

## Curriculum Vitae of Todd Graham

### I. Professional Affiliation and Contact Information

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### II. Education

- Ph.D. Arizona State University—May, 2000.  
Major: Communication (Interpersonal Communication Emphasis)  
Advisor: Dr. Jess Alberts
- M.A. Kansas State University—August, 1990.  
Major: Speech Communication (Rhetoric Emphasis)  
Minor: Political Science  
Advisor: Dr. Edward Schiappa
- B.A. Missouri Southern State College—May, 1987.  
Major: Communication (Broadcasting Emphasis)

### III. Professional Experience

- 1988 Assistant Debate Coach  
Fort Hays State University, Fort Hays KS  
Acted as an assistant coach in the spring of 1988 for Ft. Hays State University. Placed in charge of the Krug/Crawford team at the CEDA national tournament. Coached them to a semi-final birth.
- 1988- Assistant Debate Coach  
1990 Kansas State University, Manhattan KS  
Acted as coach of record at many national tournaments. Coached a nationally ranked debate team at Kansas State, ran my own platoon of 2-3 teams, oversaw their development, and was their primary coach.
- 1990- Director of Debate  
1997 Northwestern State University, Natchitoches LA  
Created, formed, administered, and coached the debate team at Northwestern State University. Was the sole coach of the program. Budget Unit Head for all debate team scholarships. Budget Unit Head for \$40,000-\$50,000 travel budget. In charge of all administrative duties, including arranging a travel schedule of approximately 15 tournaments per year, securing transportation, purchasing equipment, balancing the budget, making hotel reservations, and any other last minute emergencies. Also in

charge of all coaching duties, including assigning partners, giving out research assignments, scheduling and critiquing practice rounds, forming argumentative strategies, and all on-site coaching at tournaments. Conducted all recruiting for the Northwestern State University Debate Team, which included attending high school debate tournaments, contacting high school coaches, and meeting with potential debaters and their parents.

Coached the Northwestern State University Debate Team to first place championships at many tournaments which include California State University-Long Beach, Kansas State University, Lewis and Clark College, Marist College, Middle Tennessee State University, San Diego State University, Towson University, The University of Central Oklahoma, The University of Southern California, The University of South Carolina, The University of Utah, and Wichita State University. Also coached the Northwestern State University Debate Team to the final round of over 15 open and round robin tournaments.

Coached the Northwestern State University Debate Team to the 1994 overall CEDA National Championship, as well as the 1991 Brady Lee Garrison Newcomer Award for the best new debate program in the country. Coached one team to semi-finals at CEDA nationals and two teams to quarterfinals at CEDA nationals. Coached the team that won the 1992 Junior Varsity National Championship. Coached the Northwestern State University Debate team to more wins during the 1990-1997 time period than any other school in the country.

1997- Assistant Debate Coach

2000 Arizona State University, Tempe AZ

Assisted in coaching the debate team. Prepared arguments, assigned research, coached speeches, and traveled to debate tournaments. Acted as coach of record at several tournaments. Coached advanced teams and oversaw the development of younger teams.

2000- Director of Debate

2006 Southern Illinois University, Carbondale IL

Administer and direct the debate team at Southern Illinois University. Responsible for recruiting graduate assistant coaches and debaters. Responsible for the travel budget. In charge of travel schedule, transportation, purchasing equipment, budgeting, etc. . . Responsible for organization of coaches as well as all other coaching duties. Recruit all debaters for SIUC, travel and attend high school tournaments to meet with high school coaches, debaters, and parents. In charge of all coaching duties, including assigning partners, giving out research assignments, scheduling and critiquing practice rounds, forming argumentative strategies, and all on-site coaching at tournaments.

Policy Debate: Coached the SIU team to finals at the pre-season Freshman National Tournament at the University of Kentucky. Coached a team to the 9<sup>th</sup> place finish at the Freshman National Tournament at Northwestern. Coached two teams to the elimination rounds of several tournaments, including quarterfinals at Pepperdine University, William Jewell University, the University of Central Oklahoma, and the University of Missouri, Kansas City. Coached teams to the elimination rounds of many national level tournaments, including Wake Forest University, Georgia State University, the University of Kansas, and the Cross Examination Debate Association National Tournament. Coached the team to a top 20 finish at the CEDA National Tournament from 2003—2005.

Parliamentary Debate: Oversaw the switch of the policy debate program into a parliamentary debate program. Responsible for recruiting graduate assistants and debaters in parliamentary debate. Responsible for beginning and maintaining a nationally competitive parliamentary debate program. Coached the SIU team to elimination rounds at Claremont College, Creighton University, and CSU Fullerton. Coached a team to the top seed and semi-finalist at Colorado College. Coached a team to the first place championship at William Jewell College. Coached teams awarded invitations to highly prestigious round-robin tournaments at William Jewell College, Claremont College, and Point Loma Nazarene University.

#### **IV. Research and Creative Activity**

Interests and specialties include argumentation and debate, humor and communication, interpersonal communication, and persuasion.

