

CURRICULUM VITAE

COURTNEY MEISSNER

Communication Studies

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EDUCATION

M.A., Communication Studies, San Diego State University

Completed thesis: *The Cornerstone of Parents' Wellbeing: Analyzing Perceived Support Deficiencies of Single Parents Compared to Partnered Parents*

B.A., Communication Studies, California State University, Long Beach

Major in Communication Studies, Minor in Human Development

A.A., Communication Studies, Orange Coast College

Completed Associates to transfer in 18 months

TEACHING EXPERIENCE & COURSE PREPARATION

Fall 2025

COMM 204 Advanced Public Speaking - Part-time
Faculty/Lecturer

In-Person Course - 16 Weeks

School of Communication Studies

College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts

San Diego State University

Fall 2025

COMM C1000 Public Speaking - Adjunct Faculty
(Formally known as COMS 103)

In-person Course - 16 Weeks

School of Humanities / Communication Studies Department

San Diego Mesa Community College

Fall 2025	<i>COMS 135 Interpersonal Communication CCAP - Adjunct Faculty</i> Hybrid Course - 15 Weeks School of Humanities / Communication Studies Department CCAP Program (College and Career Access Pathways) San Diego Mesa Community College / SDUSD
Spring 2025	<i>JMS 499 Special Studies - Part-time Faculty/Lecturer</i> Accelerated Asynchronous Course - 8 Weeks (1 Block/Spring) VISTA Program (Valuing Incarcerated Scholars Through Academia) College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts Centinela State Prison / San Diego State University
Spring 2025	<i>COMM 245 Interpersonal Communication - Part-time Faculty/Lecturer</i> In-Person Hybrid Course - 16 Weeks School of Communication Studies College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts San Diego State University
Fall 2024	<i>COMM 307 Communication in Professional Settings - Part-time Faculty</i> Accelerated In-Person Course - 8 Weeks (2 Blocks/Fall) School of Communication Studies - VISTA Program (Valuing Incarcerated Scholars Through Academia) College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts Centinela State Prison / San Diego State University
Spring 2024 - Spring 2025	<i>COMS 103 Public Speaking CCAP - Adjunct Faculty</i> Hybrid Course - 15 Weeks School of Humanities / Communication Studies Department CCAP Program (College and Career Access Pathways) San Diego Mesa Community College / SDUSD
Fall 2024 / Spring 2024	<i>COMM 371 Intercultural Communication - Part-time Faculty</i> Accelerated Asynchronous Course - 8 Weeks (2 Blocks/Fall) Accelerated In-Person Course - 8 Weeks (2 Blocks/Spring) School of Communication Studies - VISTA Program (Valuing Incarcerated Scholars Through Academia)

College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts
Centinela State Prison / San Diego State University

Summer 2024 /
Spring 2024

COMS 135 Interpersonal Communication - Adjunct Faculty
Accelerated In-Person Course - 5 Weeks (Summer)
Accelerated Asynchronous Online Course - 8 Weeks (Spring)
School of Humanities / Communication Studies Department
San Diego Mesa Community College

Fall 2023

COMM 300 Conceptualizing Communication - Part-time Faculty
Accelerated In-Person Course - 8 Weeks (1 Block/Fall)
School of Communication Studies - VISTA Program
(Valuing Incarcerated Scholars Through Academia)
College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts
Centinela State Prison / San Diego State University

Fall 2023 - Present,
Fall 2020 - Spring 2021

COMM 103 Public Speaking - Lecturer
In-Person Course - 16 Weeks
School of Communication Studies
College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts
San Diego State University

Fall 2022 - Spring 2023

English Instructor & International Events Coordinator
OEG / CIEE (Overseas Education Group / Council on International Educational Exchange)
HyFlex courses - 5 months
Primary & Secondary Educational Design
Sunflower Trilingual School
Samut Sakhon, Thailand

Fall 2021 - Spring 2022

Fulbright Grantee - English Instructor / Speech & Debate Coach
Fulbright Bulgaria
HyFlex course - 1 full academic year
College Preparation, grades 8-12
Simeon Radev Foreign Language School
Pernik, Bulgaria

Fall 2019 - Spring 2020

Instructional Student Assistant (ISA) - PSFA 280 & PSFA 350
Adaptation to the U.S. Academic Culture & International Studies

College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts
San Diego State University

Spring 2019

Substitute Instructor - COMM 371 Intercultural Communication
School of Communication Studies
College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts
San Diego State University

Fall 2018 - Spring 2020

Graduate Teaching Associate - COMM 103 Public Speaking
School of Communication Studies
College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts
San Diego State University

