

Kelsey Hixson-Bowles

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Education

Ph.D.	Composition and Applied Linguistics	Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Expected May 2019
	Dissertation:	Laying the groundwork for transfer: A case study exploring the impact of strengths-based pedagogy on students' writing-related dispositions	
	Committee Members:	Dr. Dana Driscoll (Chair), Department of English Dr. Ben Rafoth, Department of English Dr. Bryna Siegel Finer, Department of English Dr. Jennifer Wells, Outside Reader	
M.A.	English: Composition, Rhetoric and Literature	Kansas State University	May 2014
	Master's Project:	Embodied Language, Knowledge, and Rhetoric in Dorothy Allison's <i>Two or Three Things I Know For Sure</i>	
	Committee Members:	Dr. Abby Knoblauch (Chair), Department of English Dr. Lisa Tatonnetti, Department of English Dr. Kara Northway, Department of English	
B.A.	English: Creative Writing Track	Kansas State University	May 2012

Writing Center and Administration Experience

Coordinator, Fugal Writing Center, Utah Valley University, February 2017-present

- Collaborate with administrative team to carry out the mission and strategic plan of the writing center
- Develop the growth of the Writing Fellows program
- Innovate new ways to facilitate writing in the disciplines education via tutoring and supplemental instruction
- Recruit faculty and peer tutors
- Interview, hire, and maintain training program for tutors, writing fellows, office assistants, and administrative support
- Assess Writing Fellows program through quantitative and qualitative measures of grades, writing dispositions, and satisfaction
- Manage schedule, budget, and other mechanics of Writing Fellows and aspects of broader writing center
- Create and implement transfer-based tutor education curriculum
- Mentor assistant coordinators, administrative assistants, tutors, and office assistants
- Conduct observations and evaluations of 20+ staff every semester
- Collaborate with allies across campus to host events such as scholarship workshops, finals-study events, and minority-focused academic support
- Create and manage staff and appointments-based schedules

Editor, Graduate Editing Service, Kathleen Jones White Writing Center, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, January 2016-January 2017

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- Edited an average of 3-4 dissertations and/or theses per month
- Provided in-text and summative feedback based on students' requests and my observations

Assistant Director, Kathleen Jones White Writing Center, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, August 2014-May 2016

- Mentored and supervised 30 tutors
- Designed and implemented tutor education including bi-weekly staff meetings and early semester orientations
- Recruited, interviewed, hired, and trained new tutors every semester
- Managed session summaries and requests to notify professors of visits
- Coordinated with faculty to schedule tutor-led workshops
- Mentored tutors in preparation of their workshops
- Collaborated with administrative team to maintain Online Writing Center
- Developed an inherited Lead Tutor program
- Collaborated with administrative team to implement a Graduate Editing Service

Summer Writing Center Supervisor, Kansas State University, June 2013-August 2013

- Mentored and supervised summer tutor
- Tutored online and in person as needed
- Implemented new Writing Center Online scheduling and online response system
- Managed writing center email account and responded to requests
- Developed promotional materials, such as bookmarks, a graduate student digital flier, and a sandwich board sign
- Collaborated with New Student Services to write talking points about the Writing Center for campus tours
- Collaborated with the directors to design fall training based off of tutors' spring reflections
- Designed new bulletin board to highlight tutors' research and conference travel

Writing Center Graduate Intern, Kansas State University, January 2013-May 2013

- Observed and participated in meetings aimed to foster support of writing center stakeholders, such as the Vice Provost of Undergraduate Studies, librarians from the College of Architecture, and members of the Totally Tutoring coalition.
- Collaborated with Totally Tutoring to organize a pedagogical workshop, which included: researching and presenting options for workshop expenses, designing the program, handout, and evaluation, analyzing the data from the evaluation, and writing and presenting the assessment.
- Designed a research study, testing a method that engages undergraduates in tutoring research
- Collaborated with Dr. Northway on a report for the provost by contacting peer institutions' writing center directors to gather information about their staff make-up, funding, average number of sessions annually, etc.
- Contributed to the annual report by revising language used on previous reports and tailoring it to fit the various purposes and audiences
- Led staff meetings and community-building events
- Organized special interest groups (SIGs) for the tutors and staff to discuss topics such as race and gender in the writing center, and tutoring students and writing from different disciplines.
- Observed and participated in directors' weekly planning meeting, directors' one-on-one mid-semester evaluations with tutors, and new staff interviews
- Read landmark essays as well as new scholarship in the field
- Established both campus and national professional connections

