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EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Higher Education

2012 **PhD**, Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Supporting Areas / Minor: Interpersonal/Family Communication
2007 **MS**, Communication Studies, Illinois State University
2003 **BA**, Speech Communication, Magna Cum Laude, Illinois State University
Supporting Areas / Minor: Creative Writing

Professional and Academic Positions

2021-Present **Associate Professor**, Communication Studies, The University of Iowa
2017 - 2021 **Assistant Professor**, Communication Studies, The University of Iowa
2020-Present **Senior Research Fellow**, Public Policy Center, The University of Iowa
2015 - 2017 **Director of Graduate Studies**, Division of Communication, University of Wisconsin
Stevens Point
2012 - 2017 **Assistant Professor**, Division of Communication, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
2007-2012 **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Communication, The University of Illinois
2008 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of Communication, The University of Illinois
2005-2007 **Teaching Assistant**, School of Communication, Illinois State University
2003-2005 **Executive Director**, Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce, Tinley Park, IL

Honors and Awards

2016 **Scholarship Award**, Division of Communication, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
2016 **Top Family Communication Paper in Interpersonal and Small Group Communication Interest Group**, Central States Communication Association
2015 **Scholarship Award**, Division of Communication, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
2015 **Top Four Papers in Interpersonal and Small Group Communication**, Central States Communication Association
2014 **Top Competitive Paper Panel, Interpersonal and Small Group Communication Interest Group**, Central States communication Association
2012 **Karl R. Wallace Award for Distinguished Scholarship**, Department of Communication, University of Illinois
2011 **Ruth Anne Clark Student Scholar Research Award**, Department of Communication, University of Illinois

Memberships

2011 - Present International Communication Association
2007 - Present International Association of Relationship Research
2003 - Present Central States Communication Association
2003 - Present National Communication Association

TEACHING

Courses Taught at the University of Iowa

Term	Course#	Title	Ten-Day Enrollment	Final Enrollment
Fall 2021	COMM: 4147: 0001	Family Communication	19	19
Fall 2021	COMM: 2897: 4117	Independent Study	4	4
Fall 2021	COMM: 1112: 0AAA	Interpersonal Communication	208	208
Fall 2021	COMM: 6399: 3821	Ph.D. Dissertation	2	2
Spring 2021	COMM: 4147: 0001	Family Communication	26	26
Spring 2021	COMM: 5299: 1580	Graduate Independent Study	3	3
Spring 2021	COMM:6399: 2449	Ph.D. Dissertation	1	1
Spring 2021	COMM: 2030: OAAA	Sexual Communication in Personal Relationships	75	75
Fall 2020	COMM: 1112: 0AAA	Interpersonal Communication	216	216
Fall 2020	COMM: 6399: 0110	Ph.D. Dissertation	1	1
Fall 2020	COMM: 2897: 0033	Independent Study	1	1
Fall 2020	COMM: 2899: 9323	Honors Thesis	1	1
Fall 2020	COMM: 6376: 0001	Family Communication	7	7
Spring 2020	COMM:4147:0001	Family Communication	23	23
Spring 2020	HONR:3994:7916	Honors Research Practicum	1	1
Spring 2020	COMM:2897:7618	Independent Study	6	6
Spring 2020	COMM:6381:0001	Seminar Topics in Communication Research	5	5
Fall 2019	COMM:2897:6271	Independent Study	4	4
Fall 2019	COMM:2030:0A04	Sexual Comm in Personal Relationships	4	4
Fall 2019	COMM:2030:0AA A	Sexual Comm in Personal Relationships	60	60
Spring 2019	COMM:4147:0001	Family Communication	25	25
Spring 2019	COMM:5299:4362	Graduate Independent Study	1	1
Spring 2019	COMM:2897:3029	Independent Study	3	3
Spring 2019	COMM:2090:0001	Topics in Communication Studies	25	25
Fall 2018	COMM:5299:2318	Graduate Independent Study	1	
Fall 2018	COMM:2897:0979	Independent Study	3	

