

Nancy Small, Ph.D.

Education

Texas Tech University, Lubbock	2014
PhD in Technical Communication & Rhetoric	
Dissertation: "'Tell me what it's like:' Narrative Lifeworlds of White, American Expatriate Women in Qatar" Committee: Rebecca Rickly (chair), Joyce Lock Carter, Kristen Moore	
Texas A&M University, College Station	
MA in English, minor in Psychology	1994
BA in English and Psychology	1992

Faculty Positions

University of Wyoming	
Associate Professor	Sep 2022-
Assistant Professor of English	2017-2022
Visiting Assistant Professor	2016-2017
Research agenda grounded in storytelling as method, methodology, and rhetorical endeavor; feminist and embodied rhetorics; public memory practices; identity and intercultural communication; qualitative research methods and ethics	

Recent Graduate Courses

- Storytelling as Rhetorical Theory, Method, Product
- Rhetorics of Public Memory
- Rhetorics of Civic Discourse
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Practicum for Teaching College Composition

Recent Undergraduate Courses

- Senior Seminar: Storytelling & Narrative
- Culture, Communication, & the Workplace
- Theory & Method Approaches to Rhet, Comp, and Prof Writing
- College Composition and Rhetoric (including role-playing version)
- Writing in Technology and the Sciences

Chair and serve on Undergraduate Honors, MA, PhD committees in English (Rhet/Comp & Lit), Communication, Creative Writing, Education/Literacy

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Texas A&M University, College Station	1994-2016
<i>On loan to Liberal Arts Program, Texas A&M University at Qatar</i>	2010-2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instructional Associate Professor of English / 2013-2016• Senior Lecturer 2009-2013• Lecturer 1999-2002, 2006-2009,*• Assistant Lecturer 1994-1999	
*Gap indicates time at The Bush School. See "Admin & Program Development" section	
 <i>Georgetown University School of Foreign Service at Qatar</i>	 Spr 2012
Adjunct Instructor for introductory humanities course	
 <i>Texas State Technical College-West Texas, Sweetwater</i>	 2004-2005
Adjunct Instructor developing / teaching online technical communication course	

Publications & Research In-Process

Books

- Small, N. & Longo, B. (Eds.). (2022). *Transnational research in technical communication: Stories, Realities, and reflections*. Studies in Scientific and Technical Communication. SUNY University Press.
- Small, N. (2022). *A rhetoric of becoming: US American women in Qatar*. Studies in Rhetorics and Feminisms. Parlor Press.

Refereed Articles & Chapters

- Small, N. (forthcoming, 2022). Reading for the weaver: Amplifying agency through a material rhetoric methodology. *Kairos: A Journal of Rhetoric, Technology, and Pedagogy*.
- Small, N. (2022). Importing lessons from Qatar: Towards a research ethic in transnational and intercultural communication. In N. Small & B. Longo (Eds.), *Transnational Research in Technical Communication: Realities and Reflections*. Studies in Scientific and Technical Communication. SUNY University Press.
- Small, N. (2022). Localize, adapt, reflect: A review of recent research in transnational and intercultural TPC. In L. Melonçon & J. Schreiber (Eds.), *Assembling critical components: A framework for sustaining technical and professional communication* (pp. 269-295). WAC/Colorado State University Press.
- Patton, T. & Small, N. (2020). Making waves: Maxine Waters and her challenge to black women's erasure and white hegemony. In B.K. Alexander, M. N. Goins, & J. F. McAlister (Eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Gender and Communication* (pp. 243-258). Routledge.
- Small, N. (2020). From commemoration to co-memoration as feminist practice. *Peitho: Journal of the Coalition of Feminist Scholars in the History of Rhetoric & Composition*, 22(2), cfshrc.org/article/from-commemoration-to-co-memoration-as-feminist-practice/
- Small, N. (2017). "I hate FB, but I can't quit looking at it": Identity management, agency, and tensions in social networking. *Proteus: A Journal of Ideas*, 31(1), 21-31.
- Small, N. (2017). (Re)Kindle: On the value of storytelling for technical communication. *Journal of Technical Writing and Communication*, 47(2), 234-253.

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- Small, N. (2016). Risking our foundations: Honor, codes, and authoritarian spaces. In S. Gray, H. Bashir, & S. Keck (Eds.), *Western Higher Education in Asia and the Middle East: Politics, Economics, and Pedagogy* (pp. 223-242). Rowan and Littlefield/Lexington Press.
- Small, N. (2015). Culture and Qatar's globalized citizenry: Challenges for the public sphere. In H. Bashir & P. Gray (Eds.), *Deconstructing Global Citizenship: Political, Cultural and Ethical Perspectives* (pp. 285-302). Rowan and Littlefield/Lexington Press.
- Cunningham, L., Kirkscey, R., Reynolds-Dyk, A., Small, N., Tran, C., & Tucker, V. (2015). Rhetorical grounding & an agile attitude: Complex systems, multi-genre testing, & service learning in UX. *Journal of Usability Studies*, 10(4), 182-194.
- Lail, B., Dragga, S., Williams, J., Small, N., Roof, D., & Lail, S. (2013). User-centered engineering ethics curricula. *IEEE Technology and Society*, 32(2), 59-65.

