

Curriculum Vita

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Communication Studies, University of Iowa, December 1988.
Advisor, Professor Steve Duck. Thesis:

Socha, T. J. (1989). Marital decision conversation: An investigation of decision topics and relational communication control and support structures. *Dissertation Abstracts International*, 50(4), 829A.

MA., Communication, University of Illinois at Chicago, 1982. Advisor,
Professor Thomas Kochman. Applied research project:

Socha, T. J. (1982). *Interpersonal skills of the physician*. Unpublished project summary. University of Illinois at Chicago.

BA., Communication, Loyola University Chicago, 1979.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

2009 Attended (virtually) the 2009 Stauffer Symposium---*Applying the Science of Positive Psychology to Improve Society*, Claremont Graduate University, School of Behavioral and Organizational Sciences (1/24/09).

2007 Member. Old Dominion University, College of Arts & Letter's, Grant-Writing Group Program (Spring).

- 2006 Participant. Old Dominion University, Office of Research Grant Writing Boot camp (Spring).
- 2000 Delegate. National Communication Association's two week study/sharing tour of South Africa that included visits to the communication departments of the University of Pretoria, University of South Africa, University of Natal at Durban, and the University of Cape Town.
- 1997 Participant. "Teaching Intercultural Communication," Summer Institute on Intercultural Communication (SIIC) (a week-long course taught by Dr. Stella Ting-Toomey) at Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon.
- 1996 Participant. "Conference on Graduate Education in Communication," Speech Communication Association Summer Conference, Washington, D. C.
- 1993 Participant. Grant Writing Workshop, Office of Research and Graduate Studies, Old Dominion University.
- 1992 Participant. African-American studies course, Institute for Minority Studies, Old Dominion University (Spring 1992).
- 1991 Participant. Teaching the undergraduate course in research methods, Speech Communication Association Short Course, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 1983 Participant. Teaching the college course: Family Communication, Speech Communication Association Short Course, Washington, D. C.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2008 Faculty Seminar Leader. National Communication Association's Summer Faculty Development Institute, Randolph Macon College, Ashland, VA. Course: Teaching Positive Family Communication.
- 2005 Faculty Seminar Leader. National Communication Association's Summer Faculty Development Institute, Luther College, Decorah Iowa. Course: Teaching Communication Research Methods.
- 2003 Faculty Seminar Leader. National Communication Association's Summer Faculty Development Institute, Luther College, Decorah Iowa. Course: Teaching Family Communication.

- 2002 Interim Department Chair. Department of Communication & Theatre Arts Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. (Summer).
- 2001 Interim Department Chair. Department of Communication & Theatre Arts Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. (Summer).
- 1999 Interim Department Chair. Department of Communication & Theatre Arts Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. (Academic Year, 1999-2000).
- 1999 Founding Editor, *Journal of Family Communication* (originally published by Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, now by Taylor & Francis/Erlbaum), a five-year term.
- 1998 University Professor. Old Dominion University established the designation of University Professor in order to recognize faculty members at the university who are outstanding teachers. Only tenured faculty members are considered for this honor. Designated faculty members hold the title permanently and are so identified in university publications.
- 1995 Associate Professor with Tenure. Department of Communication & Theatre Arts, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.
- 1993 Interim Department Chair. Department of Speech Communication & Theatre Arts, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia (Summer).
- 1993 Interim Department Co-Chair. Department of Speech Communication & Theatre Arts, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia. Last six-weeks of Spring term.
- 1989 Assistant Professor, Department of Speech Communication & Theatre Arts. Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia.
- 1986 Substitute Teacher. Immaculate Heart of Mary Elementary School, Chicago, 8th grade (last 3 weeks of the year).
- 1985 Instructor. Department of Communication, Loyola University Chicago.
- 1983 Summer School Programs Director. St. John Berchmans Elementary School, Chicago.

- 1983 Graduate Research Assistant. Department of Communication Studies, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.
- 1983 Graduate Teaching Assistant. Department of Communication Studies, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1981 Graduate Teaching Assistant. Rhetoric Program, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1980 Group Co-facilitator. "Introduction to the patient" course, Department of Psychiatry, University of Illinois at the Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1980 Graduate Teaching Assistant. Department of Communication & Theatre Arts, University of Illinois at Chicago [for Professor Robert T. Craig].

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2008 Top Paper Award. Experiential Learning in Communication Division, National Communication Association (San Diego, CA).
- 2005 *Who's Who among American Teachers* [Nominated by ODU Student, Katherine Stephany]
- 2004 *Old Dominion University Inspirational Faculty Member Award* [Nabeel Querishi, Dominion Scholar and Kaufman Award Finalist, Old Dominion University]
- 2003 National Communication Association's *Bernard J. Brommel Family Communication Award*. In recognition of outstanding scholarship and distinguished service in family communication [November, Miami, FL]
- 2002 *Distinguished Faculty Achievement Certificate*, State Council of Higher Education in Virginia (SCHEV) in recognition of teaching, research, and public service.
- 2002 Nominee. *State Council for Higher Education in Virginia's (SCHEV) Outstanding Faculty Award*. [Nominated by Old Dominion University for this Statewide Honor].

