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## EDUCATION

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<b>University of Denver</b> , Denver, CO (Remote) Master of Arts Professional Creative Nonfiction Writing	Anticipated graduation Dec. 2024
<b>University of California San Diego</b> (Remote) Graduate Certificate Copyediting	Anticipated completion June 2024
<b>Western Illinois University</b> , Macomb, IL Graduate Coursework, English	Fall 2021
<b>Denver Publishing Institute</b> , Denver, CO (Remote) Graduate Certificate in Publishing	August 2020
<b>University of Iowa</b> , Iowa City, IA Bachelor of Arts, English & Creative Writing Emphasis in Publishing Honors in English & Creative Writing Sigma Tau Delta	May 2020
<b>Black Hawk College</b> , Moline, IL Associate of Arts, English Emphasis in Journalism Sigma Kappa Delta; Phi Beta Kappa	May 2017

## SPECIAL PROJECTS AND PUBLICATIONS

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### *Editing Projects*

- McDowell, R.J. *Agatha Anxious and the Deer Island Ghost*, Book. Crumble Bee Books. September 2022.
- Owen, Shelli. *Mountain Rescue: A True Story of Unexpected Mercies and Deliverance*. Book. Martin Publishing Services. November 2021.
- McCue, Maureen. *Birds in the Morning, Frogs at Night: Sharing Life Along the Road*. Book. Ice Cube Press. June 2021.
- Miller, Nathaniel. *Life Raft*. Chapbook. The University of Iowa Press. May 2020.

## ***Published Articles***

- Becker, Jen Anne, ["A Student/Professor Affair in Fact and Fiction,"](#) online: River Teeth – A Journal of Nonfiction Narrative. Dec 2022.
- , ["The Limits of Success,"](#) Iowa City, IA: *Fools Magazine Vol. 7*. Dec 2019.
- , ["Who's Watching You?"](#) Iowa City, IA: *Fools Magazine*, Online. November 2019.
- , ["Writing the Everyday, the Octogenarian Way,"](#) Iowa City, IA: *Fools Magazine*, Online. October 2019.
- Simmering (Becker), Jennifer A., "Viva la Resistance," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). December 2015.
- , "I'm Going to Disney World!" Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). November 2015.
- , "Oh, the Places You'll Know," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). August 2015.
- , "Operation Unending Obligation," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). May 2015.
- , "ISIS Expands into Somali, Nigeria, & Cyber Territories," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). April 2015.
- , "Music & Art go Hand in Hand," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). April 2015.
- , "People Who Make a Difference in the Face of ISIS Chaos," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). March 2015.
- , "Losing Kobani a Major Hit to ISIS," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). February 2015.
- , "Figge Art Museum – More Than Meets the Eye," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). January 2015.
- , "Hanging with an Old Friend – A Night with James Taylor," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). January 2015.
- , "ISIS – The War Wages On," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). December 2014.
- , "Life is Worth Living Longer," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). December 2014.
- , "Riddles Jewelry: A Dazzling Family Tradition," National and Local Quad City Issues: *Women's Edition Magazine*. Print and Online. December 2014.
- , "Gastroenterology Consultants: A Family of Healing Partners," Bettendorf, IA: *Women's Edition Magazine*. Print and Online. December 2014.
- , "ISIS: Terror Leads to Terror," Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). October 2014.

- , “ISIS – What You Need to Know,” Moline, IL: *The Chieftain* (Black Hawk College). September 2014.
- , “View from the Top QC: A. Heaton Portrait Gallery,” Bettendorf, IA: *Women’s Edition Magazine*. Print and Online. November 2009.
- , “Out & About QC: Kristine Klean, LLC,” Bettendorf, IA: *Women’s Edition Magazine*. Print and Online. October 2009.
- , “Healthy Living QC: Cervetti & Associates Foot and Ankle Center,” Bettendorf, IA: *Women’s Edition Magazine*. Print and Online. July 2009.
- , “Business Style QC: City of LeClaire Shopkeepers and Tourism,” Bettendorf, IA: *Women’s Edition Magazine*. Print and Online. April 2009.