Textbooks, Teaching Materials, Book Reviews

- Hutson, S. & Small, N. (Eds.). (2018). *Writing @7200 feet: A beginner's guide to college composition and rhetoric*. 2nd edition. Hayden-McNeil. Custom textbook.
- Small, N. (2012). Review. [Review of the book *Performing prose: The study and practice of style in composition*, by C. Holcomb and M. J. Killingsworth]. *Journal of Technical Writing and Communication*. 42(1) 91-96.
- Small, N. (2006). [Review of the book *Online education: Global questions, local answers*, by K. Cargile Cook & K. Grant-Davie]. *Journal of Technical Writing and Communication*. 36(2) 201-225.
- Small, N. (2002). *Instructor's Manual* for Houpp, Pearsall, Tebeaux, & Dragga. *Reporting Technical Information*. 11th edition. Oxford UP.
- Small, N. (2000). [Review of the book *Literacy in a digital world: Teaching and learning in the age of information*, by K. Tyner]. *Journal of Technical Writing and Communication*. 30(2) 179-83.

Manuscripts in Process

- Small, N. *Pantaloontics in Wyoming: Rhetorics of women's agency circling through time*. Monograph blending memory, storytelling, interviews with contemporary women, and rhetorical analysis of women's suffrage symbolism. In process.
- Gernant, A. & Small, N. Sustained role-playing games for cultivating critical empathy. In L. Blankenship & E. Leake (Eds.), *Empathy and the Other: Difference, Connection, and the Teaching of Writing*. Accepted/In process.
- Kinney, K., Small, N. & Stewart, J. Both/And in Wyoming: Dislocation, uncertainty, and expanding masters-level graduate assistantships in composition and rhetoric. Under revision (Fall 2022).
- Acosta, K., Cowan, M., Rickly, R., Sinor, S., Small, N., & Stone, E. M. (Eds.) *Positionality in writing studies research: Pedagogies and practices for relational accountability*. Proposal submitted to CSU Press/WAC Clearinghouse (July 2022).
- Conway, A., Pifer, E., Powell, K. W., Small, N. (Eds.) *Annotated bibliography of storytelling and narrative*. Proposal prepared for CSU Press/WAC Clearinghouse (July 2022).
- LaFrance, M., Fishmann, J., Rickly, R., & Small, N. Unsettling stories: A feminist narrative inquiry." Proposed for inclusion in E. Schell, et. al. (Eds), *Rhetorica in Motion II: Feminist Rhetorical Methods and Methodologies* (July 2022).

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Fellowships & Grants

<i>Wyoming Institute for Humanities Research: Research Group Fellowship</i> (\$3,000) Project: "Wyoming Women's Suffrage: History, Memory, and Symbolic Practice"	2021
<i>University of Wyoming College of Arts & Sciences Travel Grant</i> (\$2,900)	2019
<i>Texas A&M at Qatar Internal Project Grant</i> (\$30,000) First academic year funding to support fully establishing Women's Faculty Forum	2015
<i>Texas A&M at Qatar Teaching Excellence Travel Grant</i> (\$2,500)	2015
<i>Texas A&M at Qatar Special Project Grant</i> (\$3,000) Seed money to gauge interest in developing TAMUQ women faculty group	2015
<i>Texas A&M University Honors Department Curriculum Development Grants</i> (\$2,500 each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hybrid ENGL 241: Advanced Composition• Web-Based ENGL 301: Special focus on Writing for Publication• Web-Based ENGL 301: Special focus on Ethics	2007 2001 1996
<i>Texas A&M University Office of Distance Education Program Development Grant</i> (\$50,000)	2004
<i>Texas A&M Quality Enhancement Plan Council Assessment Grant</i> (\$4,500)	2003-2006

Select Recent Presentations & Institute Attendance

<i>Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Baltimore, MA</i> "The Trope of 'The First' as Charge to Forget"—Presenter "Currents of Public Memory: Countering Colonizer Logics"—Chair	2022
<i>TC Camp's Room 42 Podcast</i> Invited Presenter, "Strategies for Navigating Transnational Projects" https://tccamp.org/episodes/strategies-for-navigating-transnational-projects/	Nov 10, 2021
<i>Ellbogen Center for Teaching and Learning, Laramie, WY</i> "Let's Play! High Impact Teaching with Role-Playing Games"	2021
<i>Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute, Baltimore, MA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seminar Participant: Indigenous Rhetorics: Clearing a Path for Meaningful, Responsible, Relational Practice. Led by M. Powell and A. Riley-Mukavetz• Workshop Participant: Archival Power Led by J. Enoch and P. VanHaitsma	2021

