

Donnie Johnson Sackey
Rhetoric & Writing

EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Rhetoric & Writing (Rhetoric, Environment, Culture) 2013
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
The Curious Case of the Asian Carp: Spatial Performances and the Making of an Invasive Species; Advisor: William Hart-Davidson
- M.A., Critical Studies in Literacy & Pedagogy 2009
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
Making a Rhetoric of Sustainability: Tracing Local Dimension in Environmental Writing; Advisor: William Hart-Davidson
- B.A., Foreign Languages: Latin 2006
B.A., English: American Language and Literature
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Chattanooga, TN
In Other Words: On Translation and Translating Cicero's In Catilinam;
Advisor: Ronald G. Bohrer

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, Rhetoric and Writing, The University of Texas at Austin 2025- present
Faculty Affiliate, English 2018 - 2025
- Associate Chair, Rhetoric and Writing, The University of Texas at Austin 2025- present
- Assistant Professor, Rhetoric and Writing, The University of Texas at Austin 2018 - 2025
- Assistant Professor, English, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI. 2013 - 2018

Google Scholar Profile: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=FABZyiIAAAAJ>

PUBLICATIONS

Books

1. Pflugfelder, Ehren H., Timothy R. Amidon, Daniel P. Richards, and **Donnie Johnson Sackey** (2026). *Risk and Technical Communication: Extracting the Past, Prospecting the Future*. SUNY Press.
2. Sackey, Donnie Johnson. (2024). *Trespassing Natures: Species Migration and the Right to Space*. Columbus, OH: Ohio State University Press. [Winner 2026 RSA Book Award; Honorable Mention 2025 Association for Rhetoric of Science, Technology, and Medicine Book Award]

Reviewed In: *ISLE: Interdisciplinary Studies in Literature and Environment* 32.1; *H-Environment*; *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 55.2; *International Journal of Communication* 19; *Conservation Biology* 40

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

3. Jones, Natasha N. & **Sackey, Donnie Johnson**. (2025). Cop City counternarratives: Security logics, sociotechnical environments, and marginalized communities. *Journal of Technical Writing and Communication*, 0(0): 1-18
4. Sackey, Donnie Johnson (2025). Rhetorical encounters with life out of bounds. *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 55(3): 314-325.
5. Pflugfelder, Ehren H., Timothy R. Amidon, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, and Daniel P. Richards. (2023). Expanding the scope and scale of risk in TPC: Water access and the Colorado River Basin. *Technical Communication Quarterly*, 23(3): 224-241.
6. Le Rouge, Mary, Clancy Ratliff, and **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. (2022). Using situational analysis to reimagine infrastructure. *Communication Design Quarterly*, 10(3): 56-66.
7. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson**. (2022). Without permission: Guerilla gardening, contested places, spatial justice. *Review of Communication*, 22(4): 364-377.
8. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson** (2020). One-Size-Fits-None: Heuristic for proactive value sensitive environmental design. *Technical Communication Quarterly*, 29(1), DOI: 10.1080/10572252.2019.1634767.
9. Cobos, Casie, Gabriela Raquel Rios, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Jennifer Sano-Franchini & Angela M. Haas (2018). Interfacing cultural rhetorics: A history and a call. *Rhetoric Review*, 37(2), 139-154.
10. Turner, Heather Noel, Minh-Tam Nguyen, Beth Keller, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Jim Ridolfo, Stacey Pigg, Benjamin Lauren, Liza Potts, Bill Hart-Davidson, Jeff Grabill. (2017). WIDE Research Center as an incubator for graduate student experience. *Journal of Technical Writing and Communication*, 47(2), 130-150.
11. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson**, Minh-Tam Nguyen, Jeffery T. Grabill. (2015). Constructing learning spaces: What we can learn from studies of informal learning online. *Computers and Composition*, 35, 112-124.
12. Alexander, Phil, Karissa Chabot, Matt Cox, Dànielle Nicole DeVoss, Barb Gerber, Staci Perryman Clark, Julie Platt, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, and Mary Wendt. (2012). Teaching with technology: Remixing and remediating the teaching philosophy statement. *Computers and Composition*, 29(1), 23-38.
13. Sano-Franchini, Jennifer, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, and Stacey Pigg. (2011). "Methodological dwellings: A search for feminisms in rhetoric & composition." *Present Tense: A Journal of Rhetoric in Society*, 1(2). Available: <http://www.presenttensejournal.org/vol1/methodological-dwellings-a-search-for-feminisms-in-rhetoric-composition/>