- 1999 Nominee. *State Council for Higher Education in Virginia's (SCHEV) Outstanding Faculty Award*. [Nominated by Old Dominion University for this Statewide Honor].
- 1998 *University Professor* for excellence in teaching [A member of the first group of seven faculty members to be awarded this honor].
- 1997 *Old Dominion University Inspirational Faculty Award* [Jennifer Beigle, Kaufman Award Finalist, Old Dominion University]
- 1996 Honorary Member. Golden Key National Honor Society. One of two faculty elected annually by the student members for induction.
- 1995 Nominee. *Donald H. Eckroyd Award for Excellence in Higher Education*, Speech Communication Association.
- 1993 *Robert L. Stern Award for Excellence in Teaching*, College of Arts & Letters, Old Dominion University.
- 1991 *Top Paper Award*. Family Communication Division, Speech Communication Association (Atlanta, GA).
- 1990 Designated a "Most Effective Teacher," College of Arts and Sciences Senior Survey, Loyola University Chicago.

PUBLICATIONS

*Refereed.

Books, Journal, and Special Journal Issues

*Socha, T. J. (Ed.). (2001). Special Issue: Family communication progressing into the 21st Century. *Journal of Family Communication*, 1(1), 1-90.

*Socha, T. J. (Ed.). (2000-2005). *Journal of Family Communication*, 1-5. Founding Editor of the national research journal, published by Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

*Socha, T. J., & Diggs, R. H. (Eds.) (1999). *Communication, race, and family: Explorations of communication in Black, White, and Bi-Racial families*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

*Socha, T. J., & Stamp, G. H. (Eds.) (1995). *Parents, children, and communication: Frontiers of theory and research*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

Book Chapters

*Socha, T. J. (2006). Orchestrating and directing domestic potential through communication: Towards a Positive Reframing of "Discipline." In L. Turner & R. West (Eds.), *Family communication: A reference for theory and research* (pp. 219-236). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

*Diggs, R. H., & Socha, T. J. (2004). Communication, families, and exploring the boundaries of cultural diversity. In A. Vangelisti (Ed), *Handbook of Family Communication* (pp. 249-266). Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

*Socha, T. J., & Albada, K. (2002). Towards good global warming: Improvements in Inter-racial communication climate in Departments of Communication. J. Trent (Ed.), *Included in Communication*. Washington, DC: American Association for Higher Education.

*Socha, T. J. (2000). Using behavioral similarities to stimulate family conversation. In W. Gorden, & C. Waugh (Eds.), *Let's talk: Cognitive-skills approach to interpersonal communication*. NJ/DE: Kendall-Hunt

*Socha, T. J. (1999). Communication and family units: Studying the first "group". In L. Frey, M. S. Poole, & D. Gouran, (Eds.), *Handbook of small group communication*. Newbury Park, CA: Sage.

Socha, T. J. & Diggs, R. H. (1999). At the crossroads of communication, race, and family: Theory and research. In T. Socha, & R. Diggs, (Eds.). *Communication, race, and family: Explorations of communication in Black, White, and Bi-Racial families*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

Socha, T. J., & Beigle, J. (1999). Improving life at the crossroads: Family communication education and multi-cultural competence. In T. Socha, & R. Diggs, (Eds.), *Communication, race, and family: Explorations of communication in Black, White, and Bi-Racial families* (pp. 209-227). Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

*Socha, T. J. (1997). Group communication across the life span. In L. Frey, & K. Barge (Eds.), *Managing group life: Communicating in decision making groups* (pp. 3-28). Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin.

Socha, T. J., & Stamp, G. (1995). Expanding the conceptual frontier: Studying parents, children, & communication. In T. Socha, & G. Stamp (Eds.), *Parents, children & communication: Frontiers of theory and research* (p. iv- xvii). Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

Socha, T. J., Sanchez-Hucles, J., Bromley, J., & Kelly, B. (1995). Invisible parents and children: Exploring African American parent-child communication. In T. Socha, & G. Stamp (Eds.), *Parents, children, & communication: Frontiers of theory and research* (pp.127-145). Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

*Socha, T. J., & Socha, D. M. (1994). Children's task group communication: Did we learn it all in kindergarten? In L. Frey (Ed.), *Group communication in context: Studies of natural groups* (pp. 227-246). Hillsdale, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum. [This book won the 1996 Gerald R. Miller Book Award and the 1995 Applied Book of the Year Award from the National Communication Association].

Socha, T. J. (1991). Conversation analysis. In Frey, L., Botan, C., Friedman, P., & Kreps, G. *Investigating communication: An introduction to research methods* (pp. 216-224). Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice Hall.

Articles and Reviews

Socha, T. J. (2001). Home, family and communication: The horizon through a wide lens. *Journal of Family Communication*, 1, 1-7.

*Socha, T. J. (1998). Developing an undergraduate teaching assistant program in communication: Values, curriculum and preliminary assessment. *Journal of the Association for Communication Administration*, 27, 77-83.

Socha, T. J. (1998). *Children learning the rules*. [A review of *Children learning the rules*]. *Communication Education*, 47, 91-92.

Socha, T. J. (1997). Advertising and children. [A review of *Harvesting Minds: Advertising and Channel One schools*]. *Journal of Popular Film and Television*, 25, 139-140.

Socha, T. J. (1997). Widening the lens on adolescents' relationships. [Review of *Adolescents' Personal Relationships*]. *Contemporary Psychology*, 42(5), 432-434.

Socha, T. J. (1997). Focus on humor. [Review of *Blind men, elephants, and humor*]. *Communication Booknotes*, 20, 23.