Term	Course#	Title	Ten-Day Enrollment	Final Enrollment
Fall 2018	COMM:1112:0A10	Interpersonal Communication	12	13
Fall 2018	COMM:1112:0AA A	Interpersonal Communication	239	232
Summer 2018	COMM:2897:1476	Independent Study	1	1
Spring 2018	COMM:6376:0001	Family Communication	3	3
Spring 2018	COMM:2899:8753	Honors Thesis	1	1
Fall 2017	COMM:4147:0001	Family Communication	25	24
Fall 2017	COMM:2090:0007	Topics in Communication Studies	30	30

Innovations in Teaching (Other Teaching Contributions)

Textbooks & Educational Software Development

2020 - Present **OpenHawks Open Education Resource (OER) grant.** Grant to write an open access textbook entitled *Sexual Communication in Personal Relationships*. \$8,200. Funded.

Student Mentoring Summary

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| 2020-2021 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervised and developed undergraduate Independent Study for 1 students • Served as Advisor for 3 PhD students • Supervised and developed graduate Independent Study for 3 graduate students • Secured and supervised ICRU Fellow for 1 undergraduate student (fall semester) • Supervised Honors Research Thesis for 1 undergraduate student |
| 2019-2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervised and developed undergraduate Independent Study for 4 students • Served as Advisor for 2 PhD students • Secured and supervised ICRU Fellow for 1 undergraduate student (academic year) • Supervised and developed Honors Research Practicum for 1 undergraduate student |

Student Mentoring

The University of Iowa

BA – ICRU Fellows

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| Fall 2020 | <p><i>Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates (ICRU) Research Fellows Program</i>
Funded by ICRU. Investigator/s Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart (Principal Investigator), Paige Pearson (Supporting).</p> |
| 2019 - 2020 | <p><i>Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates (ICRU) Research Fellows Program</i>
Funded by ICRU. Investigator/s Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart</p> |

(Principal Investigator), Danielle Kaplan (Supporting).

BA - Directed Individual/Independent Study

Fall 2020	Rachel Boggs
Fall 2019 – Spring 2020	Zenkovic, Edina
Fall 2019 - Spring 2020	Moore, Maggi
Fall 2019 - Spring 2020	Oleson, Alexa
Fall 2019	Brechon, Zach
Fall 2018 – Spring 2019	Judakias, Jacquie
Fall 2018 – Spring 2019	McCall, Marin
Fall 2018 – Spring 2019	Tansey, Alexis
Fall 2017 - Spring 2018	Titus, Hannah
Fall 2018 - Spring 2020	Kaplan, Danielle
Fall 2018 – Spring 2019	Haak, Breanna
Spring 2019	Zinselmeier, Anna

BA - Undergraduate Honors Thesis

Fall 2020	Pearson, Paige
Fall 2018	VanWiel, Emily
Fall 2017 – Spring 2018	Jones, Corrine

PhD - Doctoral Advisory Committee Chair

August 2020-Present	Spurgin, Samantha; <i>In Process</i>
May 2020 – Present	Peters, Lauren; <i>In Process</i>
August 2019 - Present	Trew, Hannah; <i>In Process</i>
August 2018 - December 2019	Heisdorf, Sarah; <i>Withdrawn</i>
November 2018 - October 2019	Beattie, Austin; <i>In Process (Co-Chair)</i>

PhD - Comprehensive Exam, Member

Fall 2021	Conrad, Jordan; <i>In Process</i>
Spring 2021	Reed, Jackie; <i>In Process</i>
Fall 2020	Beattie, Austin; <i>In Process</i>
September 2017 - 2018	Shahnazi, Ariana; <i>In Process</i>

PhD - Dissertation Committee Member

May 2017 - May 2018	Buehler, Emily; <i>Completed</i>
Spring 2021-present	Reed, Jackie; <i>In Process</i>