Non-Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

14. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson.** (2024). How community means. *Community Literacy Journal*, 18(2): 50-55.
15. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson.** (2024). “Response to ‘Symposium on Engaged Environmental Justice Rhetorics.’” *Rhetoric Review*, 43(4): 227-302.
16. Mckoy, Temptaous, Cecilia D. Shelton, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Natasha N. Jones, Constance Haywood, Ja’La Wourman, and Kimberly C. Harper. (2022). Introduction to Special Issue: Black Technical and Professional Communication. *Technical Communication Quarterly*, 31(3), 221-228.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/10572252.2022.2077455>
17. Sackey, Donnie Johnson. (2021). The spatial justice dimensions of rhetoric. *Rhetoric Review*, 40(4): 329–331. [Part of “Octalog IV: The Politics of Rhetorical Studies in 2021”]
18. Opel, Dawn Schultz, **Donnie Johnson Sackey.** (2019). Guest Editor’s Introduction: Reciprocity in community-engaged food and environmental justice scholarship. *Community Literacy Journal*, 14(1), 1-6.
19. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson**, Casey Boyle, Mai Nou Xiong, Gabriela Ríos, Kristin L. Arola, and Scot Barnett. (2019). Perspectives on cultural and posthumanist rhetorics. *Rhetoric Review*, 38(4): 375-401.
20. Hildalgo, Alexandra and **Donnie Johnson Sackey.** (2015). Introduction to Special Issue: Race, Rhetoric, and the State. *Present Tense: A Journal of Rhetoric in Society*, 5(2): 1-4.
21. Beech, Jennifer, Josh Bailey, Ansley Eichhorn, **Donnie Johnson**, Myron Johnson, Jamie Nichols, Justin Szabo, and Amanda Womac. (2004). Activism as active citizenship and as civic responsibility. *Lore: An E-journal for Teachers of Writing*, 1.

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

22. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson.** (2025). A case for black user experience design. Heather N. Turner and Emma J. Rose, (Eds.) *Teaching User Experience: A Process Approach* (1st ed., pp. 50-63). Routledge.
23. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson.** (2025). Environmental justice and social change: Opportunities for action. In Natasha N. Jones, Laura Gonzales, Angela Haas, & Miriam F. Williams (Eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Social Justice in Technical and Professional Communication*, (1st ed., pp. 8). Routledge.

24. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson.** (2018). An environmental justice paradigm for technical communication. Michelle Eble and Angela Haas, (Eds.) *Key theoretical frameworks: Teaching technical communication in the 21st Century* (pp. 138-160). Logan, UT: Utah State University Press. [Winner 2020 CCCC Best Original Collection of Essays in Technical or Scientific Communication]
25. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson, Jim Ridolfo, and Dànielle Nicole DeVoss.** (2018). Making space in Lansing, Michigan: Communities and/in circulation. Laurie E. Gries and Collin Brooke, (Eds.) *Circulation, Writing, & Rhetoric* (pp. 27-42). Logan, UT: Utah State University Press.
26. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson** and William Hart-Davidson. (2016). Writing devices. Casey Boyle and Scot Barnett, (Eds.) *Rhetoric of Everyday Things* (pp. 69-82). Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama Press.
27. Ríos, Gabriela R. and **Donnie Johnson Sackey.** (2014). Biocultural diversity and copyright: Linking intellectual property, language, knowledge and environment. Dànielle Nicole DeVoss and Martine Courant Rife, (Eds.) *Cultures of Copyright* (pp. 211-225). New York, NY: Peter Lang International Academic Publishers.
28. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson** and Dànielle Nicole DeVoss. (2011). Ecology, ecologies, and institutions: Eco and composition. Sidney I. Dobrin, (Ed.) *Writing ecology: Ecology, writing theory, and new media* (pp. 195-212). New York, NY: Routledge.

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings

29. Amidon, Timothy R., & Donnie Johnson Sackey (2024). "Considering Inequity and Justice in the Design of AI Risk Detection Technologies." *Proceedings of the 42nd ACM International Conference on Design of Communication* (pp. 81-93)
30. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson, Michael Trice, & Candace Welhausen** (2022, October). From the Conference Chair and Program Co-Chairs: Returning, Reassessing, and Resolving. *Proceedings of the 40th Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) International Conference on Design of Communication* (pp. 1-2).
31. Moldenhauer, Judith A., and **Donnie Johnson Sackey.** (2016). Transdisciplinarity, community-based participatory research, and user-based information design research: The D•VERSE group and two projects. In *Design, User Experience, and Usability: Design Thinking and Methods - 5th International Conference, DUXU 2016. Held as Part of Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) International 2016, Proceedings.* (Vol. 9746, pp. 323-332). (Lecture Notes in Computer Science (including subseries Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence and Lecture Notes in Bioinformatics); Vol. 9746). Springer Verlag. DOI: [10.1007/978-3-319-40409-7_31](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-40409-7_31)
32. Hodder, Rachel, Michael McLeod, and **Donnie Johnson Sackey.** (2013). Building a better conference experience. *Proceedings of the 31st Annual International Conference on Design of Communication* (pp. 187-188), Special Interest Group on Design of Communication (SIGDOC) 2013. Greenville, NC, September 30th-October 1, 2013.

33. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson** and Noah Ullmann. (2012). Visualizing data, encouraging change: Technical interventions in food purchasing. *Proceedings of the 2012 International Professional Communication Conference, IPCC 2012*. Orlando, FL, October 8-10, 2013. DOI: [10.1109/IPCC.2012.6408654](https://doi.org/10.1109/IPCC.2012.6408654)
34. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson**. (2011). "Tracing Ecologies." *Proceedings of the 2011 International Professional Communication Conference, IPCC 2011*, Cincinnati, OH. October 17-19, 2011. DOI: [10.1109/IPCC.2011.6087188](https://doi.org/10.1109/IPCC.2011.6087188)

Edited Collection, Journals, Volumes

35. Trice, Michael, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, and Candice Welhausen. Proceedings of the 40th ACM International Conference on the Design of Communication (SIGDOC '22). Boston, MA. October 6-8, 2022. <https://dl.acm.org/doi/proceedings/10.1145/3513130>.
36. Mckoy, Temptaous, Cecilia D. Shelton, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Natasha N. Jones, Constance Haywood, Ja'La Wourman, and Kimberly C. Harper (Eds.) (2022). Special Issue: Black Technical and Professional Communication. *Technical Communication Quarterly*, 31(3): 221-310.
37. Opel, Dawn S. and **Donnie Johnson Sackey** (Eds.) (October 2019). Special Issue: Reciprocity in Community-Engaged Food and Environmental Justice Scholarship. *Community Literacy Journal*, 14(1): 1-128.
38. Hildalgo, Alexandra and **Donnie Johnson Sackey** (Eds.) (December 2015). Special Issue: Race, Rhetoric, and the State. *Present Tense: A Journal of Rhetoric in Society*, 5(2): 1-89. <http://www.presenttensejournal.org/editorial/vol-5-2-special-issue-on-race-rhetoric-and-the-state/>

Book Reviews, Encyclopedia Entries and Other Non-Peer Reviewed Articles

39. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson**. (2014). Review of *Forms of Fanonism: Frantz Fanon's Critical Theory and the Dialectics of Decolonization* by Reiland Rabaka. *JAC: A Quarterly Journal for the Interdisciplinary Study of Rhetoric Culture and Politics*, 34(1-2), 390-396.

Works in Progress

Edited Books

40. Poole, Megan, & **Donnie Johnson Sackey** (Eds.). (Under review, August 2026) *Witnessing Loss: Notes and Inquiries for Climate Rhetorics*. Submitted to Penn State University Press. [110,600 words]

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

41. Diamant, Gavrielle, Marisol Guel, Sophia Guild, Esmeralda Hernandez, Katherine Mader, Aneesh Vanguri, & **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. (Under review, May 2026). “Assessing consumer confidence reports: Literacy, readability, and visual design in public water communication.” *Communication Design Quarterly*. [6,865 words]

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

42. Monty, Randall W., & **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. (In press, 2027). “Teaching participation, exclusion, and finding space to play.” Eric Detweiler and Nathan Kreuter (Eds.), *Spatial Innovations in Rhetoric and Writing*.
43. Sackey, Donnie Johnson. (Forthcoming, 2027). “Ein Baum wächst in Berlin.” In Joshua Trey Barnett, Jennifer Clary-Lemon, & Madison P. Jones (Eds.), *A Rhetorical Arboretum*. [5,702 words]
44. Amidon, Timothy R., & Donnie Johnson Sackey. (Under review, 2026). “Design justice and technologies for smart and connected communities in RHM.” In L. Melonçon, C. Molly, and J. B. Scott (Eds.), *Routledge Handbook of the Rhetoric of Health & Medicine*. Routledge. [6,664 words]
45. **Sackey, Donnie Johnson**. (Submitted, June 2026). “The bloom and the reactor: Jellyfish, nuclear power, and invasive entanglements. Sidney I. Dobrin (Eds.). *Blue Humanities*. Routledge. [4,843 words]
46. Wintermeier, Trent, & **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. (Proposal Submitted, June 2026). “Designing environment, energy, and justice across audible infrastructures.” Proposal prepared for Antonio Ceraso and Jeff Pruchnic’s *Routledge Handbook on Rhetoric and Ethics*.
47. Amidon, Timothy R., & **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. (Proposal Submitted, June 2026). “Predictive environments: AI urbanism and the writing of environmental risk.” Proposal prepared for S. Scott Graham and Casey Boyle (eds.), *Terms of Service: Drawing Lines through AI and Rhetorical Studies*.

