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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor—School of Interdisciplinary Studies, Grand Valley State University	2023-
Associate Professor—Integrative, Religious, and Intercultural Studies, Grand Valley State University	2022-2023
Assistant Chair—Integrative, Religious, and Intercultural Studies, Grand Valley State University	2021-2023
Assistant Professor—Integrative, Religious, and Intercultural Studies, Grand Valley State University	2017-2022
Program Coordinator, Leadership Certificate and Integrative Studies Leadership Emphasis	2020-2021

EDUCATION

Certificate, College Student Wellbeing, Trauma, and Resilience Florida State University Online

2023

Doctor of Philosophy, Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, US

2017

"Generations of Removal: Child Removal of Native Children in Eastern Washington State Through Compulsory Education, Foster Care, Adoption, and Juvenile Justice"

Graduate-Level Coursework, Communications Studies

2009-2011

Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA, US

Focus in Cultural Communication and Instructional Communication

Master of Arts with Honours; Women's Studies and Feminist Research

University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

2005

Bachelor of Arts; Major: Sociology, Concentration: Women's Studies

Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA, US

2001

EDITORIAL DUTIES

Managing Editor, Feral Feminisms	2018-2021
Graduate Administrative Assistant, Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies	2016-2017

Referee/Reviewer: Sexualities, Journal of European Cinema, Journal of Homosexuality, Journal of Family Issues, Journal of Lesbian Studies, Feminist Theory, NORA – The Nordic Journal of Feminist and Gender Research, Research on Diversity in Youth Literature

PUBLICATIONS

*indicates manuscripts co-written with students

Book (Refereed)

1. (2024). Reproductive Justice, Adoption, and Foster Care with Tanya Saroj Bakhru (Routledge).

Publications (Refereed)

1. (Submitted 8/2025). Feminist Prison Abolition Pedagogy: When Nobody is Disposable in Times of Crisis, Radical Teacher.

- 2. (Invited essay, accepted, forthcoming). Taking Children, Not Child Saving: The Juvenile Justice System and Taking of Indigenous Children. *Feminist Movements in North American History* (DeGruyter), edited by Rebecca Brückmann, Silke Hackenesch, and Charlotte Lerg.
- 3. * (2025). Rachael McCollum & **Krista L. Benson.** Disability (In)Justice: Disabled Scholars in an Ableist World. *Betrayal U: The Politics of Belonging in Higher Education* (The Feminist Wire, University of Arizona Press), edited by Rebecca Martínez and Monica J. Casper, 213-221.
- 4. * (2024). Tate Johanek & Krista L. Benson. Thirsty Sword Lesbians. <u>Learning, Education & Games Vol 4: 50</u>
 <u>Games to Use for Inclusion, Equity, and Justice</u> (ETC Press/Carnegie Mellon University), edited by Kat Schrier, Rachel Kowert, Diana Leonard, and Tarja Porkka-Konturi, 231-235.
- 5. (2023). BreakOUT!: Queer and Trans of Color Activism in New Orleans. <u>Critical Geographies of Youth: Law, Policy, and Politics</u> (West Virginia University Press), 126-141.
- 6. (2022). <u>Erosions of Settler State Recognition of Sovereignty and Reproductive Justice</u>. Adoption Studies Perspectives on the Impacts of *Dobbs* Special Issue, *Adoption & Culture*, 10(2), 225-230.
- (2020). Maia L. Butler, April Petillo, Shylah Pacheco Hamilton, Krista L. Benson. <u>A Hopeful Decolonial Rhizome: An Invitation</u>, Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies, "Sowing the Seeds: Decolonial Practices and Pedagogies" Colloquium, 41(2), 128-142.
 - a. Highlighted in *The Society for the Study of Southern Literature 54*(2), "Moving Toward Decolonial Feminist Collaborative Praxis and Pedagogy," February 2021.
- 8. (2020). Carrying Stories of Incarcerated Indigenous Women as Tools for Prison Abolition, Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies, "Sowing the Seeds: Decolonial Practices and Pedagogies" Colloquium, 41(2), 143-167.
- 9. (2020). "They Say I'm Gonna Be Their Little Girl": The Co-Creation of the Dangerous Queer and the Racialized Rapeable Subject in *Beyond Scared Straight* in *Sexuality, Human Rights and Public Policy*, edited by Chima Korieh. Madison, NJ: Fairleigh Dickinson University Press.
- 10. (2019). Margins of Identity: Queer-Identified Polyamorous Women's Navigation of Identity, in *Expanding the Rainbow: Exploring the Relationships of Bi+*, *Trans, Ace, Polyam, Kink, and Intersex People*, edited by Brandy L. Simula, J. Sumerau, and Andrea Miller. Rotterdam, NL: Sense Publishers, 95-105.
- 11. (2019). Indigenous Reproductive Justice after *Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl* (2013) in <u>Reproductive Justice and Sexual Rights: Transnational Perspectives</u>, edited by Tanya Saroj Bakhru. London: Routledge, 85-104.
- 12. (2019). What's in a Pronoun?: Trans Kids and Misgendering in Juvenile Justice Systems in Washington State. "What's In a Noun?" Special Issue (ed. Mimi Marinucci), *The Journal of Homosexuality*, 67(12), 1691-1712.
- 13. (2017). <u>Tensions of Subjectivity: The Instability of Queer Polyamorous Identity and Community</u>. Sexualities, 20 (1-2), 24-40.

Public History

1. Feminisms Online Oral History Project https://feminismsonline.omeka.net/. Coordinator & Lead Primary Investigator. Conducted oral histories. Created interactive website with Undergraduate Research Assistant Madison Gurley (GVSU, '25). Website features research and ongoing projects.

Invited Essays (Editor-Refereed)

1. (2022). A Critical Lens on U.S. "State Care": Foster Care, Racism, and Colonization. Adoption & Culture, 10 (1), 96-115.

Multimedia Scholarly Work (Non-Refereed)

1. (Forthcoming). Janelle Malagon, Alisha Karabinus, Krista L. Benson. GLHF: A Pedagogy Podcast.

