2021

- Determined financial eligibility for various state and federally funded anti-poverty programs
- Helped families build health and education plans focused on long term sustainable employment
- Worked with community partners to connect families with non-governmental financial aid

The University of Texas at Austin

Assistant Director - Texas Speech Team - September 2016 - May 2020

- Coached the American Forensics Association national championship team in both 2017 & 2018
- Coached students to over 50 national final rounds winning 14 individual national championships
- Awarded the 2020 Outstanding New Coach Award by the American Forensics Association

Graduate Assistant - Texas Speech Team - September 2018 - May 2020

- Assisted the director both during class meetings and on site at regional & national tournaments
- Taught students best practices on research, outlining, writing, editing, and public speaking performance techniques
- Created lecture series for undergraduates focused on comedy as a persuasive tool, responding to non-verbal signals from audience, and how to bolster ethos through professional behavior & attire

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Teaching Assistant - Moody College of Communication - January 2020 - May 2020

- Assisted the instructor of record with producing rubrics, engaged students in discussion during class, and graded assignments (CMS 339 - Social Interactions in Virtual Environments)
- Provided feedback to undergraduates related to class expectations and class performance in an unexpectedly but appropriately hybrid class format due to COVID

Curriculum Director of Oratory & Informative Speaking Lab - UTNIF - June 2015 - July 2020

- Coached 35+ high school students during intensive two week camps each summer
- Assisted students in creating an original speech from scratch through a lecture series related to topic selection, research, outlining, writing, editing, and performance
- Mentored students to develop a strong foundation in both interpersonal and computer mediated communication skills (2020 UTNIF was entirely online)

Lewis and Clark College

Director of Individual Events - L&C Speech and Debate Team - August 2014 - July 2016

- Responsible for managing, coaching, and traveling with the team of a dozen undergraduate students
- Aided students in creating over 40 unique speech topics by assisting them in the process of outlining, researching, writing, editing, and delivering speeches at a nationally competitive level
- Lead the team to their first Pacific NorthWest regional championship

ACADEMIC ORIGINAL WORKS/PRESENTATIONS

"Hate The Sin, Blame The Sinner: The Effects of Language on Attitudes toward Substance Use Disorders"

M.A. Thesis - 2020

"What The F*ck? Bright Sides of Profanity in Interpersonal Interactions"

Term Paper - 2019 - Darkside of Interpersonal Communication

Conducted IRB approved research related to how profanity may bolster rapport building in certain interpersonal contexts

"The Compounding Effects of Environmental Enrichment and Cocaine Administration on Anxiety and Locomotor Activity"

Poster Presented at San Diego Society for Neuroscience Conference in 2013

"The Evolutionary Psychology of Belief"

Original Informative Speech - National Forensics Association National Champion - 2013

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Speech Equity Project - Founding Board Member & Feedback Manager - May 2019 - May 2022

 Assisted in the creation and governance of a non-profit organization focused on providing free speech and debate education to both high school and college students