Media Appearances and Interviews

Radio and Television Appearances

“A Discussion on Racial Justice and Advocacy.” KVRX. June 16, 2020.
https://www.mixcloud.com/KVRX_Production/a-discussion-on-racial-justice-and-advocacy-6162020/

Interviews:

“Jennifer Mercieca, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, and Ryan Skinnell interviewed by Charles Woods.” *The Big Rhetorical Podcast*. August 31, 2020.

“Donnie Sackey on Racial and Environmental Justice.” *Rhetoricity*. May 25, 2017.
<https://rhetoricity.libsyn.com/donnie-johnson-sackey-on-racial-and-environmental-justice>

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Invited Scholarly Talks and Keynotes

Rachel Dortin & **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. “KiloWHAT?! Energy Literacy as a Tool for Powering Engaged Communities.” National Energy Utility Affordability Coalition Annual Conference. Seattle, WA. May 2026.

“Rhetoric & Life out of Bounds.” Texas Tech University. Department of English. May 2025.

“How Does Community Mean?” Dialogues in Community Writing. Writing and Rhetoric at George Mason University, the University of the District of Columbia, and the Mason Graduate Chapter of the Rhetoric Society of America. [Virtual]. March 2024

“Bugs without Borders: Discursive Practices and the Making of Invasive Species.” Department of English and Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Madison, WI. March 2022.

Temptaous Mckoy, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Ja’La Wourman, Kimberly Harper, Cecilia Shelton, Natasha N. Jones, Constance Haywood. “Black Technical & Professional Communication.” Department of English, Virginia Tech. [Virtual]. November 2020.

“Water Matters.” Biennial Hutton Lecture Series, Department of English, Purdue University. [Virtual]. October 2020.

“Engaging Environment, Designing Justice.” Department of English, Colorado State University. Ft. Collins, CO. March 2020.

“Engaging Environment, Designing Justice.” University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Department of English. Chattanooga, TN. February 2020.

Dawn Opel and **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. “Deep Think Tank: “Building Capacity for Advocacy: Research to Action in Science.” Conference on Community Writing. Philadelphia, PA. October 2019.

“Advocacy After Flint.” *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Pittsburg, PA. March 2019.

“Water Matters.” Co-Keynote. Western States Rhetoric & Literacy Conference. Las Cruces, NM. November 2018.

Deep Think Tank: “Reciprocity in Food and Environmental Justice.” Conference on Community Writing. Boulder, CO. October 2017.

“Human Rights & The Flint, Michigan Water Crisis.” 9th Annual Human Rights & Social Justice Program’s Thirsty for Change Lecture. Miami University, Department of English Miami-Hamilton. Hamilton, OH. November 2016.

“Research Note from Flint: Using Social Media to Bridge Relations.” Co-Keynote. Writing and Digital Environments/Eastern Michigan University (WIDE/EMU) Speaker. Eastern Michigan University. Ypsilanti, MI. October 2016.

“The Curious Case of the Asian Carp.” MARW Visiting Scholar. University of Findlay, Department of English. Findlay, OH. October 2015.

“Designing Mobile Applications for Change. University of Central Florida, Department of Writing Studies. Orlando, FL. September 2013.

“Designing Mobile Applications for Change.” University of Cincinnati, Department of English. Cincinnati, OH. October 2011.

“Designing Arguments through Multimedia.” University of Cincinnati, Department of English. Cincinnati, OH. October 2009.

Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations

Donnie Johnson Sackey. “Roundtable: A Conversation about Academic Publishing: Stories, Strategies, and Survival.” Rhetoric Society of America. Portland, OR. May 2026.

Donnie Johnson Sackey. “When Sensors Speak.” Rhetoric Society of America. Portland, OR. May 2026.

Timothy Amidon, Ehren Helmut Pflugfelder, and **Donnie Johnson Sackey.** “Extractive industry, cascading disaster, and the global climate crisis.” Association for Rhetoric, Science, Technology, and Medicine (ARSTM). Portland, OR. May 2026.

Timothy Amidon and **Donnie Johnson Sackey.** “Considering Inequity and Justice in/for the Design of AI Risk Detection Technologies.” SIGDOC. Fairfax, VA. October 2024.

“Rethinking AI in Environmental Risk Detection.” National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA. November 2024.