 (Jan. 2021). Krista L. Benson, April Petillo, Shylah Pacheco Hamilton, and Maia L. Butler. <u>Thinking</u>, <u>Talking</u>, Writing Collectively: An Approach to Decolonial Feminist Praxis and Pedagogy, Frontiers Augmented.

Edited Work and Book Reviews

- 1. (2018). Book Review: Beyond Settler Time: Temporal Sovereignty and Indigenous Self-Determination, Mark Rifkin. Feminist Theory, 19(3), 392-393.
- (2018). Raminder Kuar, Maggie O'Neill, Nicola Henry, and Krista Benson. <u>Virtual Roundtable on Mapping Gendered Violence</u>. Anastasia Christou and Cindy Cruz (eds.), *Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies*, 39(2), 233-264.
- (2017). Leslie Bow, Avatar Brah, Mishuana Goeman, Diane Harriford, Shari M. Huhndorf, AnaLouise Keating, Yi-Chun Tricia Lin, Laura Pérez, Zenaida Peterson, Becky Thompson and Tiffany Willoughby-Herrard. "Combahee River Collective Statement: A 40th anniversary retrospective," Kristen Kolenz, Krista Benson, Judy Tzu-Chun Wu (eds.), Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies, 38(3), 164-189.
- 4. (2014). Book Review: Occupy! Scenes from an Occupied America. Human Geography, 7(1), 121-123.

Popular Media

- 1. "Feminism 101: What do feminists think of burkinis?," by Avital Norman Nathman, groknation.com, September 5, 2016.
- 2. "Ask A Raging Feminist: Women share their "If Donald Trump becomes president' plans," by Avital Norman Nathman, sheknows.com. March 9. 2016.
- 3. "Interview with Christopher Emdin and Hip Hop in Education," interview by Krista Benson, Writers Talk. WBCE/90.5 FM. February 21, 2013.
- 4. "Interview with Hannah Rosin: The End of Men and the Rise of Women," interview by Krista Benson, Writers Talk. WBCE/90.5 FM. November 21, 2012.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Grand Valley State University

Integrative Studies and Intercultural Communication

- Introduction to Intercultural Competence (ITC 100): Winter 2018
- Diversity in the United States (INT 201): Fall 2017
- Diversity in the United States (INT 201, hybrid): Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Winter 2019, Fall 2019
- Diversity in the United States (INT 201, online, asynchronous): Fall 2018, Fall 2019
- Diversity in the United States (INT 201, online, asynchronous, compressed session): Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2024
- Interdisciplinary Research Methods (INT 301): Winter 2019, Fall 2019
- Interdisciplinary Research Methods (INT 301, hybrid, compressed session): Winter 2020, Fall 2020,
 Winter 2021, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Winter 2025; Spring 2025, Winter 2026
- LGBTQ Identities (INT 325): Fall 2017, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2024
- Sexuality, Justice, and Advocacy (INT/WGS 326): Winter 2020
- Leadership for Social Change (INT 341, compressed session, online): Winter 2023
- American Society & Media (INT/SOC 366, hybrid): Fall 2018
- Internship (INT 490, conventional session, online): Spring/Summer 2022
- Practicum (INT 491, conventional & compressed session, online): Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Spring/Sumer 2021, Fall 2021, Winter 2022, Spring/Summer 2022, Fall 2022, Winter 2023

Digital Studies Minor

- Identity and Representation in Digital Culture (DS 340): Winter 2019, Winter 2020, Winter 2021, Winter 2022, Winter 2023
- Digital Studies Capstone (DS 495): Fall 2024, Fall 2025

Honors College

• Embodied Honors Sequence (HNR 151/152/153/154): Fall 2025, Winter 2026

Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

- Introduction to LGBT Studies (WGS 224): Winter 2025
- Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Research Methods (WGS 395, combined with an INT 301 course): Fall 2025

Graduate Student Supervision

- Knicki Karsies (MA, Social Innovation, Grand Valley State University), Graduated: May 2023
- Landon Nalepinski (MA, Social Innovation, Grand Valley State University), "Post-COVID-19 Teaching with Technology Support in Higher Education," Graduated: December 2022
- Samantha Mayse (MA, Social Innovation, Grand Valley State University), "Elements of Early Warning Systems: Identifying Students Who Need Support Early Enough to Change Their Trajectory Towards Graduation," Graduated: December 2022

Undergraduate Student Research Supervision

- Faculty Primary Investigator: Carly FarzanPanah, "Freak Shows" (Winter/Summer/Fall 2025)
- Faculty Primary Investigator: Sarah Johnson, "Educational Experiences of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students at Northview High School" (Winter/Summer 2025)
- Faculty Primary Investigator: Victor Humphries, "Electronic Device Usage as Incentive to Engage Students" (Fall 2024 and Winter 2025)
- Undergraduate Research Assistant—Summer Supervisor: Madison Gurley, "Anti-Racist/Queer/Feminist Political and Personal Identities on Early Social Media" (Summer 2024)
- Honors Senior Project Supervisor: Casey Classen, "Dylan's Dinosaur Party: Children's Books and Destignatizing Accommodations for All Children" (Fall 2022)
- Honors Senior Project Supervisor: Andrew VanOort, "Community Cafés, Literature, and Innovative Leadership" (Fall 2022)
- Faculty Primary Investigator: Meggie Kwiatkowski, "Mental Health Awareness and Acceptance in West Michigan Workplaces" (Spring/Summer 2022)
- Honors Senior Project Supervisor: Julia Gorczyk, "Economic Impacts and Drivers of Chinese International Adoption" (Winter 2022)
- Research Practicum Supervisor: Jaime Castillo, "Critical Anti-Racist Abolitionist Pedagogy and Course Design" (Summer 2021), Co-Instructor & Mentor, "Voices from the Inside: Critical Carceral Studies and Experiences of Incarcerated People" (Spring 2022, cancelled for enrollment)
- Faculty Primary Investigator: Cory Kavanaugh, "Teaching with Technology to Increase Student Engagement" survey conducted for capstone (Summer 2021)
- Faculty Primary Investigator: Ciara Wilkins, "Mental Health Access and Attitudes in African American Communities" survey to be conducted for capstone (Summer 2021)
- McNair Co-Mentor, Tate Johanek, Queer Identity and Sleepover Culture (Summer 2021)
- Independent Study: G. Angel, "Queer and Trans* Pedagogies," (Fall 2020)

