

Emily Council | Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Doctor of Philosophy – The University of Kansas, expected May 2027

English, Rhetoric and Composition

Bachelor of Arts – The University of Kansas, May 2022

English with emphasis in Language, Writing, and Rhetoric

Departmental Honors thesis: “TikTok Rhetoric: Stitching, Responding, Recreating”

Academic Appointments

Graduate Teaching Assistant | University of Kansas | August 2022 – Present

Courses: English 101, English 102, English 362

Course organizational design for ENGL 262 with CODL

Administrative Appointments

Graduate Research Assistant – Institute for Digital Research in the Humanities | University of Kansas | August 2024 – Present

Responsibilities include event coordination, social media and public relations, reporting data and trends, and supporting the public facing digital humanities. THATCamp (The Humanities and Technology Camp) co-chair.

First-Year-Writing Internship | University of Kansas | May – August 2023, May – Aug 2025

Sorted, collected, and organized hundreds of teaching materials to create a Canvas resource site for graduate student instructors.

Designed curricular materials around KU Common Book, *The Anthropocene Reviewed* by John Green, including scaffolding assignments and redesigned ENGL 102 units.

Summer Fellow – Hall Center of the Humanities | Humanities Kansas | May 2023 – August 2023

Assisted projects with the public humanities including Talk About Literature in Kansas (TALK), the WILD WORDS Poetry Chapbook, and Time.ly calendar of events database transfer. Shadowed database transfer, board meeting, grant review, and daily operations.

Presentations and Workshops

“Digital Fugitivity: TikTok Creators Navigate In/Dignities Under Regulatory Threat” *Rhetoric Society of America*, May 2026. Portland, OR.

“Researching with Social Media” *The Institute for Research in the Digital Humanities (IDRH)*, April 2025. Lawrence, KS.

“The Importance of Digital Testimony: Analyzing #MeToo Testimonies on Twitter” *Popular Culture Association*, April 2023. San Antonio, TX.

“*Sleep Dealer* and the Importance of Digital Testimony: The Role of Testimony in Media” *The Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States (MELUS)*, April 2023. Indianapolis, IN.

Honors and Awards

English Department Teaching Award: Selden Lincoln Whitcomb Fellowship – For excellence in scholastic research and promise in the field of teaching (2025)

Madison and Lila Self Memorial Scholar 2022-2023

Grant: \$10,000, Dr. George Tiller Fund – Funding to provide transportation for women to attend doctors’ appointments.

Grant: \$17,667, Health Forward Foundation – Funding to make VFW Willis J. Ross Memorial Post #6324 in La Harpe, Kansas safe, secure, and accessible.

Grant: withdrawn by agency due to Office of Digital Humanities program cancellation: HT-308152 for project "The Public Digital Humanities: An Institute for Academic/Community Collaborations"

Service

Student Association for Graduates of English | University of Kansas

Events and Fundraising Committee (2023-2024)

Professionalization Committee (2022 - 2024)

Accessibility and Sustainability Committee (2022 - 23)

First Year Liaison – Rhetoric and Composition (2022-23)

2C’s - Graduate Rhetoric and Composition organization

Co-Chair (2023-present)