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Writing Center Tutor, Kansas State University, January 2013-May 2014

- Tutored an average of 10-12 hours a week
- Developed and led staff meetings
- Conducted class visits to promote the writing center
- Volunteered on behalf of the writing center at an after school program for K-8 underprivileged children

Writing Fellows Program Founder, Kansas State University, January 2011-January 2012

- Surveyed K-State faculty's observations of students' writing abilities and willingness to participate in a writing fellows program
- Wrote a feasibility plan for the Next Big Thing entrepreneurship competition, won third place, \$750
- Developed application and interview materials
- Interviewed potential tutors and led hiring decisions
- Collaborated with the department Administrative Officer to set up new tutors on payroll
- Developed on-going, weekly training for tutors
- Collaborated with professors in Entrepreneurship to serve a total of 2 "Intro to Entrepreneurship" courses
- Organized write-ins for the "Intro to Entrepreneurship" courses
- Assessed the program via reflection and evaluation materials from the students, professor, and tutors
- Prepared and presented an end-of-year assessment report to the Dean of Business, Department Head of English, Writing Center Director, Writing Center Development Director, and Entrepreneurship Professors

Housing and Dining Writing Tutor, Kansas State University, January 2011-May 2012

- Served as Housing and Dining's only writing tutor
- Tutored 4-6 hours a week

Research and Scholarship

Interests: Transfer of learning, dispositions towards writing, writing center studies, writing program administration, social justice in writing centers and writing classrooms

Publications

Hixson-Bowles, K. & Powell, R. (2019). Teaching tutors: Self-efficacy and the relationship between tutoring and writing. In K. G. Johnson, & T. Roggenbuck (eds.) *How We Teach Writing Tutors: A WLN Digital Edited Collection*. <https://wlnjournal.org/digitaleditedcollection1/Hixson-BowlesPowell.html>

Powell, R., & **Hixson-Bowles**, K. (2018). Too confident or not confident enough?: A quantitative snapshot of writing tutors' writing and tutoring self-efficacies. *Praxis: A Writing Center Journal*, 16(1). <http://www.praxisuwc.com/161-powell-and-hixson-bowles>

Hixson-Bowles, K. (2017). What I'm working on: "Graduate editing service." *WAC-GO Newsletter*. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8-DobJJolehRGUzN3UtZkVRVIU/view>

Hixson-Bowles, K. & Paz, E. (2015). Perspectives on and practices of collaborative scholarship. *The Peer Review*, 1. <http://thepeerreview-iwca.org/article.php?id=18>