- Independent Research Project: Rachael McCollum, focused on feminist disability studies and institutional failure (Summer/Fall 2020), resulting in "Disability (In)Justice" book chapter (see publications)
- Honors Senior Project Faculty Supervisor: Domonique Palmer, "Setting Up African American Students for Educational and Cultural Success at Primarily White Institutions" (Winter 2020)
- Research Practicum Supervisor: Catherine Bouchard, focused on LGBT-Affirming Educational Practices in Middle and High Schools (Fall 2019)
- Research Practicum Faculty Supervisor: Hannah Nichols, focused on Indigenous Child Removal Historical Archive Coding and Data Management (Summer 2019)
- Honors Senior Project Co-Supervisor: J.R. Morrish, "both/and: Queer Mechanics and Narratives in Queer Game" (Winter 2019)
 - o Honorable Mention for Outstanding Creative Achievement Award, GVSU Honors College
- Research Practicum Faculty Supervisor: Sam Bloom, focused on LGBT History in West Michigan (Fall 2018)

The Ohio State University

Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Department

- Gender, Sex, & Power (WGSS 1110): Spring 2013
- Introduction to Queer Studies (WGSS 2282/ENG 2282): Autumn 2013, Autumn 2015, Spring 2016)
- Women & Violence (WGSS 2350, online): Autumn 2014
- Reading U.S. Women Writers (WGSS 2367.01), Spring 2014
- Reading U.S. Women Writers (WGSS 2367.01, online, compressed session): Summer 2016
- Reading Black Women Writers (WGSS 2367.04, compressed session): Summer 2014
- Reading Black Women Writers (WGSS 2367.04, online): Spring 2015
- Reading Black Women Writers (WGSS 2367.04, online, compressed session): Summer 2015
- Graduate Teaching Fellow, focus on building tools for effective online instruction, 2016-2017

University Center for the Advancement of Teaching

- Teaching & Learning Session 1, New TA Orientation: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
- Teaching & Learning Session 2, New TA Orientation: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

Eastern Washington University

Career Services

Career Development (CRSV 201): Spring 2010, Winter 2011, Spring 2011, Winter 2012, Spring 2012

Women's and Gender Studies Department

• Issues in Feminism (WOMS 301): Autumn 2011

SELECTED AWARDS AND GRANTS

Awards

Pew Teaching with Technology Award, Grand Valley State University	2021
Faculty Engagement Award, Milton E. Ford LGBT Resource Center, Grand Valley State University	2019
Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship Honorable Mention	2016
Graduate Assistant Teaching Award, Ohio State University Graduate Studies	2016
OSU University Housing Annual Faculty & Academic Partner Award	2014
Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Common Differences Writing Award, Graduate Student	2014
Eastern Washington University Student Affairs Starfish Award	2012

Community Partner Recognition Award, OutSpokane	2006
Research Grants	
Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence Collaboration Grant (\$10,000), GVSU	2022
NEH Summer Institute "Towards a People's History of Landscape" (\$2800), Dumbarton Oaks	2022
Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence Pre-Tenure Supplement (\$3000), GVSU	2018
Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence Catalyst Grant (\$4000), GVSU	2018
Arts & Humanities Small Research Grant, Ohio State University	2016
Diversity and Identity Studies Collective at OSU Small Grant	2015
Arts & Sciences Small Research Grant, Ohio State University	2014
OSU Criminal Justice Research Center Graduate Student Summer Research Grant	2014
Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Graduate Student Research Grant, Ohio State University	2014
Elizabeth D. Gee Grants for Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies Research, Ohio State University	2014
Teaching Grants	
Undergraduate Research Assistant—Summer, GVSU Center for Undergraduate Scholar Engagement	2024
Pew Faculty Teaching & Learning Center Teaching Innovation Grant (\$9000)	2019
• Co-applicants: Caél Keegan (IRIS and WGSS) & Laurence José (Writing and Digital Studies)	
Pew Faculty Teaching & Learning Center Sponsored Learning Grant, RTTP Institute at Barnard	2019
Grand Valley State University Digital Humanities Summer Institute Scholarship, University of Victoria	
Brooks College Dean's Office Supplemental Travel Fund, Digital Humanities Summer Institute	2018
Program Grants	
Associated Students of Eastern Washington University Executive Committee, \$3,200	2011
Eastern Washington University Mini-Grant, Weaving the Threads Women's Empowerment, \$1,200	2011
Washington Campus Compact Mini-Grant, \$3,000	2010
Eastern Washington University Tech Fee Grant, Banner Feed to Symplicity CSM, \$4,000	2010
Eastern Washington University Mini-Grant, Work It! Career Conference, \$1,100	2010
Washington Campus Compact Mini-Grant, \$3,000	2009
OutSpokane Pride Grant, \$4,000	2006
RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING	
Faculty Teaching and Learning Sandbox Grant, Grand Valley State University	2025
Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Sponsored Event Grant, Grand Valley State University	2023
(FSU online, "GVSU Cohort Professional Certification in College Student Wellbeing, Trauma, and Resilien	ce")
Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Sponsored Event Grant, Grand Valley State University	
(Magna Publications "Developing and Teaching an Online Course")	2020
Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Sponsored Event Grant, Grand Valley State University	
(19th Annual Reacting to the Past Faculty Institute at Barnard. New York, NY)	2019
Travel Subsidy, Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies, Grand Valley State University	
(Digital Humanities Summer Institute. Victoria, BC, Canada)	2018
Travel and Tuition Subsidy, Pew Faculty Teaching and Learning Center, Grand Valley State University	
(Digital Humanities Summer Institute. Victoria, BC, Canada)	2018
Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Conference Travel Grant, Grand Valley State University	
(American Indian Association. Tempe, AZ)	2018
Small Research Grant, Ohio State University Arts & Humanities Grant (National Women's Studies	
Association, Montreal, Canada)	2016