PhD - Doctoral Advisory Committee Member

Fall 2019-Spring 2020	Peters, Lauren
November 2018 - Present	Reed, Jaclyn

PhD - Program of Study

2021	Aidoo, Ebenezer; <i>In Process</i>
2019	Reed, Jaclyn; <i>In Process</i>
2019	Heisdorf, Sarah; <i>Left Program</i>
2019	Peters, Lauren; <i>In Process</i>
2018	Beattie, Austin; <i>In Process</i>

PhD - Supervised Research

October 2017 - 2018	Peterson, Ashley; <i>Transferred to PSU</i>
Fall 2018-Spring 2020	Reed (nee Dinndorf, Jaclyn)

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point***BA - Directed Individual/Independent Study***

Fall 2013	Kunde, Allison
Spring 2016	Herman, Noel
Spring 2016	Winkel, Hannah
Fall 2015 - Spring 2016	Petitte, Sarah
Spring 2015 – Spring 2016	Barber, Hayden

MS - Master's Thesis Committee Chair

August 2016 - May 2017	Williams, Stefanie; <i>Completed</i>
August 2015 - May 2016	Hoerter, Jessica; <i>Completed</i>

MS - Master's Thesis Committee Member

August 2016 - May 2017	Soda, Cassandra
August 2015 - May 2017	Halverson, Troy

MS - Supervised Research

Spring 2016	Switzer, Susan
Fall 2014	Barber, Hayden
Fall 2013	Brundidge, Chris
Fall 2013	Hopp, David
Fall 2013	Van de Hay, Rick

Publications

CLAS * System * = Senior Author, Major Contribution, ** = Secondary Contribution *** = Equal Contribution, **** = Minor Contribution, † = Graduate Student Co-Author, †† = Undergraduate Student Co-Author

Refereed Articles

- 1 *Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & †Peterson, A. M. (2022). Adult stepchildren's uncertainty management in later life stepfamilies: Illuminating the role of context, intentionality, collaboration, and information implications. *Journal of Family Communication*, 22, 119-137.
- 2 * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & †Reed, J. (2020). Understanding parents-in-law's uncertainty management through a relational turbulence lens. *Communication Studies*. Advance Online publication.
- 3 * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & †Heisdorf, S. R. (2020). Obstacles and opportunities experienced by adult stepchildren in later life stepfamilies. *Journal of Divorce & Remarriage*, 61, 41-61.
- 4 Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2019). Children-in-Law's message processing: Associations among uncertainty, perceptions of topic avoidance, goal inferences, and marital satisfaction. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 36, 3908-3933.
- 5 * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Caughlin, J. P. (2018). Integrating the relational turbulence model and a multiple goals approach to understand topic avoidance during the transition to extended family. *Communication Research*, 45, 267-296.
- 6 Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2018a). Parents-in-law's topic avoidance: Understanding the role of interaction goals and relational characteristics. *Personal Relationships*, 25, 433-457.
- 7 Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2018b). Perceived topic avoidance and relational outcomes: The moderating role of in-laws' goal inferences. *Journal of Family Communication*, 18, 317-333.
- 8 * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., †Petite, S. R., & Wilder, S. E. (2018). Relational uncertainty management in adult children of divorce. *Journal of Applied Communication*, 46, 469-490.
- 9 * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Wilder, S. E., & ††Barber, H. (2017). "Was it all smoke and mirrors?": Applying the relational turbulence model to adult children's experience of late-life parental divorce. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 34, 209-234.
- 10 * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Caughlin, J. P., & Rittenour, C. E. (2015). The content and relational implications of children-in-law's relational uncertainty during the transition to extended family. *Communication Quarterly*, 63, 286-309.
- 11 *** Scott, A. M., Caughlin, J. P., Donovan-Kicken, E., & Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2013). Do message features influence responses to depression disclosures?: A message design logics perspective. *Western Journal of Communication*, 77, 139-163.
- 12 ** Stone, A. M., Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Middleton, A. V., Caughlin, J. P., & Brown, L. B. (2012). Caring for a parent with lung cancer: Caregiver's perspectives on the role of communication. *Qualitative Health Research*, 22, 957-970.
- 13 ** Caughlin, J. P., Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Middleton, A. V., Stone, A. M., & Brown, L. B. (2011). Being open without talking about it: A rhetorical/normative approach to understanding topic avoidance in families after a lung cancer diagnosis. *Communication Monographs*, 78, 409-436.
- 14 Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2011). Parent-in-law privacy management: An examination of the links among relational uncertainty, topic avoidance, in group status, and in-law satisfaction. *Journal of Family Communication*, 11, 237-263.