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Conference Presentations

- Hixson-Bowles, K., Powell, R., & Nichols, J. (2019). *Performing persistence and displaying dispositions: Writing program design for engagement and retention*. Conference on College Composition and Communication, Pittsburgh, PA, March 13-16, 2019.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Schonberg, E., Northway, K., Hallman Martini, R., Riddick, S., Hooker, T., Johnson, K., & Roggenbuck, T. (2018). *Writing center publications editors roundtable*. International Writing Center Association, Atlanta, GA, October 10-13, 2017.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. (2017). *Leveraging institutional priorities to advance writing fellow programs' agendas*. International Writing Center Association, Chicago, IL, November 10-13, 2017.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., McKinley, M., Powell, R. (2017). *Google classroom hacks: How technology can help writing instructors cultivate students' reflection, metacognition, and transfer of learning*. Conference on College Composition and Communication, Portland, OR, March 15-17, 2017.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Rafoth, B., & Lutz, M. (2016). *Editing: Expanding the mission to meet graduate students' needs*. National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing, Puget Sound, WA, November 3-6.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. & Powell, R. (2016). *Surveying the self: Quantitative study of tutors' self-efficacy and identity*. International Writing Center Association, Denver, CO, October 14-16, 2016.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Driscoll, D., Powell, R., & Paszek, J. (2016). *Responding for transfer: A WAC approach to teacher feedback*. International Writing Across the Curriculum, Ann Arbor, MI, June 23-25, 2016.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Simpkins, N., & Azima, R. (2016). *Workshopping the IWCA Climate Survey*. International Writing Center Association Collaborative, Houston, TX, April 6, 2016.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Wynn Perdue, S., Driscoll, D., & Petrykowski, A. (2016). *Rendering visible the invisible: Qualitative coding for RAD researchers*. International Writing Center Association Collaborative, Houston, TX, April 6, 2016.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Powell, R., & Irwin, C. (2016). *You rocked that writing: Strengths, positive feedback, and transfer in the writing center*. Mid-Atlantic Writing Center Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, March 18-19, 2016.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Munday, N., & Rafoth, B. (2015). *A Mini-retreat for graduate school applicants*. National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing, Salt Lake City, UT, November 5-8, 2015.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. & Reyes, J. (2015). *Contextualizing our space: A quantitative analysis of writing center leadership and locality*. Mid-Atlantic Writing Center Association Conference, Harrisonburg, VA, April 10-11, 2015.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Rafoth, B., Marsellas, N., & Hynes, K. (2014). *How we talk about multilingual students' writing ('important staff meeting, everyone!')*. International Writing Center Association Conference, Orlando, FL, October 30-November 1, 2014.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., McKinney, C., Namovicz, L., Prescott, M., & Reyes, J. (2014). *Traveling beyond our borders: Opening our centers to culturally and linguistically diverse students*. International Writing Center Association's Collaborative at CCCC, Indianapolis, IN, March 19-22, 2014.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. & Northway, K. (2013). *Generating 'instant' research together: A new gateway drug for undergraduate tutors?*. Midwest Writing Center Association Conference, Skokie, IL, October 17-19, 2013.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Cochran, D., Nygren, K., & Beeson, A. (2013). *Derailing the hierarchy: How to hear the strategies of struggle*. Midwest Writing Center Association Conference, Skokie, IL, October 17-19, 2013.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Reyes, J., & Nulton, S. (2012). *Tutor tourism: Gaining global perspective from tutor exchange*. National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing, Chicago, IL, November 2-4, 2012.

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- Hixson-Bowles, K., Bromley, P., Northway, K., Agrawal, K., Dunleavy, R., Nesbitt, T., Martin, D., Wang, F., Miner, E., Reyes, J., & Davidson, R. (2012). *Cross-institutional writing center focus groups: Benefits, surprises, and pitfalls*. International Writing Centers Association, San Diego, CA, October 25-27, 2012.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Reyes, J., & Etelamaki, H. (2011). *Can a novel unify a campus? An exploration of the inaugural year of the common reader program at Kansas State University*. Sigma Tau Delta International Convention, Pittsburgh, PA, March 23-26, 2011.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. (2011). *Silent scream*. Sigma Tau Delta International Convention, Pittsburgh, PA, March 23-26, 2011.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Hadorn, M., & Reyes, J. (2011). *Bridging disciplines: Expanding the role of the writing center to facilitate collaboration between university communities*. Midwest Writing Center Association Conference, Madison, WI, October 20-22, 2011.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Murray, D., Reyes, J., Sanders, M., & Wilson, S. (2010). *Docking your boat: Tutors find safe passage through the shoals of the job market*. International Writing Centers Association/National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing 2010 Conference, Baltimore, MD, November 6, 2010.

Special Interest Groups

- Hixson-Bowles, K. & Gardner, C. (2016). Anti-racism activism special interest group. National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing, Puget Sound, WA, November 3-6.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. & Reyes, J. (2016). Anti-racism activism special interest group. Mid-Atlantic Writing Center Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, March 18-19, 2016.
- Hixson-Bowles, K., Munday, N., Abraham, S., & McDonald, K. (2015). Anti-racism special interest group. National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing, Salt Lake City, UT, November 5-8, 2015.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. & Reyes, J. (2015). Anti-racism special interest group. Mid-Atlantic Writing Center Association Conference, Harrisonburg, VA, April 10-11, 2015.
- Hixson-Bowles, K. & Reyes, J. (2014). Assistant director special interest group. International Writing Center Association Conference, Orlando, FL, October 30-November 1, 2014.