Baxter Travel Grant, American Studies Association (American Studies Association, Denver, CO)	2016
Graduate Student Travel Grant, OSU Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	
(National Women's Studies Association and American Studies Association, \$600)	2016
Career Development Grant, OSU Council of Graduate Student. (Native American and Indigenous Studies	
Conference. Honolulu, HI)	2016
Ray Travel Grant for Service, OSU Council of Graduate Students. (Native American and Indigenous	
Studies Conference. Honolulu, HI)	2016
Small Research Grant, Ohio State University Arts & Humanities Grant (field research in Spokane, WA)	2016
Graduate Student Travel Grant, OSU Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	
(National Women's Studies Association Conference, Milwaukee, WI)	2015
International Travel Grant, OSU Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (Critical Ethnic Studies	
Association. Toronto, Canada)	2015
Diversity and Identity Studies Collective at OSU Small Grant (Critical Ethnic Studies Association.	
Toronto, Canada)	2015
Ohio State University Arts & Sciences Small Research Grant (National Women's Studies Association	
Conference. San Juan, PR)	2014
Graduate Student Travel Grant, OSU Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	
(National Women's Studies Association Conference. San Juan, PR)	2014
Elizabeth D. Gee Grants for Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies Research (field research in	
Spokane and Seattle, WA)	2014
OSU Criminal Justice Research Center Graduate Student Summer Research Grant (field research	
in Spokane, WA)	2014
Graduate Student Travel Grant, National Women's Studies Association (National Women's Studies	
Association. San Juan, PR)	2014
Graduate Student Travel Grant, OSU Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	
(Sexuality, Public Policy, and Human Rights Conference)	2014
Ray Travel Grant for Service, OSU Council of Graduate Students (Sexuality, Public Policy, and Human	
Rights Conference. Milwaukee, WI)	2014
Diversity and Identity Studies Collective at OSU Small Grant (Sexuality, Public Policy, and Human	
Rights Conference. Milwaukee, WI)	2014

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant	Dr. Devin Fergus	Apr. 2015-Mar. 2016
Graduate Research Assistant	Dr. Lynn Itagaki	May 2013-Mar. 2016
Graduate Research Assistant	Drs. Mary Thomas and Thomas Davis	June-Aug. 2015
Summer Research Intern	Kirwan Center for the Study of Race & Ethnicity	June-Aug. 2013

PRESENTATIONS

Training/Workshop Facilitation

- (2021). Co-Facilitator with Jae Basiliére, Sharifa Patel, and Ela Przybylo. "Equity in Digital Publishing" Digital Humanities @ Guelph Summer Institute, Guelph, ON.
- (2020). Co-Facilitator with Jae Basiliére, Sharifa Patel, Ela Przybylo, and Amy Verhaeghe. "Equity in Digital Publishing" Digital Humanities @ Guelph Summer Institute, Guelph, ON. (cancelled—COVID-19).
- (2017). Co-Facilitator with Kimberly McKee. "Online Public Intellectual Work Through Social Media" Digital Humanities @ Guelph Summer Institute, Guelph, ON. May 8-11.

(2008). Invited

Co-Facilitator with Theresa Posakony. "Creating Pathways for Community Partnership in Sexual Assault Advocacy & Prevention" – Executive Training at the 2008 Manager's Institute for the Washington Coalition for Sexual Assault Prevention: Spokane, WA, USA. May 18.

Conference Presentations: Presenter and/or Organizer

- (2025). Presenter, "Author Panel and Discussion: Critical Geographies of Youth: Law, Policy, and Power" American Association of Geographers, March 25.
- (2024). Presenter, "Adoption Rhizomes: Interconnections of the Indian Adoption Project and the Korean Adoption Project" National Women's Studies Association, November 13-17.
- (2024). Presenter, Organizer "Reproductive Justice, Adoption, and Foster Care Roundtable" with Tanya S. Bakhru, Kimberly McKee, Shannon Gibney, Roo Ramos, and Lizbett Benge National Women's Studies Association, November 13-17.
- (2023). Presenter, "Geographies of Care, Contested Bodies" with Diane S. Nititham, Tanya S. Bakhru, and Lori Askeland (chair) National Women's Studies Association, October 26-29.
- (2023). Presenter, "Empowering Learners with ChatGPT: A Collaborative Approach to Ethical and Accessible Use" with Dan Cope, Eli Klunder (GVSU undergraduate student), and Rebecca Williams National Women's Studies Association, October 26-29.
- (2023). Presenter, "Excavating Adoption and Fostering within the U.S. Archives" with Kelly Condit-Shrestha, Shawn Domyancinch-Lee, Kimberly McKee, and Kit Myers 19th Berkshire Conference: Santa Clara, CA: June 28-July 2.
- (2022). Presenter, Organizer, "Anti-Racist Feminist Pedagogy in 'Unexpected Places'" with Dan Cope, Sai Isoke, Marie Lerma, and Hope Sample National Women's Studies Association: Minneapolis, MN.
- (2021). Presenter, Co-Organizer, "Seeding Change: Decolonial Practices and Pedagogies Across African Diasporic and Indigenous Contexts" with Maia Butler, Shylah Pacheco Hamilton, April Petillo, and Wanda Pillow National Women's Studies Association: virtual, November 16.
- (2021). Presenter, Organizer, "Where is the 'Care' in Foster Care?: A Roundtable Discussion," with Lori Askeland, Tanya Saroj Bakhru, and Lizbett Benge Alliance for the Study of Adoption and Culture: virtual, October 22.
- (2020). Presenter, Co-Organizer, "Seeding Change: Decolonial Practices and Pedagogies Across African Diasporic and Indigenous Contexts" with Maia Butler, Shylah Pacheco Hamilton, April Petillo, and Wanda Pillow National Women's Studies Association: Minneapolis, MN, November. (cancelled—COVID-19).
- (2020). Presenter, "Un/Documented Souths" Roundtable with Joanna Davis-McElligat, Frank Cha, Stephanie Roundtree, Megan Feifer, and Jung Tae Kim Modern Language Association: Seattle, WA, January 9-12.
- (2019). Presenter, "Reproductive Justice and Sexual Rights: Transnational Perspectives" Panel with Tanya Saroj Bakhru, Soma de Bourbon, and Erin Heinz – National Women's Studies Association: San Francisco, CA, November 14-17.
- (2019). Panelist, "On Having a PhD in 'Grievance Studies' in the Era of Trump" Roundtable with Jae Basiliére, Gwendolyn Beethman, Saidah Isoke, Mihaliah Little, J.B. Scott, and Evangeline Heiliger National Women's Studies Association: San Francisco, CA, November 14-17.
- (2019). Panelist, "On the Im/possibilities of Anti-racist and Decolonial Publishing as Pedagogical Praxis" Roundtable with Amy Verhaeghe, Ela Przybylo, Sharifa Patel, and Jae Basiliére, National Women's Studies Association: San Francisco, CA, November 14-17.
- (2019). Co-presenter, "On the Im/Possibilities of Anti-racist and Decolonial Publishing as Pedagogical Praxis" with Amy Verhaeghe, Sharifa Patel, and Ela Przybylo Women's and Gender Studies et Recherches Féministes, Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences: Vancouver, BC, June 1-4.