Socha, T. J. (1996). TV, Film, and Families. [Review of *Living room lectures: The fifties family in film and television*]. *Journal of Popular Film and Television*, 24, 46.

*Socha, T. J., & Kelly, B. (1994). Children making fun: Humorous communication, impression management, and moral development. *Child Study Journal*, 24, 237-252.

Socha, T. J. (1994). A look at humor. [Review of Conversational joking]. *Contemporary Psychology*, 30, 296.

*Socha, T. J. (1985). *The Paideia Proposal*. Implications and challenges for communication instruction. *Iowa Journal of Speech Communication*, 17(1), 35-44.

Abstracts, Proceedings, Technical Reports, ERIC Documents

*Socha, T. J., Sanchez-Hucles, J., & Bromley, J. (1995, June). Cultural parent-child communication: A conceptual model and look at African-Americans [Abstract]. *Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference on Personal Relationships*, College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA.

*Socha, T. J. (1991, May). The parental guilt episode: Daughters' and sons' orientations [Abstract]. *Proceedings of the Third International Network Conference on Personal Relationships*, Illinois State University, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois.

*Socha, T. J. (1991). *Communicating guilt: Daughters, sons, and parental guilt episodes* [Technical Report, Old Dominion University Main Library P90.04S53]. Norfolk, VA: Old Dominion University Research Foundation. [45 pages]

*Cooper, V. W., & Socha, T. J. (1990, July). Deceptive communication in personal relationships [Abstract]. *Proceedings of the International Conference on Personal Relationships*, Oxford University, England.

*Socha, T. J. (1986). Adding Glamour to theory: Experiencing theory in the basic course in Interpersonal communication. *Resources in Education*, ERIC Document (No. ED 264 631).

Videotape

Socha, T. J. (Co-Producer), Graham, P. (Co-Producer), & Harder, J. (Videographer). (1989). *Contest, sexuality, and rhetoric: The scholarship of Walter Ong, S.J.* [videotape]. Chicago, IL: Loyola University Chicago.

WORK ACCEPTED FOR FUTURE PUBLICATION OR PRESENTATION

*Socha, T. J. (in press, 2009). Family as agency of potential: Towards a positive model of applied family communication theory and research. In L. Frey & K. Cissna (Eds.), *Handbook of applied communication*. New York: Routledge/Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

*Socha, T. J., & Stamp, G. H. (Eds.), (in press 2009). *Parents & children communicating with society; Managing relationships outside of home*. New York: Routledge.

Socha, T. J., & Stamp, G. H. (in press, 2009). The expanding frontier of parent-child communication research. In T. J. Socha & G. H. Stamp (Eds.), *Parents & children communicating with society; Managing relationships outside of home*. New York: Routledge.

PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

*Competitively selected.

National and International

Socha, T. J. (2008). *Building positive communication pedagogy: Positive experiential communication learning in human relating*. A top paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, San Diego.

*Socha, T. J., & Basden-Arnold, L. (2006, November). *Disabilities and the family communication classroom: A positive approach to managing conceptual, theoretical and applied obstacles*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, San Antonio Texas.

Socha, T. J. (2006, November). *Communication and hope*. A paper presented on a panel based on my keynote to the 2005 Hope at Luther Conference at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, San Antonio, Texas.

Socha, T. J. (2005, November). *Family as agency of potential: Towards a positive ontology of family communication*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Boston, MA.

*Socha, T. J., & Staten, C. (2005, November). *Parenting by sound, touch, and scent I: Towards a positive research agenda*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Boston, MA.

Socha, T. J. (2003). *Comments on epistemology and editing JFC*. A paper presented at the Pre-conference "Facing our epistemologies: Reaching In to encourage multiple foundations for studying relationships and interaction" at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Miami.

Diggs, R. C., & Socha, T. J. (2003). *The boundaries of diversity*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Miami.

Socha, T. J. (2003). *Towards an integrative model addressing the question "Interpersonal versus group" in approaching the study of families*. A paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Miami.

*Staten, C. D., & Socha, T. J. (2002, November). *Flying blind: Learning to pilot an introductory communication class as a blind undergraduate teaching assistant*. A paper presented at annual meeting of the National Communication Association, New Orleans. Paper won the top debut paper award for Corey Staten.

Socha, T. J. (2002, November). *Developing a foundation for the castle: Towards a national research scaffold for Family Communication: A proposal*. A paper presented at the Family Communication Pre-Conference at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, New Orleans.

Socha, T. J. (2002, November). *Publishing journal articles in family communication*. A paper given at the Family Communication Pre-conference at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, New Orleans.

*Yingling, J. T., & Socha, T. J. (2001, November). *Children are family communicators too*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Atlanta, GA.

Socha, T. J. (2001, June). *Teaching communication research methods via satellite: Reflections on the transition into Cyberspace (1996 and 2000)*. A paper presented as a part of a workshop at the Summer Conference of the National Communication Association, Washington, DC.

*Socha, T. J. (2000, November). *Toward improving the status of children in the field of communication: How has Communication Studies viewed children?* A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Seattle, WA.

Socha, T. J., & Beigle, J. (1999, November). *Family communication-education and race*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Chicago.

*Socha, T. J. (1998, November). *Family communication: An early training ground for later groups*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, New York.