“Sustainable Narratives: Designing and Environmental Short Documentary Course.” Computers & Writing. Fort Worth, TX. June 2024.

Respondent. "Witnessing Loss: Rhetoric, Climate Change, and Environmental Justice." Rhetoric Society of America. Denver, CO. June 2024.

Jeff Bennett, Sherri Craig, E Cram, Catherine Gouge, Meredith A. Johnson, Sharon Yam, and **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. Association for Rhetoric, Science, Technology, and Medicine (ARSTM)-Sponsored Roundtable Proposal: The Impact of State Censorship on the Rhetoric of Science, Technology, and Medicine. *Rhetoric Society of America*. Denver, CO. June 2024.

Anne Ruggles Gere, Deborah H. Holdstein, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Amy J. Wan, and M. Remi Yergeau. "Rhetoric, Composition, and Writing Studies at MLA: Histories, Challenges, Possibilities." *Modern Language Association*. Philadelphia, PA. January 2024.

Ehren Pflugfelder, Daniel Richards, Timothy Amidon, and **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, "Many People Have Died So That Technical Communication Could Live." *SIGDOC*. Tampa, FL. October 2023.

"Getting Bed Bugs: Spatial Commitments and Acts of Disclosure." *Rhetoric Society of America*. Baltimore, MD. May 2022

Heidi Harris, Barry Maid, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Michelle Sidler, Julie Staggers. Roundtable: Applied Writing: A Swiss Army Knife Leading to Employment and Social Engagement. *Association of Writing and Rhetoric Studies*. Austin, TX. November 2019.

"Rethinking Consumer Confidence Reports." *SIGDOC*. Portland, OR. October 2019.

"Digital Environments and Bodily Performances of Advocacy." *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Pittsburgh, PA. March 2019.

"Contextualizing Contextualism." *Rhetoric Society of America*. Minneapolis, MN. May 2018.

"Thinking with Water." *Rhetoric Society of America*. Minneapolis, MN. May 2018.

"Writing Devices." *Rhetoric Society of America*. Atlanta, GA. May 2016.

"Thinking to Moving: Using Space." *Rhetoric Society of America*. Atlanta, GA. May 2016.

"Toward A Cultural Rhetorics Inquiry." *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Houston, TX. March 2016.

"Carpe opportunitatem: Developing Disciplinary Diversity for Petcoke." *Science of Team Science (SciTS) Conference*. National Institutes of Health, Bethesda MD. June 2015.

"Visualizing Environmental Justice." *Humanities, Arts, Science and Technology Alliance and Collaboratory (HASTAC)*. East Lansing, MI. June 2015.

“The Challenge of Mapping Environmental Justice.” *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Tampa, FL. March 2015.

“Executive Orders as Rhetorical Actors.” *Association of Teachers of Technical Writing*. Tampa, FL. March 2015.

“Enacting Justice.” *Thomas R. Watson Conference*. Louisville, KY. October 2014.

“Mapping Complexity: Re-tooling Environmental Rhetorics.” *Rhetoric Society of America*. San Antonio, TX. May 2014.

“Encountering Difference: Some Notes on Geography, Digital Objects and Materiality.” *Western States Literacy*. Salt Lake City, UT. October 2013.

McLeod, Michael, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, and Rachel Hodder. “Building a Better Conference Experience with User-Centered Design and Cultural Rhetorics.” *Computers & Writing*. Frostburg, MD. June 2013.

“Mapping complex Environmental Problems: Asian carp & the Actor-Network.” *American Society for Environmental History*. Toronto, ON, Canada. April 2013.

Sackey, Donnie Johnson and Noah Ullmann. “Baked Potato: Supporting User Differences in the US Food System.” *International Professional Communication Conference*. Orlando, FL. October 2012.

“Building a Cultural Rhetorical History of Invasive Species.” *English Graduate Student Association (EGSA) Graduate Conference*. College Station, TX. April 2012.

Sackey, Donnie Johnson and Noah Ullmann. “Baked Potato: Supporting User Differences in the US Food System.” *Computers & Writing*. Raleigh, NC. May 2012.

“Carp Stories: Swimming through an Archive of Invasion.” *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. St. Louis, MO. March 2012.

“Visualizing Data, Encouraging Change: Technical Interventions in Food Purchasing Decisions.” *Association of Teachers of Technical Writing*. St. Louis, MO. March 2012.

“Tracing Ecologies of Writing: Locating Sustainability.” *International Professional Communication Conference*. Cincinnati, OH. October 2011.

“Respondent to Louise Wetherbee Phelps, Paul Prior and Tricia Serviss in Remixing our roots: Three Takes on Relations between Theory and Method.” [Accepted but not presented]. *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Louisville, KY. April 2010.