- (2018). Presenter, "'Meet Waiting [Indigenous] Children': The Northwest Adoption Exchange and Profiles of Adoptable Native Children in Foster Care" Alliance for the Study of Adoption and Culture: Oakland, CA, October 18-20.
- (2018). Presenter, "U.S. Juvenile Justice Systems' "Disproportionate Minority Contact" with Indigenous Youth: A Legacy of Colonial Child Removal" Canadian Association of Cultural Studies Association Canadienne des Études Culturelles Carceral Cultures Conference: Vancouver, BC, Canada, March 1-4.
- (2018). Presenter & Moderator, "Juvenile Justice, Indigenous Youth, and the Limits of 'Disproportionate Minority Contact" American Indian Studies Association: Tempe, AZ, February 1-2.
- (2017). Panelist, "Women of Color, Borderlands, and Indigenous Feminisms: Reflections on the Combahee River Collective Statement" Roundtable with Mishuana Goeman, AnaLouise Keating, Laura Perez, and Kristen Kolentz, organized by the *Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies* editorial collective. National Women's Studies Association: Baltimore, MD, November 16-19.
- (2016). Presenter, Panel Organizer, "Failing at Family, Taken from Home: Native Youth Removal Through Juvenile Justice, Adoption, and Education" American Studies Association: Denver, CO. November 17-20.
- (2016). Presenter, Roundtable Co-Organizer. "Performing Failure: Unsettling Academic Narratives of Merit and Success" Roundtable with Qwo-Li Driskill, Alison Kafer (unable to attend), Cael Keegan (co-organizer), and Kimberly McKee– National Women's Studies Association: Montreal, November 10-13.
- (2016). Presenter, "The Precarity of In State Care' Relating Juvenile Justice and Compulsory Education of Spokane, Kalispel, and Confederated Colville Youth" Native American and Indigenous Studies Association: Honolulu, HI. May 18-21.
- (2015). Presenter, Panel Organizer. "Constraining the Native Queer: Imposition of Heteronormativity on Native Youth Through Settler Education and Juvenile Justice" National Women's Studies Association: Milwaukee, WI. November 12-15.
- (2015). Presenter. "The Precarity of 'In State Care' Fostering, Juvenile Justice, and Compulsory Education" National Women's Studies Association: Milwaukee, WI. November 12-15.
- (2015). Presenter. "Kill the Indian to Save the Child: Settler State Education and Juvenile Justice Systems as Colonial Projects" Critical Ethnic Studies Association: Toronto, ON. April 30-May 3.
- (2014). Panelist. "The Experiences of Women of Color in WGSS Graduate Programs: An Open Discussion." Roundtable with Sierra Austin, Denise Delgado, Kimberly McKee, and Judy Tzu-Chun Wu National Women's Studies Association: San Juan, PR. November 13-16.
- (2014). Presenter. "Dangerous Sexual Non-Citizens: Trans* Youth in the Juvenile Justice System" National Women's Studies Association: San Juan, PR. November 13-16.
- (2014). Presenter. "'They Say I'm Gonna Be Their Little Girl': The Co-Creation of the Dangerous Queer and the Racialized Rapeable Subject in Beyond Scared Straight" Queer Practices, Places, and Lives II: Columbus, OH. May 16-17.
- (2014). Presenter. "'They Say I'm Gonna Be Their Little Girl': The Co-Creation of the Dangerous Queer and the Racialized Rapeable Subject in Beyond Scared Straight" Sexuality, Public Policy, and Human Rights Conference: Milwaukee, WI. April 23-24.
- (2012). Presenter, Panel Organizer. "Never Have To Answer When Are You Available For An Appointment? Again: Best Practices in the Use of NACElink CSM" NACELink/Symplicity National Symposium: Las Vegas, NV. June 13.
- (2005). Presenter. "Ready? Ok!: Radical Cheerleading and the Habermasian Public Sphere" Postgraduate Women's Studies Conference, University of Manchester: Manchester, UK. May 5.
- (2005). Presenter. "Wearing Hearts Upon Our Sleeves: History of the Western Tattooed Female Body" Postgraduate History Conference, University of Manchester: Manchester, UK. March 4.

Conference Presentations: Moderator/Chair/Facilitator

- (2018). Session Chair and Commenter, "Abundant Ecologies, Femme Aesthetics, and Emergent Bodies: Performance in the Age of Ruin"—American Studies Association, Atlanta, GA., November 8-11.
- (2017). Session Chair and Commenter, "Pedagogies of (Resistance to) Neoliberalism" American Studies Association: Chicago, IL. November 9-12.
- (2016). Session Chair, "Getting Physical: Bodies in Motion" Native American and Indigenous Studies Association: Honolulu, HI. May 18-21.
- (2014). Moderator. "Refiguring Normativity: Rethinking the Role of the Nation in Regulating Desirable Subjectivities and Possibilities for Resistance" National Women's Studies Association: San Juan, PR. November 13-16.
- (2014). Discussant. "Body Politics Paper Workshop" Transnational Feminisms Summer Institute: Columbus, OH. July 7-11.
- (2011). Discussion Chair. "Pragmatist Ecologies" Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy: Spokane, WA. March 12.