### ***Miscellaneous Projects***

- Co-Editor, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Iowa Chapbook Prize, The University of Iowa, Publishing Practicum. Spring 2020.
- Managing Editor. *Passed Notes: Anthology of High School Writing*. Publishing 2. The University of Iowa. Spring 2019.
- Managing Editor. *Witness Mag* (Literary Magazine). Publishing 1. The University of Iowa. Fall 2018.
- Editor-in-Chief; Journalist. *The Chieftain*, Black Hawk College. Fall 2014-Fall 2015.

### ***Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Manual***

- ACES Program Administrative Assistant SOP, **Safer Foundation**, 2018
- Administrative Assistant Procedures Manual, **Klauer Heating & Air Conditioning**, 2016

### ***Book Chapter***

- Becker, Jen Anne, “Their Love of the Journey,” *Turning Points*, eBook: Old Schoolhouse Magazine, 2009.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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- Western Illinois University**, Macomb, IL Aug 2021 to Dec 2021  
**Graduate Teaching Assistant**, English Department
- Taught English 180, A required first-year composition course for all undergraduate students regardless of major
    - Content Focused on Genre and Rhetoric
  - Interpreted syllabus through student learning needs
  - Conferenced with students one-on-one for major writing assignments

**Alwood Junior/Senior High School, Woodhull, IL** 2010 to 2014  
**Teacher's Aide, Special Education**

- Provided assistance and supplemental teaching to special education students both in and out of the general education classroom
- Modified assignments as needed according to special needs of each student

#### **ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

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**Concorde Career College, San Diego, CA** 2023 to present  
**Academic Technology & Media Coordinator**

- Maintain Learning Resource Center library
- Offer technical and media support to staff and students
- Assist with scheduled orientations to welcome new students
- Fill in as needed for test proctoring

**Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL** Fall 2021  
**Teaching Support Assistant, The University Writing Center**

- Reviewed papers for accuracy with special attention to MLA or APA style
- Assisted with resume creation or revision
- Processed reports for client work completed

**Ice Cube Press, Iowa City, IA** 2020 to 2021  
**Special Projects Assistant/Volunteer**

- Edited assigned manuscript according to publisher specification
- Researched podcast and blog sites to determine quality and consistency of use
- Wrote copy used to develop relationships with potential promotional sources

**Safer Foundation, Davenport, IA** 2017 to 2018  
**Administrative Assistant**

- Designed fundraising and promotional brochures
- Created SOP manual for Administrative Assistant position
- Maintained social media sites
- Prepared meeting minutes for monthly and special meetings

**Klauer Heating & Air Conditioning, Moline, IL** 2016 to 2017  
**Administrative Assistant**

- Developed multi-modal procedures manual (Interactive PDF)
- Wrote advertising copy for radio spot
- Created and maintained database of customers
- Processed rebate and warranty information

**Black Hawk College, Moline, IL** 2014 to 2016  
**Career Assistant**

- Designed flyers and posters as needed to promote events
- Assisted clients with identifying skills and building resumes
- Offered guidance for online job search and completion of applications

**Marketing Assistant**

- Proofread WordPress website content to edit for Search Engine Optimization (SEO)
- Wrote commercials for radio spots and content for brochures
- Tracked college social media rankings; made spreadsheets and graphs for reports

**Women’s Edition Magazine, Davenport, IA** 2009 to 2014  
**Freelance Writer**

- Interviewed business owners and clients
- Researched company information
- Wrote 900-1200 word articles geared toward reader base

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

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**The English Society, The University of Iowa**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place** Annual Essay Contest Fall 2019

**Illinois Community College Journalism Association**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place** Staff Editorial, *The Chieftain*, Black Hawk College Spring 2014  
Article: “Life is Worth Living Longer”

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

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**Paper Presentation**, “Grace Revealed Through the Works of Hester Prynne,” Sigma Tau Delta International Convention, Las Vegas, NV, March 2020 (Unable to present/COVID)

**MEMBERSHIPS**

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ACES: The Society for Editing, 2020-Present

Professional Editors Network (PEN), 2020-Present

Editorial Freelancers Association (EFA), 2020-Present

American Writers and Writing Programs (AWP), 2019-Present