Invited Articles

1. * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Maguire, K. C. (2021). Introduction to the Special Issue of Family Communication in the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Journal of Family Communication*, 21, 145-151.
2. *Mikucki-Enyart, S.L., Conrad, J., Spurgin, S. (forthcoming). Setting the Agenda: Families on the Periphery. *Journal of Family Communication*.

Refereed Book Chapters

1. *Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Hansen, E. (forthcoming). In-law relationships and relational turbulence. S. O'Shay & S. LeBlanc (Eds.), *Casing the Family: Theoretical and Applied Advances in Family Communication*. Kendall Hunt.
2. * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Heisdorf, S. R. (2020). Communicatively managing in-law relationships. J. Soliz & C. W. Colaner (Eds.), *Family communication: Engaging identity and difference*. Peter Lang.

3. **** Caughlin, J. P., Vangelisti, A. L., & Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2013). Conflict in dating and marital relationships. *The Sage handbook of conflict communication: Integrating theory, research, and practice*. Sage.
4. *** Metts, S., & Mikucki, S. L. (2008). The emotional landscape of romantic relationship initiation. *Handbook of relationship initiation*. Erlbaum.

Encyclopedia Entry

1. Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2016). Communication among in-laws. *International encyclopedia of interpersonal communication*. Wiley-Blackwell.
2. *** Metts, S., & Mikucki, S. L. (2009). Personal idioms. *Encyclopedia of human relationships*. Sage.

Newsletter

1. * Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Caughlin, J. P., Middleton, A. V., Stone, A. M., Brown, L. B. (2011). *Being open without talking about it* (vol. 6). Communication Currents.

Book Review

1. Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2010). *Book review of Communicating to manage health and illness by Dale E. Brashers and Daena J. Goldsmith (Eds.)*. (vol. 25, pp. 775-777). Health Communication.

Case Study

1. Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. (2019). The Trouble with In-Laws. *Communication in family contexts: Theories and processes*. Wiley.

Publications Under Review/In Progress

Journal Article

2. †Heisdorf, S. R. & **Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Emotional implications of late-life parental divorce on adult children. [Undergoing revisions].
3. Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Message features of successful uncertainty management within the in-law dyad. [In progress].
4. *Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & †Reed, J. M. In-law conflict: Integrating relational turbulence theory and the common in-group identity model to understand children-in-law's use of destructive conflict management strategies. [Undergoing revisions].
5. ***Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & McLaren, R. M. Antecedents and outcomes of in-laws' hurtful experiences. [In progress].
6. ***Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Reed-Fitzke, K. Utilizing relational turbulence theory to understand perpetration of intimate partner violence among emerging adult college students. [Undergoing revisions].
7. *Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Reed-Fitzke, K. Emerging adult college student's collaborative uncertainty management following partner infidelity. [In progress].
8. *Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Rittenour, C. E. Parental uncertainty following adult children's marriage. [In progress].
9. †Trew, H.G, & **Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Emerging adult college student's relational uncertainty and communication about sexual pleasure. [In progress].
10. High, A. C., & **Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. In-law's social support: Associations among relational uncertainty, interaction goals, and support seeking. [In progress].
11. Rogers, E. M., **Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & †Peters, L. For better or worse: Married Iowans' Relationship Quality During COVID-19. [Undergoing revisions].