Academic Presentations

- (2024). Invited Guest Lecturer, "Indigenous Transnational Adoption, Foster Care, & the Law," University of Maryland, LAW 896.514: Special Topics in the Law, virtual, September 17.
- (2024). Invited Guest Lecturer, "Reproductive Justice & Brackeen v. Haaland (2023)," -- Sogang University, AMC 3098 / 미국문화특강 I: Child Separation & Removal, virtual. May 8.
- (2024). Invited Co-Presenter, "Reproductive Justice, Adoption, & Foster Care," San José State University, WGSS 114: Politics of Mothering and Reproduction, virtual. April 17, virtual. With Tanya Saroj Bakhru.
- (2024). Invited Co-Presenter, "Reproductive Justice Book Talk and Q&A Panel," Ohio State University, Sponsored by the Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Department and the Center for Belonging and Social Change." March 6, virtual. With Tanya Saroj Bakhru.
- (2023). Invited Co-Presenter, "Reproductive Justice, Adoption, & Foster Care," Ohio State University, WGSS 8800: "Special Topics in WGSS: Reproductive Justice," October 5. With Tanya Saroj Bakhru.
- (2023). Presenter, "GVSU LEADS Model: Reaching Higher in Adult and Lifetime Learning," Grand Valley State University, Reach Higher Showcase, March. With Heather Wallace, Justin Pettibone, and Kate VanderKolk.
- (2021). Presenter, "Reimagining Public Safety in Grand Rapids" Grand Valley State University, 2021 Teach-In: Power, Privilege, Difficult Dialogues, November 10 and 11. With Arly Winchester and Rachel Anderson.
- (2020). Invited Guest Speaker, Intersectionality & Weaving Decolonial Futures, GNDR 6500: Debates in Gender Studies, University of Utah, virtual. December 1. With Maia Bulter.
- (2020). Panelist, Maintaining the Status Quo, Turning on the Light of Truth: A Teach-In for Social Justice & Racial Equity, virtual. July 22.
- (2019). Panelist & Manuscript Workshop Participant, Frontiers September 2019 Colloquia Visit, Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies and School for Social and Cultural Transformation: University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. September 15-16.
- (2018). Panelist, *Sins Invalid: An Unshamed Claim to Beauty* Film Screening and Faculty Panel Discussion, Milton E. Ford LGBT Resource Center, Grand Valley State University: Allendale, MI. February 7.
- (2017). Panelist, "A Celebration of Feminist Publishing Roundtable and Frontiers at OSU," Ohio State University, Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies: Columbus, OH. April 3.
- (2015). Guest Instructor, "Cathy Cohen's New Left Coalitional Politics and Coalition Workshop," Eastern Washington University Department of Women's and Gender Studies, Course: Sex and Gender: Cheney, WA. May 21.

- (2015). Guest Instructor, "Gender As Inscribed On the Body," Eastern Washington University Department of Women's and Gender Studies, Course: Issues in Women's and Gender Studies: Spokane, WA. January 27.
- (2015). Panelist, "Militarization of Civilian Police Forces" In #BlackLivesMatter Teach-In: Public Safety and Criminal Justice panel, Eastern Washington University: Cheney, WA. January 16.
- (2013). Presenter, "Locked Up and Locked Out: The Criminalization of LGBT Youth" OSU Diversity & Identity Studies Collective (DISCO) Grad Caucus Brown Bag Graduate Series: Columbus, OH. March 7.
- (2013). Panelist, "Equality on the Line: Local Food Culture and a Story of Bystander Intervention" The Food and Culture Colloquium, Dennison University: Granville, OH. January 23.
- (2006). Workshop Coordinator, "Safer Sex: Women Who Have Sex With Women" open student body presentation sponsored by LGBTA Student Organization, Eastern Washington University: Spokane, WA. November 9.
- (2006). Presenter, "Did It Hurt?: Gender, Pain, and Tattooing" Women's Studies Program Brown Bag Lunch Series, Eastern Washington University: Cheney, WA. October 31.
- (2006). Presenter, "Lesbian and Gay Identity and Politics in Washington" Pride Week Speaker's Series, Washington State University: Pullman, WA. April 12.

Invited Presentations to Student Groups

- (2020). Presenter, "Gender Expression/Presentation/Identity in Online Environments" Grand Valley State University, Queer and Trans Meet-Up. November 16.
- (2014). Presenter, "Gender/Sexuality: It's a Tricky Maze" Ohio State University, Morrill Residence Hall Faculty Speaker Series. September 28.
- (2014). Presenter, "Locked Up and Locked Out: The Criminalization of LGBT Youth" Ohio State University, Delta Xi Phi Cultural Event Series: Columbus, OH. February 11.
- (2013). Presenter, "Trans* and Gender Nonconforming People in College Environments" Ohio State University, Park Stradley Residence Hall Faculty Speaker Series. October 25.
- (2013). Presenter, "Gender/Sexuality: It's a Tricky Maze" Ohio State University, Lambda LGBT Greek Life Education Series: Columbus, OH. April 15.
- (2013). Presenter, "Did It Hurt? Racialized Histories of Tattooed Women's Bodies in the U.S." Ohio State University, Delta Xi Phi Cultural Event Series: Columbus, OH. March 19.
- (2010). Invited Presenter. "Unconventional Careers: International Work and Volunteering in a Changing World" Work It! Career Conference, Eastern Washington University: Spokane, WA. May 10, 2009 and May 7.
- (2007). Panelist, "Coming Out" panel presentation for "Gay and Lesbian Issues in Social Work" MSW course, Eastern Washington University: Spokane, WA. April 18.
- (2006). Presenter, "Queer Issues in Social Work" panel presentation for "Diversity and Social Work" MSW course, Eastern Washington University: Cheney, WA. March 20.
- (2005). Panelist, "Campus as Closet: the LGBT Experience at Gonzaga University" LGBT Awareness and Education Series, Gonzaga University: Spokane, WA. December 5.
- (2001). Panelist, "Free Speech in the University" Panel Discussion, Gonzaga University. Spokane, WA. January 20.