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<i>Conference on College Composition and Communication</i> [online] "Stillness on Top of the Wave: Positionality as Ideal, Not Reality"	2021
<i>Wyoming Institute for Humanities Research: Think & Drink Conversation</i> [online] "Women and Politics" Panel Discussion	2021
<i>Most Dangerous Women Documentary, Episode 1 "Women of the West"</i> New Moon Productions, https://vimeo.com/580019677 Invited Scholarly Contributor/Commentator	2020
<i>Feminisms and Rhetorics, Harrisburg, VA</i> "Feminist Commemoration and the 'Then-That-Is-Now'"	2019
<i>Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute, Baltimore, MA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seminar Participant: At the Intersection of Rhetorics and Feminisms Led by K. Chavez and C. Glenn• Workshop Participant: Rhetoric, Publics, and Placemaking in Everyday Life Led by J. Ackerman, G. Dickinson, and C. Rai	2019
<i>Shepard Symposium on Social Justice, Laramie, WY</i> "Radically Listening by Rhetorically Listening"	2019
<i>Missouri State University Society for Technical Communication Regional Conference</i> Springfield, MO; Invited speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Teaching, Supporting, and Evaluating Student Teams" (Faculty Workshop)• "Active and Rhetorical Listening" (Keynote)	2019
<i>Council of Writing Programs Conference, Sacramento, CA</i> "Embracing Liminality as Generative Space"	2018
<i>Conference on College Composition and Communication Regional Conference, Denver, CO</i> "Jellyfish or King Rat? Mapping the Terrain and Potential of An Institutional Writing Ecology"	2018
<i>Conference on College Composition and Communication, Kansas City, MO</i> Roundtable on the Future of Graduate Studies	2018
<i>University of Wyoming Writing Center's Spring Professional Development Series</i> Laramie, WY; Invited Speaker "Designing Effective Writing Assignments" & "Assignment Design and Facilitation"	2018
<i>Feminisms and Rhetorics, Dayton, OH</i> "A Feminist, Abroad: Micro-praxis as Relational Ethics in Transnational Spaces"	2017

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<i>Conference on College Composition and Communication, Portland, OR</i> "Professor at the Crossroads: Intercultural Communication and the IBC"	2017
<i>Texas A&M at Qatar Liberal Arts Conference, Doha, Qatar</i> "The Notebook [Imagined] as Thirdspace"	2017
<i>Qadha! Ladies' Strategies for Workplace Success, Doha, Qatar</i> Panel participant representing academic careers	2016
<i>Feminisms & Rhetorics, Tempe, AZ</i> "Not Just a Rug but a Legacy: Contemporary Tribal Carpets as Material Narratives"	2015
<i>Inter-Disciplinary.Net: The Storytelling Project: 8th Global Meeting, Oxford, England</i> "American Expat Women in Qatar: A Narrative of Heroic Journey and Splinched Returns"	2015
<i>Rhetoric Society of America Summer Institute, Madison, WI</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seminar Participant: "The War of Words," A Rhetoric of Motives, & Contemporary Rhetorical Theory. Led by J. Selzer, K. Jensen, and K. Ratcliffe• Workshop Participant: Human Rights, Civil Rights, and Global Citizenship Led by J. Jones Royster	2015
<i>Conference on College Composition and Communication, Tampa, FL</i> "Risking Our Foundations: Transnational Research & Teaching at an IBC in the Middle East"	2015
<i>Association of Teachers of Technical Writing, Tampa, FL</i> "Towards the Transnational Study and Teaching of Technical Communication"	2015

Administration & Program Development

University of Wyoming, Department of English Director of First Year Writing	2017-2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Train and manage graduate assistants (GAs) teaching English 1010: College Comp/Rhet• Update and manage curriculum and all teaching materials• Redesign curriculum and GA training for adaptable delivery during pandemic• Organize and lead five-day teacher training colloquium for first year instructors in August, then provide additional training for returning instructors• Work with LeaRN/Fall Bridge to orient and train new instructors for Fall Bridge 1010, and attend curriculum development meetings for associated courses• Design and facilitate GA mentoring groups• Facilitate grade disputes and academic dishonesty procedures• Design and facilitate program-wide assessment projects	

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Texas A&M at Qatar, Quality Enhancement Plan 2012-2016

Program Coordinator for First Year Seminars

- Led SACS-mandated initiative, with local emphasis on critical thinking
- Developed general curriculum for 1-credit first year seminar
- Recruited and mentored instructors
- Designed and administered multi-method program assessment