Socha, T. J. (1997, November). *Group hate across the life span*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Chicago. [Invited paper to a competitive panel].

*Socha, T. J. (1997, November). *Research methods retrospective: Lessons learned lived and via satellite*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Chicago.

*Stamp, G. H., & Socha, T. J. (1996, November). *Methodological border issues in the study of personal relationships*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, San Diego, CA.

Socha, T. J. (1996, November). *Overview and progress on family communication & culture project: Works-in-progress panel*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, San Diego, CA.

Socha, T. J. (1995, November). *Family communication education and African-American families: A selected primer*. A paper presented at the Family Communication Pre-conference at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, San Antonio, Texas.

*Socha, T. J., Sanchez-Hucles, J., & Bromley, J. (1995, June). *Cultural parent-child communication: A conceptual model and look at African-Americans*. A paper presented at the Fifth International Personal Relationships Network Conference, College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA.

*Socha, T. J., (1994, November). *Conceptualizing humorous communication: Old problems and new directions*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Socha, T. J., & Socha, D. M. (1993, May). *Children's task group communication: Did we learn it all in kindergarten? A paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Washington, D. C.*

*Socha, T. J. (1992, November). *Humor message production: Conceptualizations, approaches, alternatives*. A paper presented at the Seminar Series on Humor and Communication at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, Chicago, Illinois.

*Socha, T. J. (1991, May). *The parental guilt episode: Daughters' and sons' orientations*. A paper presented at the Third International Personal Relationships Network Conference, Illinois State University, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois.

*Cooper, V. W., & Socha, T. J. (1991, May). *Relational counter-intelligence: The communicative disguise of a Soviet spy*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Chicago, Illinois.

*Socha, T. J. (1991, November). *The parental guilt episode: Exploring parents' messages*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, Atlanta, Georgia. [Top Paper in Family Communication].

*Socha, T. J. (1990, June). *Wives, husbands, communication, & equality: An investigation of decision topic control and decision conversation control among married couples*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Dublin [A top 3 panel]

*Cooper, V. W., & Socha, T. J. (1990, July). *Deception in personal relationships: Disguising self in everyday life*. A paper presented in poster form at the International Conference on Personal Relationships, Oxford University, England.

Socha, T. J. (1987, May). *Telling teacher a joke: A conversation analytic study of children communicating humor*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

*Socha, T. J. (1985, November). *Adding Glamour to theory: Experiencing theory in the interpersonal communication course*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, Denver, Colorado.

Regional and State

Socha, T. J. (April, 2008). A positive approach to service learning in the communication classroom. A paper presented on a Vice President's Spotlight Panel at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Savannah, GA.

Socha, T. J. (2007, April). *Toward a positive communication-ontology: The variable of hope in research and classroom*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Louisville, KY.

Socha, T. J. (April, 2007). *A positive approach to studying the communication of blind parents*. A poster presented at the Research Expo, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.

Socha, T. J. (2006, April). Towards a positive ontology of applied family communication theory and research. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Dallas, Texas.

Socha, T. J. (2005, April). *Communication's role in family "problems": Towards positive applied family communication research*. A poster presented at Old Dominion University Research Day, Office of Research.

Socha, T. J. (2005, April). *Family as agency of potential: A turn towards positive theorizing*. A top-3 paper, Applied Communication Division presented at the Southern States Communication Association, Baton Rouge, LA.

Socha, T. J. (2005, April). *Chances for dialogue—Creating and enhancing applied dialogue in families*. A roundtable presentation, Southern States Communication Association, Baton Rouge, LA.

*Socha, T. J., & COMM 302 Students. (2005, April). *Students' perceptions and concerns about communicating instructor and course feedback online*. Paper to be presented at the Southern States Communication Association, Baton Rouge, LA.

Socha, T. J. (2002, April). *Teaching communication research methods via satellite: Reflections on the transition into cyberspace (1996 and 2000)*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Winston-Salem, NC.

Socha, T. J. (2000). *Children's communication and school violence: Towards a conceptual model*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.

*Socha, T. J. (1999, April). *Ethnic diversity and the role of family communication in moving toward cultural pluralism in the future*. A paper presented at the joint meeting of the Southern States Communication Association and the Central States Communication Association, St. Louis, MO.

*Socha, T. J. (1996, March). *Interpersonal communication USA 2032: A reexamination of Carl Rogers' Vision of the future*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Memphis TN.

*Socha, T. J. (1996, March). *Overview and preliminary assessment of an undergraduate teaching assistant program in communication*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Memphis, TN.

*Socha, T. J. (1997, September). *Old Dominion's undergraduate teaching assistant program: Preparing future GTA's*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Virginia Association of Communication Arts & Sciences, Richmond, VA.

Socha, T. J. (1995, April). *African-American parent-child communication: A discussion of methods*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.

*Socha, T. J. (1996, September). *Teaching communication research methods via satellite*. A paper presented at the annual meeting the Virginia Association of Communication Arts & Sciences, Williamsburg, VA.

*Socha, T. J., & Kelly, B. (1994, April). *Children's humorous communication: The impact of construct system development, humor orientation, gender, on children's linguistic humor expertness*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Norfolk, Virginia.

*Socha, T. J., & Murphy, B. A. (1990, April). *Symbolic convergence theory, communication and communal living groups: An exploratory study*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Central States Communication Association Conference, Detroit, Michigan.