CERTIFICATES & AWARDS

***F.R.E.D. (Forensics Related Educational Document) ONLINE CERTIFICATION, PSCFA
(Pacific Southwest Collegiate Forensics Association)***

Awarded February 2025

SDCCD ONLINE FACULTY CERTIFICATION, Mesa College

Awarded February 2024

OEG Teach in Thailand Program - Certificate of Completion, OEG (Overseas Education Group)

Awarded April 2023

Recognition - TESOL to Ukrainian Refugees, Fulbright Bulgaria & Mejduchasie Learning

Awarded August 2022

Coach & Judge Training, BEST (Bulgarian English Speech Tournaments) & Fulbright Bulgaria

Awarded November 2021

TESOL, TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) International Association

Awarded July 2020

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program Award Grant, Fulbright Bulgaria

Awarded March 2020

Mediation Certification, California State University, Long Beach

Awarded May 2018

Dean's List, California State University, Long Beach

Awarded December 2017 - May 2018

Scholarships

Tom and Donna Bergelis Golich Endowed Scholarship in Communication, SDSU

Awarded December 2019

CSEA (California School Employees Association) Union Scholarship, Independent

Awarded August 2019

Gracia Mae Ogden Memorial Scholarship, SDSU

Awarded March 2019

ASI (Associated Students, Inc.) Scholarship, CSULB

Awarded January 2017

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT / SPECIALIZED TRAININGS

ALICE - SAFETY Training, Mesa College

September 2024

LINGUISTIC BIAS AWARENESS & LINGUISTIC JUSTICE, Mesa College

August 2024

SAFEZONE TRAINING, Mesa College

August 2024

(MOST) GRADING FOR GROWTH, Mesa College

August 2024

BUILDING BRIDGES FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS VIA DSIG, Mesa College

August 2024

DATA DASHBOARD NAVIGATION, Mesa College

August 2024

SDCCD ONLINE FACULTY CERTIFICATION TRAINING, Mesa College

February 2024

COMMITTEES

Currently joining as a guest to decide which committees would be my best fit.

Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion and Equity (CDAIE), Mesa College
****Joined Professional Learning Sub-Committee (CDAIE PL)**, Mesa College

Committee on Outcomes and Assessment (COA), Mesa College

The Environmental Sustainability Committee (ESC), Mesa College

Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee (PIE), Mesa College

Program Review Steering Committee (PRS), Mesa College

ACADEMIC SERVICE / RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

AY 2025-2026	<i>SDSU Forensics Team - ADOF</i> <i>Associate Director of Forensics - Coach/Admin/Judge</i> Under ADOF Mr. John Loo, M.A. San Diego State University
Spring 2025	<i>SDSU Forensics Team - Acting ADOF</i> <i>Assistant Director of Forensics - Tournament Preparation</i> <i>Coach & Judge</i> <i>International Forensics Association (IFA) lead administration for</i> <i>SDSU team in Incheon, South Korea</i> Under ADOF Mr. John Loo, M.A. San Diego State University
Spring 2025	<i>Forensics Assistance - Volunteer</i> <i>Grossmont Groundhogg Day Speech & Debate Tournament</i> <i>I.E. Judge</i> Under ADOF Mr. John Loo, M.A. San Diego State University

- Spring 2024 ***VISTA & CDCR Training Guest Speaker - Volunteer***
Valuing Incarcerated Scholars Through Academia & California
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
College of Professional Studies & Fine Arts
Centinela State Prison / San Diego State University
- Fall 2023 ***Fulbright Guest Speaker - Volunteer***
International Affairs Fulbright Applicant Seminar
San Diego State University
- Spring 2023 ***Host & Coordinator - Volunteer***
[*Bridging the Gap: Learning Beyond Borders English Speech & Presentation Conference*](#)
Under Dr. Kwantip Chinsettawong
Sunflower Trilingual School
Samut Sakhon, Thailand
- Spring 2022 ***English Speech & Communication Refugee Tutor - Volunteer***
Fulbright Bulgaria Emergency Language Course serving
Ukrainian Refugee Students
Under Fulbright Bulgaria
- Fall 2021 - Spring 2022 ***Speech and Debate Judge & Coach - Volunteer***
BEST Foundation (Bulgarian English Speech Tournaments)
Under Fulbright Bulgaria
- Fall 2021 - Spring 2022 ***Fundraising Coordinator***
Simeon Radev Foreign Language School
Serving Young Authors - Independent Book Publishing
Under Fulbright Bulgaria
- Fall 2019 - Spring 2020 ***Research Assistant***
Center for Communication, Health, & the Public Good (CCHPG)
Under Dr. Wayne Beach
San Diego State University
- Spring 2019 - Summer 2019 ***Research Assistant***
Human Communication Lab (Cancer & Emotional Support)