“Making a Rhetoric of Sustainability: Tracing ‘Local’ Dimensions in Environmental writing.” *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Louisville, KY. April

2010.

Pigg, Stacey, **Donnie Johnson Sackey** and Jennifer Sano. "Feminisms in Rhetoric & Composition Scholarship and Practice." *Feminism(s) and Rhetoric(s)*. East Lansing, MI. October 2009.

"University-communities, Sustainability & Digital Media: Evaluating Online Spaces as Sites for Community Ecological Advocacy." *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. San Francisco, CA. March 2009.

Alexander, Phil, Matt Cox, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Julie Platt, Danielle Nicole DeVoss. "The New Work of the Teaching Philosophy Statement." *Thomas R. Watson Conference*. Louisville, KY. October 2008.

Alexander, Phil, Matt Cox, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Julie Platt, Danielle Nicole DeVoss. "Open-sourcing Ourselves: Remixing and Remediating the Teaching Philosophy Statement." *Computers & Writing*. Athens, GA. May 2008.

Sackey, Donnie Johnson and Darris Saylor. "Interrupting the Tropics of Race: Examining FX's *Black.White*. Through the Lens of Critical Race Theory." *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. New York, NY. April 2007.

Conference Presentations and Panels (non-refereed)

Anne Ruggles Gere, Deborah H. Holdstein, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Amy J. Wan, and M. Remi Yergeau. Roundtable: Rhetoric, Composition, and Writing Studies at the MLA: Histories, Challenges, Possibilities. *Modern Language Association*. Philadelphia, PA. January 2024.

"Octalog IV: The Politics of Rhetorical Studies in 2021." *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Virtual. April 2021.

"Dialog on Cross-Generational Perspectives." [Featured Session]. *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Tampa, FL. March 2015.

Bell III, David F., Matthew K. Gold, Kevin Kee, Cecilia Márquez, Kelli Massa, William Albert Pannacker, and **Donnie Johnson Sackey**. "The Praxis Network: Rethinking Humanities Education, Together and in Public." *Modern Language Association*. Chicago, IL. January 2014.

"History & recognition: Mapping the Local in Rhetoric & Writing." [Featured Session]. *Conference on College Composition and Communication*. Atlanta, GA. April 2011.

Workshops

Joshua Trey Barnett, and Donnie Johnson Sackey, "Rhetorical Ecologies of Care and Design." RSA Institute Seminar, University of Cincinnati. Cincinnati, OH. June 2-5, 2025.

Ralph Cintron, Michelle Kells, and Donnie Johnson Sackey, "Poiseses of the Future: The Transdisciplinarity of Climate Change, Migration, and Land-Based Ethics." RSA Institute Seminar, Penn State University. State College, PA. May 22-25, 2023.

Invited Talks (Community and Public Interest)

"Leveraging Social Media for Engagement: Critical Reflections on Some Environmental Campaigns. Peace Education Center, East Lansing, MI. October 2009.

RESEARCH FUNDING

Sponsored Research Funding

Completed

National Institute of Health 5R21ES027199-02 **2016-2018**
PI: McElmurry, Shawn. College of Engineering, Wayne State University. "RAPID: Response to Contaminants in Flint Drinking Water: Formation of Disinfection By-products in the Distribution System."
Co-PIs: Miller, Carole J. Miller; David K. Pitts, Matthew Seeger.
Co-Is: Kilgore, Paul Evan, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**.
Total funding: \$421,435.

Internal Research Funding

Current

Planet Texas 2050 **2023-present**
Bridging Barriers, Office of the Vice President for Research, Scholarship, and Creative Endeavors, University of Texas at Austin.
Planet Texas 2050 Arts, Design, and Humanities Researchers grant: \$7,000.

Completed

Food@MSU, Michigan State University, RFP: Food Research Grant **2018-2019**
Co-PIs: Opel, Dawn, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Michigan State University. "Improving Data-Driven Approaches to Michigan Food Security and Nutritional Health and Well-Being."
Total Funding: \$10,000.

Institute for Population Studies, Health Assessment, Administration, Services and Economics, Wayne State University, RFP: Environmental Health. **2015-2018**
PI: Caruso, Joseph, Wayne State University. "A Community-based Approach to Study Adolescent Asthma through Personal Monitoring of Airborne Particulate Matter."
Co-PIs: Moldenhauer, Judith, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Nick Schroeck."
Total funding: \$75,000.

Center for Urban Responses to Environmental Stressors, Institute of Environmental

Health Sciences Wayne State University.