Research Internships

- Writing Center Administration and Research Internship, ENGL 797, Spring 2013
- Research Experience for Undergraduates Summer Internship, Summer 2009
- Kansas IDEA Network for Biomedical Experience Research Opportunity, 2009-2010
- Undergraduate Researcher, Dr. Michael Herman's Lab, Department of Biology, 2008-2010

Other Relevant Experience

- Supplemental Instruction Supervisor Training, June 4-6, 2018, UMKC, Kansas City, MO
- CITI training, Fall 2015
- International Writing Center Association Summer Institute, June 22 – 27, 2014, Lexington, KY

Teaching Experience

Guest Lecturer, Utah Valley University

- UVST 3110: Theory and Practice of Tutoring Writing (one class period), Spring 2017
- Primary Instructor: Dr. Joshua Hilst

Guest lecture on writing across the curriculum/writing in the disciplines, genre, and disciplinary writing conventions

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Primary Instructor, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

ENG 202: Research Writing (two sections: mainstream and transition), Fall 2016

Introductory writing course focused on research writing, genre, and writing in different disciplines

Primary Instructor, Kansas State University

ENGL 415: Written Communication for Engineers (one section), Spring 2014

Technical writing course focused on preparing engineering students to gather, use, and present technical information in a professional setting

ENGL 100: Expository Writing I (one section), Fall 2013

Introductory writing course focused on informative writing and preparing students for discussing identity issues, incl. gender, race, ethnicity and socio-economic class

ENGL 200: Expository Writing II (two sections), Fall 2012, Spring 2013

Introductory writing course focused on argumentation and effective writing in multiple genres

Co-Instructor, Kansas State University

EDCEP 120: Academic and Career Decisions (one section), Spring 2012

A one hour career planning class that covers topics such as choosing a major, exploring careers, making decisions, and learning how to use K-State career resources

Guest Lecturer, Kansas State University

ENGL 251: Intro. to Literature for non-majors (one class period), Spring 2013

Primary Instructor: Jessica Reyes, M.A.

Guest lecture on Alison Bechdel's *Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic*

Assistant Director of the Kathleen Jones White Writing Center, Indiana University of Pennsylvania (five semesters), Fall 2014-Spring 2016

In collaboration with director, secretary, and occasionally tutors, I developed and implemented 4 beginning-of-semester educational orientations for over 30 tutors. These orientations were followed up with bi-weekly staff meetings that I helped design and execute. Along with our on-going education program, I mentored over 30 tutors in one-on-one and group settings.

Writing Tutor, Indiana University of Pennsylvania (4 semesters), Kansas State University (6 semesters)

As a writing tutor, I have worked with writers as early as kindergarten and as advanced as assistant professors. Working with each writer, one-on-one, I determined what they needed help with and quickly responded with resources, advice, and lessons as necessary.

Service

Publications

The Peer Review

Interim Web Editor, August 2018-present

Graduate Co-Editor, August 2016-December 2018

Graduate Student Reviewer, April 2015-August 2016

Narratives of East Asian Women Teachers of English: Where Privilege Meets Marginalization
by Dr. Gloria Park

Copy editor, Summer - Fall 2016

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Invited talks and workshops

Measuring our students' learning: Program assessment strategies for using e-portfolios. March 14, 2016.
Collaborated with Dr. Dana Driscoll and Nadia Zamin to deliver this workshop to faculty at California University of Pennsylvania.

StrengthsQuest Resident Assistants Training. January 2011 and August 2011

Professional Organizations

International Writing Centers Association

Summer Institute Co-chair, January 2019-present

Mid Atlantic Writing Center Association

At-large member, March 2016-January 2017

Graduate Representative, April 2015-March 2016

Sigma Tau Delta English Honors Society

Student Advisor, Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society, September 2011-March 2014

- Voting member of the board

- Chair of Student Leadership Committee

- Serve on the following committees: Alumni/International, Convention, and Partnerships

High Plains Student Representative, March 2011-September 2011

Local Conferences and Workshops

Writing centers: How safe a space? February 27, 2016.