*Socha, T. J. (1984, May). *The Paideia Proposal: Implications and challenges for communication instruction*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Iowa Communication Association, Newton, Iowa.

*Socha, T. J., & Dawes, D. A. (1982, May). *The 80s a heroic age: An assessment of the heroes and heroines of youth*. A paper presented at the annual meeting of the Iowa Communication Association, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

GRANTS AWARDED:

Research

Summer Faculty Research Grant [\$3500]. Office of Research and Graduate Study, Old Dominion University, 1990. Grant covered summer salary and expenses for an exploratory project that examined guilt as compliance-gaining tactic in parent-child relationship.

Small Grant Program Award [\$1000]. College of Arts & Letters Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia, 1991. A competitive award to fund data collection for a study of humor message production development of elementary school children.

Small Grant Program Award [\$1000]. College of Arts & Letters Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia, 1993. A competitive award to provide additional funds for data analysis for two research projects (guilt and humor).

Curriculum Development

Carnegie-Mellon Award for Curriculum Development [\$1,200]. College of Arts and Sciences, Loyola University Chicago, with Dr. Patricia Graham (Department of Classical Studies).

An award for the production of a videotape featuring work of the Rev. Dr. Walter J. Ong, S.J.

Faculty Development

Faculty Development Grant [\$703]. Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. A grant to attend the SCA Summer Conference on Graduate Education in Communication Conference, Washington, D.C. July 1996.

Travel Grant [\$2000] to attend a class at the Intercultural Communication Institute, Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon. Old Dominion University, Office of International Programs, July 1997.

Travel Grant [\$1000] to attend a study tour of universities in South Africa, August 1999

WORK IN PROGRESS

Books:

Socha, T. J., & Yingling, J. A. (2010). *Families communicating with children* [Working title]. Cambridge, UK: Polity Press.

Socha, T. J., & Pitts, M. (Eds.). *The positive side of interpersonal communication*. [A co-edited book proposed to Routledge].

Research Studies:

McCrowell, A., & Socha, T. J. [Conversations of a lifetime: Positive communication memories of senior citizens]. IRB approval came December 2007 and interviewing has begun January 2008 with the help of ODU COMM research assistant, Emily Stracinar.

COURSES TAUGHT

Continuing Education

National Communication Association's Summer Faculty Development Institute (Hope at Luther), Luther College, Decorah, Iowa [as of 2007 located at Randolph Macon College, Lynchburg, VA].

- *A positive perspective on family communication* (Summer 2008).
- *Communication Research Methods* (Summer 2005).
- *Communication at Home* (Summer 2003)

Graduate

Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia (Summer 1999)

- *Ph.D. Seminar in Family Communication.*

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia (1989-).

- Special Topics in Communication: Positive Communication and Human Relating.
- Special Topics in Communication: The Dark Side of Communication
- Special Topics in Communication: Communication and Intimacy
- Special Topics in Communication: Children and Communication in Contemporary Society
- Children's Communication
- Communication in Family Systems
- Interpersonal Communication

Undergraduate:

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia (1989-)

- Special Topics in Communication: Positive Communication in Human Relating
- Tutorial in Special Topics in Speech.
- Special Topics in Communication: Children and Communication in Contemporary Society
- Special Topics in Communication: Communication and Intimacy
- Communication Education Practicum [Co-founder of the Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Program and instructor of this course for 15 years]
- Children's Communication

- Communication in Family Systems)
- Interpersonal Communication
- Communication Between the Sexes
- Small Group Communication
- Communication Research Methods II
- Communication Research Methods I
- COMM 302-TV. Televised course in Old Dominion's TELETECHNET system.
- Communication Research Methods I
- Introduction to Human Communication
- Public Speaking

Loyola University Chicago (1985-1989)

- Seminar: Marital Communication
- Seminar: Conversation Analysis
- Interpersonal Communication
- Small Group Communication
- Persuasion
- Organizational Communication
- Intercultural Communication
- Introduction to Human Communication
- Business & Professional Speaking
- Public Speaking

The University of Iowa, Iowa City (1981-1985)

- Special topics: Family Communication [The first family communication course at the University of Iowa]
- Introduction to Interpersonal Communication
- Introduction to Small Group Communication
- Rhetoric 10:3
- Rhetoric 10:2
- Rhetoric 10:1

University of Illinois Medical Center, Chicago (1980)

- Introduction to the Patient for third-year medical students.

University of Illinois at Chicago (1979-1981)

- Interpersonal Communication, Assisted Professor Robert T. Craig.

GRADUATE THESIS COMMITTEES

Raynor, M. (2004). Idiomatic communication and marriage. Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. [Thesis advisor]

Ganesan, P. (1998). Intercultural communication and embarrassment. Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. [Thesis advisor]

Earl, Elanor. (1994). Group therapy: A play. Unpublished MA. thesis, Institute for the Humanities, Old Dominion University. [Thesis advisor]

Keating, C. (1993). A limited intervention strategy: Facilitating development of the organizational dialectic process to enhance organizational learning. Unpublished PhD Dissertation, Department of Engineering Management, Old Dominion University. [Committee member, Director Fred Steier.]

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECTS DIRECTED

Old Dominion University

Hnath, B. (1998). *Electronic mail and relational satisfaction between students and parents*. A funded, Honors Project, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.