2014-2016

PI: Caruso, Joseph, Wayne State University. "Petcoke in an Urban Environment: A Community-based Participatory Model." Cures Pilot Project Program. P30 ES020957

Co-PIs: Giblin, Freda, Shawn McElmurry, Robert Reynolds, **Donnie Johnson Sackey**, Nicholas Schroeck, Paul Stemmer, Judy Westrick, Kezhong Zhang.

Total funding: \$150,000.

ADVISING AND STUDENT-RELATED SERVICE

Exam & Dissertation Committees

University of Texas at Austin

Montez Jennings, English, 2025-present. (Member)
Autumn Reyes, English, 2025-present. (Member)
Trent Wintermeier, English, 2023-present. (Chair)
Clarice Blanco, English, 2023-present. (Member)
Eloisa Moreno, English, 2022-present. (Chair)
Ian Ferris, English, 2023-present (Member)
Hannah Hopkins, Rhetoric & Writing, 2025. (Member)
Drake Gossi, English, 2025. (Member)
Justin Hatch, Ph.D. in English, 2020. (Member)

Wayne State University

Corey Hamilton, English, 2024. (Chair)
Christopher Susak, English, 2024. (Member)
Rachel Dortin, Ph.D. in English, 2020. (Chair)
Hillary Weiss, Ph.D. in English, 2020, (Chair)
Clare Russell, Ph.D. in English, 2020. (Chair)
Matthew Warner, Ph.D. in Communication, 2021. (Member)
Ruth Boeder, Ph.D. in English, 2021. (Member)
Sarah Primeau, Ph.D. in English, 2020. (Member)
Catherine Donaldson, Ph.D. in English, 2019. (Member)
Joe Lewis, Ph.D. in English, 2019. (Member)
Melinda Meyers, Ph.D. in English, 2018. (Member)
Vytautas Malesh, Ph.D. in English, 2017. (Member)
Nicole Varty, Ph.D. in English, 2016. (Member)
Luke Thominet, Ph.D. in English, 2015. (Member)
Cindy Mooty, Ph.D. in English, 2015. (Member)

Masters Committees

Wayne State University

Hind Ababtain, M.A. in English, 2014. (Member).

Undergraduate Honors Theses

University of Texas at Austin

Sydney Meier, Rhetoric & Writing, 2025. (Supervisor).
Samuel Weiss, Polymathic Scholars Program, 2025. (Supervisor).
Liz Reed, Polymathic Scholars Program, 2024. (Second Reader).
Mimi Calzada, Rhetoric & Writing, 2024. (Supervisor).
Jenny Cao, Rhetoric & Writing, 2024. (Supervisor).
Elizabeth Kinker, Polymathic Scholars Program, 2024. (Supervisor).
Shawn Naserio, Health Science Scholars Program, 2023. (Supervisor).
Colleen Crabtree, Rhetoric & Writing, 2023. (Supervisor).
Morgan Wray, Rhetoric & Writing, 2023. (Supervisor).
Azelia Lau, Health Science Scholars Program, 2022. (Supervisor).
Amarachi Ngwakwe, Humanities, 2020. (Supervisor).

Wayne State University

Diana Svinarich, English, 2014. (Supervisor).

Michigan State University

Abigail Lynch, Rhetoric & Writing, 2013. (Supervisor).

Faculty Mentor Undergraduate Programs

University of Texas at Austin

Elizabeth Early, Bridging Disciplines Program | Social Entrepreneurship & Nonprofits, 2021.
Arely Valenzuela, Bridging Disciplines Program | Social Entrepreneurship & Nonprofits, 2021.
Azelia Lau, Bridging Disciplines Program | Environment & Sustainability, 2021.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Departmental Service

Courses taught for Extended Education Ventures, 2023-present.
 Document & Information Design x 3
 Technical Writing x 7
 Writing Policies & Procedures x 6
Graduate Program (Co-director, advising only) 2025.
Lower-Division Curriculum Committee, 2018-2019; 2023-present.
 RHE 309J Proposals Subcommittee, 2018-2019; 2023-present.
 Beyond 309J Proposal Subcommittee, 2023-2024
AI Feedback Subcommittee, 2023-2024. (Chair)
Executive Budget Council, 2021-2022.
Committee on the Major, 2019-2023.
 RHE 317 Alternatives Subcommittee, 2023-2024.
Faculty Recruiting Search Committee, 2019-2020; 2023-2024.

University/College Commencement Participation, 2019; 2021-2023
Department of Rhetoric and Writing Award Committees, 2018-2024
 Hairston Prize Committee, 2019-2022; 2023-2024 (Chair).
 John Slatin Prize Committee, 2018-2019; 2022-2023 (Chair); 2023-2024.
 Kinneavy Prize Committee, 2022-2023.
Graduate Admissions Committee, 2018-2019; 2022-2025; .