Grants and Contracts

Completed/In Progress

- 2020 - Present OpenHawks Open Education Resource (OER) grant. Grant to write an open access textbook entitled *Sexual Communication in Personal Relationships*. \$8,200. Funded.

- Fall 2020 *Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates (ICRU) Research Fellows Program*
Funded by ICRU. Investigator/s Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart (Principal Investigator),
Paige Pearson (Supporting).
- 2019 - 2020 *Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates (ICRU) Research Fellows Program*
Funded by ICRU. Investigator/s Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart (Principal Investigator),
Danielle Kaplan (Supporting).
- Summer 2019 *Scholar-in-Residence: "Leveraging communication and couple therapy to reduce
emerging adult college student's intimate partner violence following partner
infidelity."*
Funded by The Public Policy Center. Award amount: (\$6,000.00). Investigator/s
Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart (Co-Principal), Kayla Reed-Fitzke (Co-Principal).
- 2012 *Marion Morse Wood Graduate Fellowship*
Funded by The Graduate College, University of Illinois. Award amount:
(\$7,000.00).
- 2011 *University of Illinois Research Board Beckman Grant to study adult children's
communication and coping following a parent's lung cancer diagnosis*
Award amount: (\$16,140.00). Investigator/s John P. Caughlin (Principal
Investigator), Sylvia L Mikucki-Enyart (Co-Principal).
- 2011 *Summer Dissertation Fellowship*
Funded by The University of Illinois. Award amount: (\$3,000.00).

Not Funded

- Interdisciplinary Research Grant: Identifying effective uncertainty management as a
protective factor against emerging adult college students' intimate partner
violence following partner infidelity*
Funded by Obermann Center. Investigator/s Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart
(Co-Principal), Kayla Reed-Fitzke (Co-Principal).
- Interdisciplinary Research Grant: "Integrating communication and couple's therapy to
understand emerging adult's uncertainty management following partner
infidelity."*
Funded by Obermann Center. Investigator/s Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart
(Co-Principal), Kayla Reed-Fitzke (Co-Principal).
- The Federation Prize: "Integrating communication and couple's therapy to understand
emerging adult's uncertainty management following partner infidelity: Theoretical
and practical implications."*
Funded by Central States Communication Association. Investigator/s Sylvia L.
Mikucki-Enyart (Co-Principal), Kayla Reed-Fitzke (Co-Principal).

Invited Lectures and Conference Presentations**International - Panel**

- 2019 International Communication Association, *Infertility disclosures to social network members:
Understanding the role of relational characteristics and interaction goals.* Washington, D. C.,
District of Columbia Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., &
High, A. C.

International - Paper

- 2018 International Association of Relationship Research Conference, *In-law conflict: Integrating
relational turbulence theory and the common in-group identity model to understand
children-in-law's use of destructive conflict management strategies.* Fort Collins, Colorado,
United States. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., &
McLaren, R. M.
- 2014 International Communication Association, *Integrating the relational turbulence model and a
multiple goals approach to understand children-in-law's uncertainty management during the*

- transition to extended family*. Seattle, Washington, United States. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Caughlin, J. P.
- 2012 International Association on Relationship Research, *Parents' use of topic avoidance as an uncertainty management strategy in response to adult children's marriage*. Chicago, Illinois, United States. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L.
- 2011 International Communication Association, *The role of communication in caregiving for adult children of lung cancer patients*, Boston, Massachusetts, United States. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Stone, A. M., Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Middleton, A. V., Brown, L. B., & Caughlin, J. P.

International - Poster

- 2013 International Communication Association, *The content and relational implications of children-in-law's relational uncertainty during the transition to extended family*. London, United Kingdom. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Caughlin, J. P., & Rittenour, C.E.