Beigle, J. (1997). *Communication and university honor code management*. A directed study. Department of Communication & Theatre Arts, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.

Bromley, J. (1994). *Gender and cultural differences in reported parental disciplining in public contexts*. A paper presented at Undergraduate Honors Conference, Southern States Communication Association, Norfolk, Virginia.

Passoa, W. (1990). *Public affairs and the USS Iowa: Communication during the first weeks of a tragedy*. Unpublished paper, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Old Dominion University.

Loyola University Chicago

Dempsey, H. (1988). *Saying no: Women's compliance resisting strategies*. A paper presented at the annual undergraduate honors conference, Depauw University, Greencastle, IN.

Ziemba, C. (1988). *A conversation analytic study of complaining in an elderly community*. Unpublished paper, Department of Communication, Loyola University Chicago.

Dowd, F. (1987). *Talking about decisions: A literature review and study of attorney-client decision conversation*. Unpublished paper, Department of Communication, Loyola University Chicago.

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

Communication Institute for Online Scholarship
National Communication Association
Southern States Communication Association

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Old Dominion University

Judge	ODU's 2008 Research Expo.
Member	Steering Committee, ODU's SACS Re-Accreditation, 2000-2001.
Member	Teletechnet Advisory Committee, 1999-2000
Chair	SACS Re-accreditation, Institutional Advancement Committee, 1999-2002.
Member	University Institutional Review Board for Research with Human Subjects, 1996-1999
Member	Executive Committee, Faculty Senate, 1995-1996
Chair	Faculty Status Committee, Faculty Senate, 1994-1995
Senator	Faculty Senate. 1994-1996
Participant	President's Bus Tour, 1995 & 1996
Member	Academic Honors Review Committee, 1993.
Marshall	Commencements. 1990-2001; 2004, 2005, 2006.

College of Arts & Letters, Old Dominion University:

Chair	Dean's Advisory Council, 2001-2002.
Chair	Search Committee, Joint Appointment in Communication and Humanities, 1999-2000.
Presenter	Arts & Letters New Faculty Orientation, 1998, 1999.
Member	Internship & Practicum Committee, 1999-2000
Presenter	Arts & Letters Pre-Tenure Workshop, Spring 1998.
Member	Graduate Program Review Committee [Appointed by Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Study], 1997-1998.

Member. College Tenure and Promotion Committee, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2003, 2005.

Chair College Review Board for Research with Human Subjects, 1996-1999

Presenter Invited Lectures to: Russian, Ukrainian, and Thai faculty delegations of the International Research Exchange (IREX) Program. Topic: "Humor and communication" (June, 1994, June 1995, June 1996)
Participant Foreign Language Center's Bridge Program for Incoming Foreign Students (F94, F96, S97, F01, S02)

Member Dean's Ad Hoc Budget Review Committee, 1994-1995.

Member Institute of Humanities Board, 1992

Member Research and Publication Committee, 1992-1993; 2005-2006;

Chair Research and Publication Committee, 1996-1997; 2004-2005

Member Graduate Studies Committee, 1989-1995

Chair Task force on high enrollment in upper division courses, 1991.

Member Curriculum Committee, 1989-1991.

Department of Communication & Theatre Arts, Old Dominion University:

Member Search Committee for Department Secretary (2002)

Chair Search Committee, Joint Appointment in Communication and Humanities (2000)

Chair Search Committee, Professional Communication position (2000)

Interim
Department

Chair Responsible for budget, personnel, faculty, and students for three divisions(Communication, Theatre, and Dance). 1999-2000, Summer 2001, Summer 2002.

Chair Department Tenure and Promotion Committee, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003.

Member Department Tenure and Promotion Committee since 1996.

Member Department Search Committees, 2006 1999, 1997, 1995, 1994, 1990,

Chair. Department Search Committee, 2006 (2 committees), 1998.

Assistant. Departmental retreat, 1994 & 1996.

Member Department Standards Committee, 94-95.

Coordinator Campus visits of: Dr. Gary Kreps (2006), Dr. Thomas Frentz (1994), Dr. Susan Siltanen (1994), Dr. James McCroskey (1992), Dr. Lawrence Frey (1991), Dr. James Applegate (1990).

Founding
Advisor Alpha Iota Chapter of Lambda Pi Eta; the National Communication Undergraduate Honor Society at Old Dominion University, 1992-

Present.

Coordinator Assessment Program, Communication Division, 1990-2000.

Drafter Department's Three year strategic plan, 1991.

Judge Senior speech contest, 1990-1994.

Drafter and
Coordinator Proposal for a new graduate degree: MA in Media Arts, Form 2 proposal, State Council of Higher Education in Virginia. With Dr. Erlene Hendrix, Associate Vice President, Dr. David Hager and Dr. Fran Hassencahl, 1990-1992

Chair Search Committee, Intercultural communication position, 1998.

Member Film and Video Festival Committee Member, 1998-1999; 1999-2000

Moderator Film and Video Festival Event, 2001.

SERVICE TO OTHER UNIVERSITIES:

Guest Lecture University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Communication and diversity: Theoretical and methodological challenges. Invited public lecture and Ph.D. class lecture. Department of Communication (2002, April)

Guest lecture East Carolina University. Communication, Race, and Family. Invited public lecture and undergraduate class presentations (Spring 2000).