University and Local Service

Polymathic Scholars Steering Committee, College of Natural Sciences, 2019-present.
 Field Invention Colloquium Panels, 2019-2023.
 CNS Honors Application Review, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2024.
 Thesis Director Search Committee, 2023-2024.
Smart Cities Faculty Panel, Bridging Disciplines Program, 2018-present.

Professional Service

Committee Membership/Leadership

Modern Language Association (MLA) Delegate Assembly, 2024-present.
MLA Rhetoric, Composition, and Writing Studies (RCWS) Writing Pedagogies, 2023-present.
Conference on Community Writing (CCW) Advisory Board, 2019-present.
Computers & Writing Graduate Research Network (Co-Coordinator), 2018-present.
Association of Teachers of Technical Writing (Treasurer), 2022-2024.
CCCC Scientific and Technical Communication Awards Committee, 2014-2015; (Chair) 2023-2024.
CCW Book Award Committee, 2023-2024.
Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC) Gloria Anzaldúa Rhetorician Award Committee, 2022–2023.
Special Interest Group on Design of Communication (SIGDOC) Conference Program & Proceedings (Co-Chair), 2021-2022.
Association of Teachers of Technical Writing Conference (Co-Chair), 2021-2022.
CCCC Taskforce on Support for Gender Diversity/Trans and Nonbinary Students and Faculty (Co-Chair), 2021-2022.
CCCC Braddock Award Committee (member), 2020-2021; (Chair) 2021-2022.
CCCC Queer Caucus (Co-Chair), 2014-2016; 2019-2022.
CCCC Task Force on Assessing the Experience of African American Male Members of CCCC for Equity, Understanding, and Change within CCCC/NCTE (Chair), 2020-2021.
CCCC Task Force Black Technical Communication, 2020-2021.
CCCC Outstanding Dissertation Award in Technical Communication Committee (Member), 2020-2021.
CCW Nominating Committee (Chair), 2020-2021.
CCW Distinguish Community Engaged Scholar Award (Chair), 2019-2020.
CCCC Executive Committee, 2017-2020.
MLA RCWS History and Theory of Rhetoric Committee, 2016-2021.
CCCC Queer Caucus Standing Panel Co-Chair, 2016–2018.

CCCC Lavender Rhetorics Award for Excellence in Queer Scholarship (Chair), 2016-2017.
CCCC James Berlin Outstanding Dissertation Award Committee, 2015-2016.
CCCC Resolutions Committee, 2015-2016; 2022-2023.
CCCC Stonewall Service Award Committee, 2014-2015.

Journal and Press Editorial Board Membership

Managing Editor, *enculturation: A Journal of Rhetoric, Writing, and Culture*, 2024-present.
Editorial Board Member, *Quarterly Journal of Speech*, 2023-present.
Editorial Board Member, *Rhetoric Society of America*, 2023-present.
Advisory Board Member, X-Series, Parlor Press, 2023-present.
Editorial Board Member, *Technical Communication*, 2021-present.
Editorial Board Member, *Community Literacy Journal*, 2018-present.
Editorial Board Member, *Rhetoric Review*, 2018-present.
Editorial Associate, *Literacy in Composition Studies*, 2018-present.
Special Issue & Response Editor, *enculturation: A Journal of Rhetoric, Writing, and Culture*, 2016-2024.

Peer-Reviewer (ad hoc since 2013)

College Composition and Communication, Communication Design Quarterly, Computers and Composition, Connexions: International Professional Communication Journal, Rhetoric of Health and Medicine.

Professional Memberships

National Communication Association, 2025-present.
Special Interest Group on Design of Communication, 2019-present.
Rhetoric Society of America, 2014-present.
Association of Teachers of Technical Writing, 2012-present.
Modern Language Association, 2012-present.
College Composition and Communication, 2007-present.
National Council of Teachers of English, 2007-present.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2023 Raymond Dickson Centennial Endowed Teaching Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin

2021 Sompayrac Alumni Award, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

2017 President's Award for Excellence in Teaching, Wayne State University

2011 Michigan Campus Compact Heart and Soul Award, Michigan State University

2012 Cultural Heritage Informatics Fellow

2010 College of Arts & Letters Merit Fellow, Michigan State University

2009 Andrew E. Rasmussen Fellow, Michigan State University

LANGUAGES

English (Native or C2.2: Speaking, Writing, Reading), German (B2.2 or Fluent: Speaking, Writing, Reading), Classical Latin (Advanced Reading), Classical Greek (Intermediate Reading)