National-Panel

- 2021 National Communication Association, *Transforming family communication scholarship: Utilizing multiple perspectives to investigate the revolution and inclusion of Queer families in the discipline*. Seattle, WA. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Student Presenters/Authors: Trew, H.G.
- 2021 National Communication Association. *Transforming the gender and sexual communication classroom: Intersectional pedagogy, the "canon," and the renewal of strange approaches*. Seattle, WA: P Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presents/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L.
- 2020 National Communication Association. *Families at the Crossroads: Navigating Communication, Identity, and Difference in the Modern Family*. Indianapolis, Indiana. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presents/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L.

National - Paper

- 2021 National Communication Association, *Examining hurtful events in in-law relationships: Associations among family uncertainty, relational turbulence, and relational outcomes*. Seattle, WA. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presents/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & McLaren, R. M.
- 2020 National Communication Association, *Utilizing relational turbulence theory to understand perpetration of intimate partner violence among emerging adult college students*, Indianapolis, Indiana (Virtual Conference). Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Reed-Fitzke, K.
- 2019 National Communication Association, *A grounded theory of familial uncertainty management in late life stepfamilies*, Baltimore, Maryland. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Student Presenters/Authors: Peterson, A. M.
- 2018 National Communication Association Annual Convention, *Adult stepchildren's management of uncertainty during later-life stepfamily formation*, Salt Lake City, Utah. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Student Presenters/Authors: Peterson, A. M.
- 2018 National Communication Association Annual Convention, *Obstacles and opportunities in late-life stepfamily development*, Salt Lake City, Utah. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Student Presenters/Authors: Petite, S. R., Peterson, A. M., Bennett, L. K.
- 2017 National Communication Association Annual Convention, *Perceptions of topic avoidance and relational outcomes: Examining the role of relational uncertainty and goal inferences.*, NCA, Dallas, Texas Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, Sylvia L
- 2016 National Communication Association Annual Convention, *Adult children's relational*

- uncertainty management following late-life parental divorce*, NCA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L.
- 2015 National Communication Association Annual Convention, "*Was it all smoke and mirrors?*": *Applying the relational turbulence model to adult children's experience of late-life parental divorce*. Las Vegas, Nevada. United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Wilder, S. E. Student Presenters/Authors: Barber, H.
- 2014 National Communication Association, *Examining the mediating role of children-in-law's privacy management goals on the association between children-in-law's uncertainty, topic avoidance, and relational outcomes*, Chicago, Illinois. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L.
- 2012 National Communication Association, *Does my future mother-in-law really like me or just tolerate me? Children-in-law's relational uncertainty during the transition to extended family*, Orlando, Florida. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Rittenour, C. E. Student Presenters/Authors: Georgetanakis, K., Ramsdell, A.
- 2011 National Communication Association, *Communication and information challenges in the context of adult children's coping with lung cancer: Implications for education, intervention, and support for families*, New Orleans, Louisiana. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Middleton, A. V., Stone, A. M., Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Caughlin, J. P., & Brown, L. B.
- 2011 National Communication Association, *The transition to extended family: Relational uncertainty within the parent-adult child dyad*, New Orleans, Louisiana. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., & Rittenour, C. E.
- 2010 National Communication Association, "*She knew she was dying, we all knew she was dying, but nobody would talk about it*": *A multiple goals perspective on topic avoidance after a lung cancer diagnosis*, San Francisco, California. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Middleton, A. V., Stone, A. M., Brown, L. B., Caughlin, J. P.
- 2010 Kentucky Conference on Health Communication, *Communication and care among adult children of lung cancer patients*, Lexington, Kentucky. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Stone, A. M., Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Satterlee, K., Middleton, A. V., Brown, L. B., & Caughlin, J. P.
- 2010 National Communication Association, *Managing multiple goals and evaluating communication sophistication: Responses to depression disclosure.*, San Francisco, California. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Scott, A. M., Caughlin, J. P., Mikucki-Enyart, S. L., Donovan-Kicken, E., Satterlee, K.
- 2009 National Communication Association, *Relational uncertainty and topic avoidance within the in-law triad*, Chicago, Illinois. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki, S. L.
- 2009 National Communication Association, *The message design logics of responses to depression disclosure*, Chicago, Illinois. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Scott, A. M., Caughlin, J. P., Mikucki, S. L., Donovan-Kicken, E.
- 2008 National Communication Association, *Relational uncertainty in in-law relationships*, San Diego, California. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki, S. L.
- 2008 National Communication Association, *A theoretical typology of mothers-in-law*. San Diego, California Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki, Sylvia L.
- 2006 National Communication Association, *Critical thinking and communication pedagogy: Assessing students' critical thinking development in the basic communication course*, San Antonio, Texas Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Hunt, S. K., Angelos, J. F., Mikucki, S. L., Wood, B. H.