Collaborated with directors at Duquesne University, West Virginia University, and Indiana University of Pennsylvania to create a writing center spring colloquy for writing center tutors and directors. Hosted at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Institutional Organizations and Committees

Utah Valley University

Women Independence Scholarship Program (WISP) Mentor, Fall 2018-present

Chair, Search Committee for Academic Tutoring Coordinator, Summer 2018

Kansas State University

Co-President, Rhetoric and Composition Society, 2012-May 2014

Member, Search Committee for Writing Center Director, Spring 2014

Founder and Co-President, Advocates for StrengthsQuest, 2012-2013

Treasurer, Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society, 2012-2013

Secretary, Writers' Block Party, 2011-2012

President, Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society, 2010-2011

Kansas State University Housing and Dining

Resident Assistant/Community Assistant Liaison, 2010-2011

Professional Membership

Rocky Mountain Writing Centers Association

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International Writing Centers Association

Honors and Awards

Promising Future Research in Composition Award, May 2017

Competitive departmental award recognizing successful completion of the three-chapter defense and promising future research

The Longman Exemplar Teaching Award, May 2014

Competitive departmental award recognizing outstanding teaching by a Graduate Teaching Assistant

Graduate Student Service Award, May 2014

Competitive departmental award recognizing student leadership. Awarded \$100 donation made in my name to a charitable organization of my choice

Graduate Student Council Travel Grant, October 2013

Awarded \$500 to present at the Midwest Writing Center Association Conference

Johanning Teaching Award, 2013

Competitive \$450 award to recognize excellence in teaching and academic performance of a first-year graduate teaching assistant

Jo Harriett Hofsess Popkins Scholarship, 2012-2014

\$500 per year award appointed by graduate admissions committee for academic excellence

Graduate Student Council Travel Grant, October 2012

Awarded \$250 to present at the International Writing Center Association Conference

Arts and Sciences Excellence Scholarship, 2008-2012

\$1,250 per year award for academic excellence

Brewster Rogerson English Scholarship and Writing Fellowship, 2011

\$2,500 awarded to two English majors for financial need and academic excellence

Next Big Thing Feasibility Plan Competition, Social Entrepreneurship Division, 3rd Place, 2011

\$750 award for feasibility plan, *K-State Writing Fellows*

June Sherrid Scholarship, 2008-2010

\$1000 per year for academic excellence and interest in pursuing career in human health

Resident Assistant of the Year, Midwest Affiliate for College & University Residence Halls, 2009-2010

Nominated by staff members and residents

Research Experience for Undergraduate Scholars, Summer 2009

\$5000 summer stipend and \$500 research grant to pursue ecological genetics in nematodes under the mentorship of Dr. Michael Herman

Kansas IDeA Network for Biomedical Experience Scholar, 2009-2010

\$3,500 research grant to pursue ecological genetics in nematodes

K-State Alumni Wabash Cannonball Scholarship, 2008

\$2,500 award to incoming freshmen from the Kansas City area with a 3.25 GPA or higher

Additional Past Employment

Career Specialist, Academic and Career Information Center, April 2011-May 2012

- Led one-on-one appointments with students to help them explore major and career options
- Co-taught “Academic and Career Decisions”
- Developed and led StrengthsQuest training for staff
- Interviewed and participated in hiring decisions for new staff

Resident Assistant, Housing and Dining, August 2009-May 2011

- Oversaw 76 residents and held 30-60 minutes academic conversations with each student, assisting in increasing student retention for K-State’s long-term plan

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- Managed, as part of a 12 person team, more than 700 students
- Mediated and advised residents in conflict
- Established inclusive community of varying cultures and backgrounds
- Planned and executed residential programs for 76-700 residents
- Interviewed new hires
- Served weekly in an on-call duty rotation

Administrative Assistant, Housing and Dining Summer Conference Operations, Summer 2011 & 2012

- Designed and conducted training of 30 employees on day to day procedures
- Scheduled summer host teams for 60 conferences
- Scheduled on-call duty rotation for 30 employees
- Processed summer invoices totaling more than \$800,000
- Managed guest housing reservations and invoices
- Facilitated communication between departments vital to summer conference operations

Technical Writing Intern, Phoenix Building Group, Summer 2010

- Developed policies and procedures to enhance the efficiency of the estimating department
- Communicated updated information to clients and employees
- Wrote technical and persuasive sections of proposals for multimillion-dollar constructions projects
- Revised and edited others' written portions of proposals

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Dr. Kara Northway, northway@ksu.edu

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