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Education

- MFA in Creative Writing, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 2000-2002 (GPA 8.0 of 8.0)
- BA in English and Rhetoric with Religious Studies Minor, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, 1995-1999 (GPA 3.9 of 4.0)

Job Experience

- Adjunct Professor, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA (Fall 2007-Present)
Courses taught: Intro to Creative Writing, Intermediate Fiction Writing
- Instructor, William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL (Winter 2006)
Courses taught: Literature and Composition
- Instructor, Washtenaw Community College, Ann Arbor (Fall 2004-Winter 2005)
Courses taught: Advanced Composition, Creative Writing I & II
- Lecturer I & II, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (Fall 2000-Fall 2004)
Courses taught: English 124 (Writing & Literature), English 125 (Composition), English 223 (Creative Writing), English 225 (Argumentative Writing)
Duties at above institutions included designing of syllabus and course schedule, planning lecture/exams/paper topics, meeting with students individually, proofreading and editing, critiquing expository & fictional student work and assigning grades
- Co-editor and Translator for *Periphery: A Journal of Polish Affairs*, Ann Arbor, Michigan (Summer 2001-02)
- Teacher, Creative Writing (Grade 2), Angell School, Ann Arbor, Michigan (Fall 2001)
- Teacher, Huntington Learning Center, Austin, Texas (June 1999-June 2000)
Duties included working with students both in groups and individually, providing necessary logic, math, composition and science skills with the goal of returning students to an appropriate class level
- Private Tutor, Austin, Texas (July 1999-June 2000)
Duties included strengthening study skills, writing, and reading comprehension of academically and emotionally challenged students at the high school and college grade level

Publications

- Quarterly West, #55 Fall/Winter, 2002-03, *Real Men, Ghost Parts*
- The Evansville Review, Volume XII, 2002, *Walking Man's Road*
- The Best of Carve Magazine, Volume III, 2002, *Real Men, Ghost Parts*
- Water~Stone, Volume 5, Number 1, Fall 2002, *Fire Babies* (for the Brenda Ueland Prose Prize)
- Concepts, 1999, *Big Light, Little Girl*

Awards and Achievements

- University of Michigan Graduate Hopwood Award in Short Fiction, First Place (2002)
- Andrea Beauchamp Prize in Fiction (2002)
- Brenda Ueland Prose Prize (2002)
- Alfred Kuehn Scholarship (based on academic merit) 1998
- Golden Key Honor Society (1996-1999)
- Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society (1996-1999)
- University of Illinois Dean's List (1995-1999)
- Charles and Susan Shattuck Award in Fiction (1997)

Current Projects

I have recently completed a novel (In the Hungriest Heart) and short story collection (Places We Don't Know) and am now searching for an agent to represent both manuscripts.