External
Reviewer Texas Tech University, University of Texas, San Antonio, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis; Southern Illinois University; Humboldt State University; Arizona State University West, University of Northern Iowa, Marquette University.

Advisor
and Consultant New M.Ed. degree proposal in Family Studies, Department of Educational Psychology, Loyola University Chicago. Professor Anne Juhasz, Coordinator, 1988-1989.

Presenter Speeches to College of Arts and Sciences Incoming Freshmen and Parents, Loyola University Chicago, 1986-1988.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Editorial:

Editorial Board Member *Communication Education*. 2002-2005.

- Founding Editor *Journal of Family Communication*. 1999-2005.
- Editorial Board Member *Southern Communication Journal*: 1998-2001; 2001-2004;
2004-2007, 2007-2010.
- Editorial Board Member Special Issue on Revitalizing Small Group
Communication, *Communication Studies*, 1995
- Editorial Board Member Special Issue on Applied Family Communication
Research, *Journal of Applied Communication Research*,
1995
- Editorial Board Member *Handbook of Group Communication*, Edited by Lawrence
Frey and published by Sage, 1997.

Reviewer of Journal Manuscripts for:

- Journal of Social and Personal Relationships* 1989-1998.
Journal of Marriage and the Family 1992.
Western Journal of Communication 1993, 1995, 2004
Communication Monographs 1993, 1995, 2000, 2004
Communication Theory, 1996, 1997.
Human Communication Research, 2004.

Reviewer of Book Proposals and Book Manuscripts for:

- Allyn & Bacon
Gorsuch, Scarisbrick
Lawrence Erlbaum Associates
Mayfield
McGraw-Hill
Polity Press (Cambridge)
Prentice Hall
Routledge
Sage
SUNY Press.
Wadsworth
William C. Brown

Praxis II Speech Communication Exam, National Board Member:

National Speech Communication Praxis II Examination Board, Educational Testing Services, Princeton, New Jersey. 2006-2007. Consultant and contributor of revisions and items to the Praxis II national examination for teacher certification in Speech Communication

Offices and Committees in Professional Associations:

National/International

Pre-conference

Co-Organizer Bishop Mills, C., & Socha, T. J. (2006). A pre-conference on the state of children's communication. National Communication Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.

Instructor Master class. Do you know where the children are in family communication? An invited class presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association Miami, 2004.

Organizer The State of Family Communication Education: Family Communication Division, Pre-Conference, National Communication Association, for the 1999 meeting in Chicago, with Dr. K. Galvin and Dr. R. Davilla.

Chair Family Communication Division, National Communication Association. (98-99)

Vice Chair Family Communication Division, National Communication Association. Vice Chair, planned the NCA Family Communication Division Program for the 1998 conference in New York City.

Vice Chair Elect Family Communication Division, National Communication Association.

Respondent Applied Communication panel, National Communication Association meeting, 1997; Family Communication panel, National Communication Association, 1998, 2002, 2003, 2006.

Paper reader Family Communication Division, Speech Communication Association, 1996.

Member	Gerald Miller Book Award and Franklin Knower Article Award Committee, Interpersonal & Small Group Communication Division, Speech Communication Association, 1995.
Member	Gerald R. Miller Early Career Award committee, International Network on Personal Relationships, 1993-1995.
Symposium Moderator	Investigating parent-child communication in contemporary society," International Personal Relationships Network Conference, Williamsburg, VA., June 1995.
Regional	
Vice President-Elect	Southern States Communication Association, 2008. Responsible for planning the Theodore Clevenger Undergraduate Honors Conference at the annual SSCA meeting, Norfolk, VA.
Chair	Research Committee, SSCA. Responsible for leading the development of a proposal for a new journal, Qualitative Research in Communication, to Taylor & Francis
Chair	Local of Local Arrangements, SSCA meeting in Norfolk, VA
Chair	Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 2007.
Vice Chair	Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 2006.
Vice Chair-Elect	Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 2005.
Nominee	Vice President Elect of the Southern States Communication Association, 2000.
Acting Chair	Interpersonal Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 1998-1999.
Chair.	Interpersonal Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 1997-1998.

- Vice Chair Interpersonal Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association, 1996-1997.
- Vice-Chair
Elect Interpersonal Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association.) 1995-1996.
- Chair Time & Place Committee, Southern States Communication Association, 1999-2000
- Member Time & Place Committee, Southern States Communication Association, 1998-1999
- Member Time & Place Committee, Southern States Communication Association, 1997-1998
- Chair Local Arrangements, Southern States Communication Association Conference, Norfolk, Virginia, 1994.
- Moderator. "Chicago Radio Talk Show Hosts." Featured panel at the Loyola National Radio Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 1987.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

National Print Media

Interviewed for articles that have appeared in:

Redbook magazine (November 1998, p. 182): Article about the TV program *Rugrats*.

TV GUIDE magazine (October 28-November 3, 1995, p. 28): Feature article about children's humor and television.

Orlando Sentinel (3/13/96): Feature article about grandparent-grandchild communication at a distance.

Chicago Tribune (6/9/96): Feature article about parent-child communication and racial socialization.

Times Union (Albany, NY, 6/27/96): Feature article about children communication and racial socialization.

Augusta Chronicle (Augusta, GA, 6/30/96): Feature article children and race relations.

Akron Beacon Journal (Akron, OH, 7/7/96): Feature article about children and racial socialization.