Department of English, Texas A&M University, College Station 2008-2010

Senior Lecturer (50%) and Instructional Technology Coordinator (50%)

- Trained faculty and graduate students in online course design and delivery
- Delivered both structured workshops and one-on-one support
- Worked with system admins to run course management system (Moodle)

George H. W. Bush School of Government & Public Service, Texas A&M University

Assistant Director of Distance Education

2004-2007

Coordinator of Distance Education

2002-2004

Service Activities at the University of Wyoming

Invited Reviewer for Scholarly Journals & Conferences 2014-Pres

- *Peitho: Journal of the Coalition of Feminist Scholars in the History of Rhet & Comp*
- *Journal of Business and Technical Communication*
- *Rhetoric, Professional Communication, and Globalization*
- *Technical Communication*
- *Technical Communication Quarterly*
- Rhetoric Society of America Conference (2022)
- Feminisms & Rhetorics Conference (2017)
- Texas A&M at Qatar Liberals Arts International Conference (2014, 2015)

Coalition of Feminist Scholars in the History of Rhetoric & Composition

- Advancing the Agenda Planning Committee (Chair, 2022-2023)
- Feminist Scholarship Webinar Series (2021-2022)
- Storytelling as Method & Methodology Pod (2021-2022)
- Mentor to emerging scholars (2017-Present)
- Executive Board Nominating Committee (2017)

Black 14 Smithsonian Exhibit for the National Museum of African American History and Culture Committee

2020-Pres

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Wyoming Institute for Humanities Research WIHR Steering Committee (elected position)	2021-2023
University Studies Committee Communication Requirements Sub-Committee, Co-Chair (2022-2023)	2021-Pres
Faculty Senate Faculty Academic Standards, Rights & Responsibilities Committee	2020-Pres
Faculty Advisor for <i>Inside English 1010</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Journal of undergraduate writing published online annuallySelect and oversee paid graduate assistant lead editor, paid formatting editor	2017-2022
Department of English Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none">Graduate Program CommitteePersonnel CommitteeAd Hoc Committee for Formal Department Review	2019-Pres 2018-2021 2020-2021
Advisory Board for International Writing Across the Curriculum Conference	2020
Phi Sigma Rho Faculty Advisor Social sorority for women in engineering and engineering technology, emphasizing academic excellence, personal integrity, and friendship/networking	2017-2020
Matthew Shepard Memorial Curriculum Sub-Committee	2018

Service Highlights from Texas A&M at Qatar

Texas A&M at Qatar Women's Faculty Forum, Co-Founder <ul style="list-style-type: none">Collaborated with Dr. Leslie Seawright to secure startup fundingCo-led inaugural retreat to determine org. name, objectives, programmatic goalsSupported by \$30,000 USD in funding from internal grantFacilitated development of group structure and functionDesigned and facilitated first year programs, including mentoring panel, workshop for faculty and administrators on "reading for implicit and explicit gender issues"	2015-2016
Texas A&M at Qatar Search Committee for Liberal Arts Program Chair Position was elected by Liberal Arts faculty	2015
Texas A&M at Qatar English Faculty Search Committee, Chair	2015

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Texas A&M at Qatar First Year Composition Committee, Chair	2010-2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reviewed standard objectives to appear on all ENGL104 syllabi in Qatar branch• Choose standard course textbook• Led formal assessment of student essays and internal program review	
Texas A&M at Qatar Work-Life Environment Working Group	2014-2016
Texas A&M at Qatar Academic Civil Rights Investigation Committee	2012-2014
Texas A&M at Qatar Faculty Senate Subcmte for Non-Tenure Track Faculty Elected Qatar Campus Representative	2012-2015
Texas A&M at Qatar <i>Best Writing</i> Committee Assisting with second published collection of student writing at TAMUQ	Spr 2015
Faculty Mentor for A Novel Idea: TAMUQ Student Book Club	2012-2015

Awards

College of Arts & Sciences Extraordinary Merit in Teaching	2022
Fraternity and Sorority Life: Faculty Advisor of the Year	2020
25 Years of Service to Texas A&M University	2016
5 Years of Service to Texas A&M at Qatar	2016
Dean's Leadership Award	2014
Class of 2014 Award for "Best Faculty Member in Liberal Arts"	2014
Kenneth Burke Society: Top Five Papers (99 th Annual NCA Conference)	2013
Student Engineering Council: Best Professor in Liberal Arts	2013
University Award for 20 Years of Service	2010
Student Led Awards of Teaching Excellence (SLATE)	2010

Consulting

Office of Institutional Effectiveness, Rice University Assessment Program Development Consultant Reporting to Dr. John Cornwell, Associate Vice President	2009-2012
University Writing Center, Texas A&M University Special Consultant for Faculty in Writing-Intensive Courses Reporting to Dr. Valerie Balester, Director of University Writing Center & Associate Professor of English	2007-2009