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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Education (Special Education) Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
Dissertation: *Relationships between Parent and Child in the First Five Years of Life with Autism*
Dissertation Advisor: Derise Solomon

M.A. in Communication Studies
Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

August, 2009

B.F.A. in Dance Education, General Honors Curriculum
University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS

May, 2007

EMPLOYMENT

2020-

- Instructor of record for 5-6 classes per day of approximately 25 students
- 2009-2010 Teacher, Donaldsonville High School, Donaldsonville, LA
Instructor of record for 3 classes per day of approximately 25 students.
- 2007-2009 Graduate Teaching Assistant, LSU, Baton Rouge, LA
Responsibilities included teaching two courses per semester

HONORS AND AWARDS

Awards

- 2020 Outstanding Dissertation Award, National Communication Association, Interpersonal Division
- 2019 Outstanding Dissertation Award, The International Communication Association, Interpersonal Division
- 2018 Research and Graduate Studies Dissertation Award, College of the Liberal Arts, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2018 Carroll C. Arnold Award for Academic Excellence, Department of Communication Arts and Sciences, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2017 Superior Teaching and Research (STAR) Award, College of the Liberal Arts, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2017 Kathryn DeBoer Distinguished Teaching Award, Department of Communication Arts and Sciences, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2015 Top Poster Award, Poster presented at the International Association for Relationship Research mini-conference in New Brunswick, New Jersey

Research Support

- 2023 Research Competitiveness Grant, \$133,000, Louisiana Board of Regents Support Fund. Primary Investigator. Funding will support the collection of P
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Brisini, K. S. & Solomon, D.H. (2019). Relationship turbulence in college dating relationships: Measurement, construct validity and comparison to marriage. Communication Quarterly, 67, 424-443. doi:10.1080/01463373.2019.1605398

Brisini, K. S. & Solomon, D. H., (2020). Relationship transitions and stress: Turbulence over the lifespan of marriage. In L. A. Aloia, A. Denes, & J.P. Crowley (Eds.), *The Physiology of Interpersonal Communication*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Manuscripts Under Review

Brisini, K.S., Riccardi, R., & Wang, N. (2023) Turbulence, Framing, and Planning among College Daters: Testing Relational Turbulence Theory in a Dyadic, Lab Study Under Review.

Solomon, D.H., Li, Y, & **Brisini, K. S. (2023)** Longitudinal test of relational turbulence theory and serial arguments in romantic relationships Under Review

Conference Presentations (Recent)

Brisini, K.S., Riccardi, R., & Wang, N. (2023) Turbulence, framing, and planning among college daters: Testing relational turbulence theory in a dyadic, lab Study. Competitively selected paper presented at Stedehe

- transition processing communication during the summer of COVID19.
Competitively selected paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association in Seattle, WA.
- Brisini, K.S., & Tian, X (2020)** Parents daily “highs” and “lows” when their child with Autism starts school. Panel presentation at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association presented virtually.
- Brisini, K. S., Solomon, D. H., & Tian, X. (2019).** Relational turbulence and openness to social network support for marital conflicts. Competitively selected paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association in Baltimore, MD.
- Brisini, K. S. & Solomon, D. H. (2018).** Facets of marital conflict among parents of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder: A relational turbulence perspective. Competitively selected paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Fort Collins CO.
- Brisini, K. S. & Solomon, D. H. (2018).** Relationship transitions for parents of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder: Types, turbulence, and transition processing activities. Competitively selected paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic.
- Solomon, D.H. & Brisini, K. S. (2018)** Outcomes of relational uncertainty and interference and facilitation in marriage: A test of relational turbulence theory. Competitively selected paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic.
- Solomon, D. H., & Brisini, K. S. (2017).** Operationalizing relational turbulence: Measurement and construct validity. Competitively selected paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association in Dallas, TX.
- Brisini, K. S., Solomon, D.H., & Nussbaum, J. (2016, November).** Transitions in marriage: Types, turbulence, and transition processing activities. Panelist. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association in

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

- 2020-** **Louisiana State University**
 CMST 2010, Interpersonal Communication
 CMST 4012, Communication and Relationships
 CMST 4130, Communication Skills Training: Conflict
 CMST 7900, Introduction to Graduate Studies in Communication
 CMST 7904, Pedagogy for the Communication Classroom
 CMST 7912, Communication and Conflict
 CMST 7913, Theory Construction
- 2014-2020** **The Pennsylvania State University**
 CAS 100, Effective Speaking (Instructor of Record)
 CAS 202, Introduction to Communication Theory (Teaching Assistant)
 CAS 203, Interpersonal Communication (Instructor of Record)
 CAS 403, Interpersonal Communication Theory (Instructor of Record)
 CAS 404, Conflict Resolution and Negotiation (Instructor of Record)
- 2009-2014** **Slidell High School and Donaldsonville High School**
 Speech Communication I
 Speech Communication II
 Digital Media
 Mass Communication
 Mathematics

Curricular Development

- 2015** **Ancillary Teaching Materials Development**
 Developed the ancillary materials for the upcoming edition of the textbook, Interpersonal Communication: Putting Theory Into Practice, written by Denise Solomon and Julie Thibault. Materials included sample class activities, discussion starters, test questions, and quizzes.

Professional Development

- 2009-2010** **Teacher Advancement Program**
 A year-long, weekly workshop designed to improve lesson planning and classroom management, as well as targeted student improvement strategies.

Graduate Student Advisees

- PhD Rebecca Riccardi (2023), Malcolm Evans, Ethan Hunter, and Wang,
 Lindsay Duede

Developed small group lesson plans and training exercises for counselors and delivered interactive lectures and seminars regarding issues of diversity and communication for students in grades 7-12.

2011-2013 Amplify Youth

Directed and sponsored a youth organization aimed at developing positive decision-making, leadership, communication skills, and a drug-free life style in high school students.

2012 Louisiana SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) Conference

Developed small group lesson plans aimed at communication, team-building, and leadership for young adults and trained conference staff on the implementation and direction of small group sessions.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Communication Association
International Communicat