CONFERENCE ORGANIZING EXPERIENCE

Technology Team, Turning on the Light of Truth: A Teach-In for Social Justice & Racial Equity	2020
Local Arrangements Committee, Transnational Feminisms Summer Institute, Ohio State University	2014
Organizing Committee, 2nd Queer Places, Practices, and Lives, Ohio State University	2014
Organizing Committee, Annual Work It! Career Conference, Eastern Washington University	2009-2012

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Co-Moderator, #AcWriMo and Is Academia For Me? Online Groups	2017-
Reviewer, National Women's Studies Association General Conference Proposals	2020
Academic Job Negotiations Presenter, #AcWri Job Market Group	2020
Reviewer, National Women's Studies Association Trans/Gender Variant Caucus Award	2019
Co-Chair, Graduate Caucus, National Women's Studies Association	2014-2018
SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTION	
Online Education and Microcredential Council, GVSU	2024-2026
	2021-2023
• Chair	2024-2026
GVSU COACHE Steering Committee 2.0, GVSU	2024-2025
• Faculty Co-Chair (Winter)	2025
Executive Committee of the Senate, GVSU	2024-2026
University Curriculum Committee, GVSU	2024-2026
Co-facilitator w/Dr. Abigail Gautreau "Neurodiversity Affinity Group Learning Community"	
Faculty Learning Community	2024-2025
Presenter w/Dr. Abigail Gautreau "Neurodiversity Assumed," GVSU Fall Teaching Conference	2024
Queer Connections Mentor, Milton E. Ford LGBT Resource Center, GVSU	2017-2023
Faculty Facility Planning Advisory Committee, Brooks College Representative, GVSU	2019-2023
Vice Chair or Co-Vice Chair	2021-2023
Academic Technology Advisory Committee	2022-2023
Inclusive Recruitment & Hiring Faculty & Staff Pipeline Development Implementation Team	2022-2023
University Conduct Pool, Member-At-Large, GVSU	2021-2023
Parking Committee, GVSU	2021-2023
Co-facilitator w/Dr. Dwayne Tunstall "Abolitionist Pedagogy" Faculty Learning Community	2023
Presenter, "Academic Publishing Panel," GVSU McNair Scholars Program	2022
University Conduct Pool, Brooks College Representative, GVSU	2018-2021
"Pick Up the Slack," GVSU Instructional Design for E-Learning (IDeL) Workshop, GVSU	2019
"Bored-Free Discussions with Slack," IDeL Teaching with Technology Presenter, GVSU	2019
Applicant Reviewer, OSU Council of Graduate Students Career Development Grant	2017
Speaker, Diversity & Identity Studies at OSU (DISCO) Graduate Caucus	2013-2016
Co-organizer & Speaker, "Who Pays?: Debt and Finances in Undergrad and Grad Education"	
Pedagogy Workshop, "Teaching About Diversity in the Classroom"	2014
Invited Interviewer for Instructional Consultant, University Center for the Advancement of Teaching	2015
President, DISCO Graduate Caucus, the Ohio State University	2013-2014
Volunteer, Pride Center, Eastern Washington University	2009-2012
Coordinator, "An Evening of Women's Empowerment," Eastern Washington University	2011-2012
Member, Employer Relations Hiring Committee, Eastern Washington University	2011-2012
Website Transition Coordinator, Women in Higher Education of Washington	2011-2012
Judge, Mr. & Ms. Eastern Homecoming Competition, Eastern Washington University	2011
Member, Student Affairs Budgetary Advisory Committee, Eastern Washington University	2009-2010
SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE	
Member, Digital Studies Faculty Council, GVSU	2024-2027
	2021-2023
GVSU Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies Reorganization Task Force	2022-2023
Member, Brooks College Faculty Council, GVSU	2021-2023

Member, Brooks College Cluster Hire Hiring Committee (6 TT lines hired)	2021-2022
Fall Term Leave Replacement Member, Brooks College Curriculum Committee, GVSU	2021
Fall Term Leave Replacement Member, Brooks College Curriculum Committee, GVSU	2020
Winter Term Leave Replacement Member, Brooks College Curriculum Committee, GVSU	2020
"Digital and Digitized Zine Projects" Workshop, Digital Studies Start-Up Meeting, GVSU	2019
Appreciative Advising Training, Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies, GVSU	2018
SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT	
Member, School of Interdisciplinary Studies Personnel Committee	2023-
Interim Chair, School of Interdisciplinary Studies Assessment Committee	2025-2026
"Teaching Sovereignty with Indigenous-Authored Video Games" Pedagogy Workshop w/ Dr.	
Janelle Malagon, Sponsored by the Digital Studies Minor	2024
Member, School of Interdisciplinary Studies Annual Review Task Force 2024	2024-2025
Chair, School of Interdisciplinary Studies Program Assessment Task Force	2024-2025
New faculty mentor, School of Interdisciplinary Studies	2024-2025
Member, School of Interdisciplinary Studies Personnel Committee (T. Love)	2024-2025
Member, School of Interdisciplinary Studies Personnel Committee (R. Swayamprakash)	2024-2025
Co-Facilitator (with Dr. Kimberly McKee), Faculty Workload Planning and Reporting Workshop	2024
Member; Integrative, Religious, and Intercultural Studies (IRIS) Personnel Committee	2017-2023
Member, IRIS Visiting Assistant Professor Hiring Committee	2023
Member, IRIS Curriculum Committee	2021-2023
Member, IRIS Assessment Committee	2019-2021
Member, IRIS Assistant Professor Hiring Committee	2019-2020
Member, Ad-hoc IRIS Gen-Z Recruitment Marketing Committee	2020
Member, IRIS Awards Committee	2017-2019
Member, Ad-hoc Liberal Studies Service Rubric Draft Committee	2017
Member, Ad-hoc Intercultural Competence Certificate Program Assessment Committee	2017
Organizer, "Underrepresented Populations and the Academic Job Market: An Informal Conversation"	2016
Grad Student Representative to the Chair, Intersections: OSU WGSS Grad Student Organization	2015-2016
Co-Chair of Professional Development, Intersections: OSU WGSS Grad Student Organization	2015-2016
Organizer, "Alt-Ac and Non-Ac: Professional Development Beyond the Academy"	2016
Organizer, "Life On the Tenure Track: A Conversation with Faculty Under Tenure Review"	2016
Organizer, "How to Get the Most Out of a Conference: Advice from Junior Faculty"	2016
Organizer & Speaker, "MA and PhD Exam Roundtable Discussions"	2015
Organizer, "Publishing Your First Article: A Panel Discussion With Journal Editors"	2015
Organizer, Professional Development Brown Bag Discussions	2015-2016
Speaker/Mentor, Ohio State University Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	2013-2017
Incoming Graduate Student Mentor	2013-2017
Invited Speaker, "Successful Grant Writing for Research and Conferences"	2016
Invited Speaker, "Teaching Indigeneity," Presented by the Anti-Racism Committee	2016
Invited Speaker, Graduate Student Research Roundtable, Dissertation Chapters	2016
Pedagogy Workshop, "Teaching About Difficult Topics: Violence"	2014
Organizer & Panelist, "Online Teaching Training"	2014
Mentor & Presenter, FemUnity Film Series: "Gender & Sexuality in Velvet Goldmine"	2014
Organizer & Moderator, "Emerging Research Roundtable: Dissertation Research"	2014
Organizer & Moderator, "Presentations for Academic Conferences"	2014
Organizer & Moderator, "Dissertation Prospectus Presentations"	2013