Regional - Panel

- 2015 Central States Communication Association, *Managing the convergence points of work and life: Discussions of work-life balance with pre-tenure female faculty*, Madison, Wisconsin. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L.
- 2014 Central States Communication Association, *Adult children's uncertainty and uncertainty management in response to late-life parental divorce*, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Top Competitive Paper Panel Interpersonal and Small Group Communication Division.

- 2008 *Mother-in-law jealousy" Experience and expression.* Central States Communication Association, Madison, Wisconsin Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki, S. L.
- 2007 Central States Communication Association, *The challenges and consequences of emotion expression in close relationships*, Minneapolis, Minnesota Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Metts, S., Mikucki, S. L., & Smith, A. C.
- 2006 Central States Communication Association, *Instructional diamonds: Illustrating course concepts with video.* Indianapolis, Indiana Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Metts, S., & Mikucki, S. L.

Regional - Paper

- 2017 Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, *The moderating role of goals on the link between in-laws' topic avoidance (own and perceived) and relationship satisfaction.* Minneapolis, Minnesota. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L.
- 2016 Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, *The complexity of in-laws' privacy management: Understanding the interplay between contextual and motivational criteria on children-in-law's privacy rules.* Grand Rapids, Michigan. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, S. L. Top Family Communication Paper Interpersonal and Small Group Communication Division.
- 2015 Central States Communication Association Annual Convention, *The mediating role of family in-group status on children-in-law's uncertainty management strategies during the transition to extended family*, Madison, Wisconsin. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki-Enyart, Sylvia L. Top Four Papers Interpersonal and Small Group Communication Division.
- 2009 Central States Communication Association, *A mother-in-law's experience and expression of jealousy and relational uncertainty*, Saint Louis, Missouri. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki, S. L.
- 2007 Central States Communication Association, *Attack of the green-eyed mother-in-law: An exploratory investigation of jealousy experience and expression in the mother-in-law/daughter-in-law dyad.* Minneapolis, Minnesota. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Mikucki, S. L.

SERVICE

Profession

Editorial Board

- 2020 - Present Journal of Family Communication
- 2020 - 2021 Journal of Family Communication, Co-Guest Editor, Special Issue: *COVID-19 & the Family*
- 2016 Iowa Journal of Communication

Ad-hoc Reviewer

- 2021-Present Human Communication Research
- 2021-Present Communication Research
- 2021 Journal of Comparative Family Studies
- 2020-Present Communication Monographs
- 2020 Book manuscript on in-law relationships. Oxford University Press.
- 2018 Journal of Men's Studies
- 2016 - Present Communication Studies
- 2015 - Present Health Communication
- 2014 - 2020 Journal of Family Communication
- 2012 - Present Journal of Social and Personal Relationships
- 2022 Stress and Health