Aspire Magazine (Aug-Sept, 1996): Feature article about parental self-disclosure.

Regional and Local Print and Electronic Media

WHRV-FM. Hear Say (with Cathy Lewis). November 9, 2008. Show "Rumor Mill." I was a guest expert on the topic of gossip in human relationships

Virginian Pilot (January 2006). Article about children's use of electronic media in the grieving process.

Tidewater Parent Magazine. (2006, January). Feature article about parents' communication with difficult parents.

Commentary. WAVY-TV 10. (2001, April) Race relations, home and adolescents. Interviewed in home for a story about teaching positive communication about race at home,

Featured guest on radio show, "With Good Reason," (WCVE-Richmond), taped 4/10/2001 Aired 5/10/2001. Topic: Families and media.

Virginian Pilot, 12/98. Feature story about my class study of the show *Blue's Clues*.

Commentary. WAVY-TV 10, 9/11/98. Interviewed in my home about Presidential sex scandal and how to talk with children about sexually explicit material. Taped was aired at the 5 PM newscast and I took questions from callers live on the 6 PM newscast.

Commentary, FOX 10 PM local news, 9/11/98. Topic: Talking with children about sex.

Commentary, WAVY TV-10, 1/27/98. Topic: Parent-child communication about Presidential sex scandal.

Featured guest on *Live at 9*, WVEC-TV (CBS), Norfolk, 12/24/96. Topic: Family communication during holidays.

Quoted in *Virginian Pilot*, feature article about parent-child communication concerning parental disclosure about parents' previous drug use, 1/29/96.

Quoted in *Virginian Pilot* for feature article about grandparent-teenager

communication, 1/10/96

30-minute interview on FM 99, WNOR, Norfolk, VA. About children's communication (humor, emotions, and parent-child relationships). Aired: 12/12/95.

Subject of a feature article in *Courier* (Nov, 1995) about parent-child communication book.

Subject of feature article in *Mace & Crown* (October 10, 1995. p 4) that focused on parent-child communication book.

Guest on "One Flight Up" [radio talk show]. Interview with callers about marital decision conversation, live show, WBEZ, 91.5 FM, *Chicago's National Public Radio Station*, January 4 1990.

Guest on "Vantage Point" [public affairs program] with Mary Ann Schwartz, Department of Sociology, Northeastern Illinois University, *WCLR, 102 FM, Chicago*. Topic: Marital decision making. Taped February 15 1989. Aired August 27 1989.

Guest on 30-minute community affairs show to discuss marital decision conversation and decision making. WBBM, 96 FM, CBS Radio Chicago. Taped January 25 1989. Aired March 15 1989.

On-air Jazz personality, WLW, FM 89, Chicago, 1980-82.

Lectures, Consulting, Workshops, and Other Community Service

Socha, T. J. (2007, August). A ½ day class on the foundations of positive communication for the ODU Institute for Learning in Retirement, Virginia Beach Higher Education Center.

Socha, T. J. (2007, February). A 60-minute talk at the ODU Virginia Beach Higher Education Center on Positive Family Communication.

Socha, T. J. (2007, May). A 60-minute talk to a parent education class at the ODU Child Study Center on Communication, Children, & Humor.

Presentation. Virginia Rehabilitation for the Blind and Visually Impaired. College Awareness Program, Richmond, VA., May 2000.

Presentation & workshop: "Communication, Cohesiveness, & Productivity," given to officers aboard the aircraft carrier USS. George Washington, at the request of LCDR Garret Hart. (April, 1997) [Paid consultancy]

Judge, Odyssey of the Mind Competition (Elementary School Level), 1997, 1998, 1999 (Regional level)

Consulting Editor for VCEA Accreditation Self-Study Report, Star of the Sea Elementary School, Virginia Beach, Virginia (1994-1995)

Provided expert testimony for 7th Circuit Court of Appeals case (Chicago) concerning audiotape conversational evidence used in a drug trafficking and gambling trial, August 1994.

Prepared research and gave expert testimony (pro bono) concerning the effects of courtroom cameras on witnesses' testimony, as requested by defense counsel and judge in a murder trial, Norfolk, VA., 1993.

Presented an invited 60-minute presentation about "Communication and Gender issues in Women's Health," with Ms. Sandra Joe to physicians, nurses, and health administrators. Veterans' Administration, Conference on Women's Health, Hampton, Virginia, 1993.

Presented a two-hour workshop on "Effective teacher-parent communication" for school faculty, Star of the Sea Elementary School, Virginia Beach, VA., 1992.

Consulted on development of video tape and Guest Expert on 90-minute cable television presentation about "Effective social confrontation" for school principals and administrators. Office of Staff Development, Norfolk Public Schools, Norfolk, Virginia, 1991.

Guest Discussant, "Ongoing deception in personal relationships: Bigamy and Espionage" (with Dr. V. Cooper), Tidewater Dinner Theatre, Norfolk, VA. 1990.

Science Fair Judge, Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Chicago, 1986, 1987.

Little League Baseball Coach, Virginia Beach Little League, 2002-2006.

Treasurer, Webmaster, and Statistician—Virginia Lady Miracles YBOA/AAU Girls' Basketball team, 2006-2008.

Score keeper, Kellam High School, Virginia Beach. Girls' Varsity and Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball Teams (away games), 2007-2008; for JV team 2008-2009

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