Honors and awards include the 1987 Communication Graduate of the Year at Missouri Southern State College, the 1995 Pelham National Debate Coach of the Year, and the 2002 Dean's Award for Excellence.

Papers and Presentations:

<u>Association</u>	<u>Authors/Title</u>
Western States Communication Association, Sacramento, CA February, 2000	Graham, T., & Morr, M.C. <i>Reactions to flirtation in the presence of a romantic partner</i>
National Communication Association, New York, NY November, 1998	Graham, T. <i>We agree: A rationale for agreement in competitive debate</i>

## V. Creative Works

*Inappropriate humor during interpersonal interactions: An analysis of contexts and responses.* Doctoral dissertation, Arizona State University, 2000.

*No joking matter: The hateful rhetoric of Andrew Dice Clay.* Master's thesis, Kansas State University, 1990.

## VI. Teaching Experience

1988- Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Speech and Theater

1990 Kansas State University, Manhattan KS

Taught public speaking courses to undergraduate students.

1989- Assistant Professor, Department of Language and Communication

1997 Northwestern State University, Natchitoches LA

Taught the following undergraduate courses: Speech, Argumentation, Debate, Interpersonal Communication, and History of Broadcasting.

Responsible for selecting textbooks for courses.

1997- Graduate Teaching Associate, Hugh Downs School of Human

2000 Communication at Arizona State University, Tempe AZ

Taught the following undergraduate courses: Interpersonal Communication, Speech and Advanced speech. Responsible for selecting textbooks for courses.

2000- Administrative Professional, Department of Speech Communication

2006 Southern Illinois University, Carbondale IL

Teach undergraduate and graduate courses in the areas of public speaking, interpersonal communication, communication and humor, argumentation and debate, and persuasion. Responsible for creating new courses and selecting textbooks for courses. Active member of the graduate faculty.

## VII. University Experience

Search Committee Member for a faculty position in Business, Northwestern State University, 1994

Search Committee Member for a faculty position in Speech, Northwestern State University, 1996

Search Committee Member for a faculty position in Linguistics, Northwestern State University, 1996

Speech Communication Undergraduate Committee Member, Southern Illinois University, 2000-2001, 2002-2003, 2005-2006

Speech Communication Planning and Development Member, Southern Illinois University, 2001-2002, 2003-2004

Speech Communication Graduate Committee Member, Southern Illinois University, 2004-2005

## **VIII. Professional Service**

### Debate Association Activities

Member, Cross Examination Debate Association, 1990-2005  
Member, Speech Communication Association, 1990-2005  
South Central Representative, CEDA Executive Council, 1992-1993  
Final Round Critic, CEDA National Tournament, 1994  
Topic Creation Committee, authored both topics debated, 1994-1995  
Member, National Debate Tournament, 2000-2005  
Member, American Forensic Association, 2000-2005  
Member, Site Committee, NPDA, 2006  
Member, National Parliamentary Debate Association, 2006

## **IX. Community Service**

--Was interviewed for many stories about the NSU debate team, 1991-1997  
--Gave annual presentations to Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary, and Toastmasters clubs, 1992-1997  
--Gave presentations about the debate team to the Natchitoches City Council, 1992-1997  
--Was a guest on television news broadcasts in Shreveport and Alexandria, 1992-1997  
--Hosted the British National Debate Team, 1993  
--Judged the Natchitoches Christmas Festival Great Chili Cook-Off, 1995-1996  
--Spoke to the Louisiana Board of Regents and Board of Trustees, 1994  
--Presented the debate team to both houses of the state government and the Governor, 1994  
--Judged the Clinton/Dole Presidential debates for the Alexandria Daily Town Talk, 1996  
--Held On-Campus Presidential debates between members of the Campus Republicans, Campus Democrats, and Shawnee Greens, 2000  
--Judged the Bush/Gore Presidential debates for the Southern Illinoisan and the Carbondale television news stations, 2000  
--Organized and hosted on-campus debate about the academic reputation of SIUC between members of the city council, student government association, faculty association, university administration, and greek council, 2001  
--Conducted public relations for the debate team by encouraging more press coverage and giving interviews to local newspapers and radio programs, 2001-2006

## **X. DEBATE EXPERIENCE**

1983- Competed in both NDT and CEDA debate  
1987 Missouri Southern State College, Joplin MO

Was in the final round at Southern Illinois University (1987), University of Illinois (1986), Gustavus Adolphus (1985), Southwestern College (1985), Southwest Missouri State University (1984), and Oklahoma Christian College (1983).

Top Speaker at University of Illinois (1986), Notre Dame (1986), Gustavus Adolphus (1985), Pittsburg State (1985), and Oklahoma Christian College (1985).

First Place at several tournaments such as Johnson County Community College (1986-CEDA; 1984-NDT), University of Oklahoma (1986), and Pittsburg State University (1985).

Semi-Finalist, CEDA National Tournament (1987).