Professional Organization

Service

2021	National Communication Association, Family Communication Division, Paper Reader
2019; 2020	National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Paper Reader
2017	Central States Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Paper Reader
2017	Central States Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Respondent
2016	Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools, Thesis Award Committee, Member
2016	National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Panel Respondent
2015	Central States Communication Association, Inaugural Communication Studies Award Committee, Member
2015	Central States Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Paper Reader
2015	Central States Communication Association, Undergraduate Honors Research Conference, Reviewer

Department

2020-Present	Graduate Affairs Committee (GAC), Member
2020; 2021	Interpersonal/Family Communication Hiring Committee, Member
2018 - 2020	Undergraduate Affairs Committee (UAC), Member
2019 (Spring)	Department Seminar, Guest Speaker
2019 (Fall)	Department Seminar, Guest Speaker
2017 - 2018	Interpersonal Communication Hiring Committee, Member
2015 - 2017	Curriculum Committee, Member (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)
2015 - 2017	Graduate Program Committee, Chair (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)
2015 - 2016	Assessment Committee, Member (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)
2014 - 2015	Ad hoc Recruitment Committee, Chair (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)

University

2015 - 2017	University Graduate Council, Member, (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)
2013	Residence Hall Speaker Series, Guest Speaker, (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)
2012 - 2013	Student Research Fund, Reviewer, Grant Proposals, (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)
2014 - 2016	University Personnel and Development Committee, Reviewer, Grant Proposals, (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)
2012 - 2015	Graduate Program Committee, Member (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point)

Community

2019	FutureLearn.Com, Understanding Romantic Relationships: "In-law relationships", Guest Speaker
2019	Liberty High School, North Liberty, IA. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, Guest Speaker

Media Contributions

2022	Online, <i>Fatherly</i> , Expert on listening
2020-Present	Newspaper/Online, <i>Awkward</i> , The Columbia Chronicle. Resident expert for relationship column.
2021	Radio, <i>Talk of Iowa</i> , Iowa Public Radio; Anchor expert on program discussing parental surveillance of emerging adult children.
2021	Newspaper, The Telegraph (UK); Expert on family communication during COVID-19.
2020	Radio, <i>Talk of Iowa</i> , Iowa Public Radio; Expert on program about talking to family about holiday plans during COVID-19.
2018	Newspaper, Daily Telegraph (New Zealand): BW Magazine, International Research quoted in article about in-law relationships.
2015	Magazine, Men's Health, National

- 2014 Research quoted in article about mothers- and daughters-in-law.
Newspaper, Wall Street Journal, Market Watch, National
- 2014 10 things your mother-in-law won't tell you (research quoted in article).
Magazine, Real Simple, National
- 2014 The trouble with in-laws (research quoted in article).
On-line, Slate: Dear Prudence, National
- 2014 Mother-in-Brawl (research quoted in article).
Newspaper, Stevens Point Journal, Regional
- 2013 Valentine's Day: Small gestures have big impacts
TV, WAOW, Newline Nine (Wausau, WI), Regional
- 2013 Interviewed for several stories: parent-child communication after tragedy and emerging
adulthood as explanation for decrease in teen's seeking driver's license.
- 2013 Newspaper, Boston Globe, National
The weird science of in-laws (research quoted in article).
- 2013 On-line, NYCityWoman.com, Regional
The mother-in-law challenge (research quoted in article).
- 2013 Newspaper, La Tercera, International
Por que la tension suegra, hijo-marido y espoda no tience fin (aparentemente) (research quoted
in article).
- 2013 Newspaper, Wall Street Journal, National
A mother, son, and wife. Article based on my research. Story picked up by various outlets
including Huffington Post, Daily Mail, Fox News, and multiple websites and blogs.
- 2013 On-line, Wall Street Journal: Lunch Break online news program, National
Participated in live interview

Professional Development Activities

- 2019 Training/Development Program, Communicating Ideas Workshop, CLAS
- 2019 Training/Development Program, Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis
- 2019 Training/Development Program, Write Winning Grant Proposals