Pedagogy Workshop, "Introduction to Teaching for New TAs"	2013
Speaker, Eastern Washington University Women's and Gender Studies Program	2009-2016
Speaker, "What Can I Do With a Major In Women's Studies? Anything!"	2009-2016
Mentor, FemUNITY (Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Undergraduate Club)	2013-2014
Presenter, "Grad School Applications: Letter of Interest, CVs, and Selling Yourself"	2014
Resume/CV Reviewer for Undergraduates Applying for Internships & Graduate School	2013, 2014
Secretary, Intersections: OSU WGSS Grad Student Organization	2013-2014
Representative to Research & Development Committee, Intersections	2013-2014
First Year Cohort Representative, Intersections: OSU WGSS Grad Student Organization	2012-2013
SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY	
Volunteer, Disability Advocates of Kent County	2025-
Board Member, Disability Advocates of Kent County	2023-2025
Executive Staff & Board of Directors Training, "LGBT-Inclusive Practice and Programming,"	
Grand Rapids Public Library	2021
City of Grand Rapids Community Diversity & Inclusion Fellowship Program	2021
Panelist, Public Roundtable: ""Understanding Stereotypes, Implicit Bias, and Microaggression	18"
Implicit Bias and Microaggressions Professional Development Workshop, Lighthouse Academy	2019
Proofreading/Editing Volunteer, Planned Parenthood of Greater Washington and Northern Idaho	2012-2016
Masquerade Fundraising Committee Member, Odyssey LGBTQA Youth Center	2009-2013
Volunteer, Planned Parenthood VOTES	2009, 2012
Volunteer, Planned Parenthood Public Education	2003-2009
Forum Moderator, FeministRage	2003-2008
Volunteer & Event Coordinator, Stop the Clock/CounterCrisis Northwest	2003-2006
Steering Committee Member, Peace & Justice Action League of Spokane	2005-2006
Steering Committee Member, PEACH Safe Foods	2003-2004
Volunteer, People for Ethical Alternatives for Children's Health (PEACH)	2002-2004
SELECTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	
International Virtual Exchange Learn and Design Workshop, Grand Valley State University 2024	
Professional Certification, College Student Wellbeing, Trauma, & Resilience, Florida State University	2023
RX for Racial Equity, Grand Valley State University	2023
#ScholarStrike for Racial Justice	2020
Turning on the Light of Truth: A Teach-In for Social Justice & Racial Equity	2020
Developing and Teaching an Online Class, Magna Publications	2020
Reacting to the Past Annual Faculty Institute, Barnard University	2019
Appreciative Advising Institute, Florida Atlantic University	2018
Queering the Digital Humanities, Digital Humanities Summer Institute, University of Victoria	2018
Restoring and Replenishing Our Authentic Selves in the Classroom, Grand Valley State University	2018
Human Subjects Protection Online Epigeum Training, Grand Valley State University	2017
IRBManager Training," Research Compliance and Integrity, Grand Valley State University	2017
Foundations of Online/Hybrid Course Development, Grand Valley State University	2017
Graduate Teaching Fellows Seminar and Graduate Teaching Fellowship	2016-2017
Graduate Student/Faculty Workshop on Integration of Disability and Universal Design in Pedagogy	2015
Human Subjects Protection CITI Course, Ohio State University	2014
Responsible Conduct of Research CITI Course, Ohio State University	2014
Graduate Student/Faculty Workshop on Teaching Using Popular Culture	2013

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

National Women's Studies Association	2014-2023
Alliance for the Study of Adoption and Culture	2018-2021
Modern Language Association	2019-2020
Women's and Gender Studies et Recherches Féministes	2019-2020
Canadian Association of Cultural Studies	2018-2020
American Studies Association	2013-2019
Juvenile Justice Vision 20/20	2017-2018
Native American and Indigenous Studies Association	2015-2017
Critical Ethnic Studies Association	2015-2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Graduate Administrative Assistant	Diversity & Identity Studies Collective at OSU	Aug. 2013-May 2016
Interim Associate Director	Eastern Washington University	June-Sept. 2012
Public Service Career Advisor	Eastern Washington University	Sept. 2008-May 2012
Overnight Shelter Staff Lead	Volunteers of America Crosswalk	Feb. 2006-Feb. 2009
Communications Director	The Berkana Institute	May 2006-June 2008
Inland Northwest Equality Director	The Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane	Oct. 2005-Oct. 2006