Under Dr. Colter Ray
San Diego State University

Spring 2019

Research Assistant
Thirdhand Smoke (THS) Resource Center
Under Dr. Rachael Record
San Diego State University

Fall 2018

Forensics Assistance - Volunteer
Montezuma Invitational Speech & Debate Tournament
Extemp Draw
Under ADOF Ms. Ashley Nuckels-Cuevas, M.A.
San Diego State University

Spring 2016

Policy Briefing & Social Media Impact - Volunteer
Olive Crest Shelter
Under Dr. Jessica Russell
California State University, Long Beach

Spring 2016 - Fall 2017

Student Outreach - Volunteer
Under Ed Cervantes, Outreach Program Specialist
Orange Coast Community College

CONFERENCE EVENTS - PRESENTATIONS / ATTENDANCE

Spring 2024

[Unlocking Potential Interactive Dialogue](#)
Criminal Justice & Incarcerated Student Interactive Dialogue Event
California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) via
Valuing Incarcerated Students Through Academia Program (VISTA)
Centinela State Prison / San Diego State University
Imperial Valley, California - Centinela State Prison

Fall 2023

PAC Anniversary Exhibition Walk Through & Ceremony
Prison Arts Collective Event
San Diego, CA - San Diego State University

Spring 2023

[Bridging the Gap: Learning Beyond Borders Conference](#)

Acted as Host & Coordinator, worked with schools from 3 nations
(Thailand, Taiwan, and China) in efforts to encourage student research &
speech writing collaboration

Samut Sakhon, Thailand - Sunflower Trilingual School

- Spring 2022 **Wrap Up Seminar for U.S. Fulbright Grantees**
 Work Presented: *Five Star Review (of Bulgaria): Closing Thoughts on Increasing Mutual Understanding Between the U.S. and Bulgaria*
 Burgas, Bulgaria - Fulbright Bulgaria
- Spring 2022 **Spring East BEST Tournament / Conference**
Acted as speech Judge, worked with 17 regions during the event
 BEST Foundation (Bulgarian English Speech Tournaments)
 Sofia, Bulgaria
- Spring 2022 **Spring West BEST Tournament / Conference**
Acted as Coach to Simeon Radev Foreign Language School Team
Acted as speech Judge, worked with 11 additional regions during the event
 BEST Foundation (Bulgarian English Speech Tournaments)
 Sofia, Bulgaria
- Spring 2020 **SRS (Student Research Symposium)**
 Study presented: *Silver Linings Breakup: A Quantitative Analysis of Social Support Received From Friends Pre- and Post-Romantic Relationship Dissolution*
 San Diego, California - San Diego State University
- Spring 2020 **WSCA (Western States Communication Association) Conference**
 Study presented: *We Too: A Rhetorical Analysis of #MeToo's Open Letter to Dr. Christine Blasey Ford*
 Denver, Colorado
- Spring 2019 **WSCA (Western States Communication Association) Conference**
 Attended
 Seattle, Washington
- Fall 2018 **NCA (National Communication Association) Conference**
 Attended
 Salt Lake City, Utah
- Fall 2018 - Present **SDSU School of Communication Monthly Colloquiums**
 Attended
 San Diego, California - San Diego State University

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Fall 2024	Mandated Reporter Training <i>Mesa Community College / San Diego Unified School District CCAP (College and Career Access Pathways) Program</i>
Spring 2024	SDCCD Online Classroom Training <i>Mesa Community College</i>
Fall 2023	CDCR Training (via the VISTA Program) California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation via Valuing Incarcerated Students Through Academia Program <i>Centinela State Prison / San Diego State University</i>
Fall 2022	OEG Teach in Thailand Training <i>Overseas Education Group</i>
Fall 2021	Speech & Debate Coach/Judge Training <i>BEST Foundation (Bulgarian English Speech Tournaments) via Fulbright Bulgaria</i>
Summer 2020	TESOL Training Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages <i>TESOL International Association (sponsored by Fulbright)</i>
Spring 2019	CITI Training Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative Human Subjects Research & Information Privacy Security <i>San Diego State University</i>
Fall 2018	Message Coding Training Human Communication Lab - Under Dr. Colter Ray <i>San Diego State University</i>
Spring 2016 - Spring 2018	Mediation / Conflict Management Community-based & Court-based - Under Dr. Pamela Kreiser <i>California State University, Long Beach</i>