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EDUCATION

M.F.A. in Writing Northwestern University June 2023

for the Screen and Stage

Cum GPA: 4.0

B.A. Biology University of North Texas December 2018

Minors: English & Chemistry

Cum GPA: 3.67

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

2023	Second round, Austin Film Festival and Writer's Conference, Audio
2023	Semi-finalist, Normal Ave New American Plays series 2023
2020	National Institute of Health Diversity grant supplement recipient
2018	Graduated Cum Laude, University of North Texas

PRODUCTIONS

Completed Productions

Theatre

- -A Night with You, Staxis; Writer Second Site & DuSable Black History Museum, Chicago, IL, 2024
- -Lampshade; Writer Second Site, Chicago, IL, 2023.
- -Art Wall; Writer Second Site, Chicago, IL, 2023.
- -The Turn of the Screw; Writer Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 2023.

Video Games

-Pour Decisions: Lead Narrative Designer - Progression Game Mechanics, Evanston, IL, 2024.

Audio/Podcast

-O.R.I.O.N.: Episode 1; Writer – New Plays Festival, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 2023.

Readings and Workshops

Theatre

-CC: Code Blue; Writer – MFA Reading Series, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL, 2023.

Productions in Progress

Audio/Podcast

-O.R.I.O.N.: Season 1; Creator, Executive Producer, Lead Writer - Dead Druid, Chicago, IL, 2025

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Curriculum Development

•	Fall 2022	RTF 260: Foundations of Screenwriting
•	Winter 2023	RTF 260: Foundations of Screenwriting
•	Spring 2023	RTF 260: Foundations of Screenwriting

"This course teaches basic concepts of screenwriting, with an emphasis on storytelling and dramatic structure. Students will learn how core concepts of plot, character, and conflict can be used to tell universal stories, as well as express one's personal vision. Through readings, screenings, discussions, and writing assignments, students will practice key skills, including how to express film elements such as sound, production design, cinematography, and editing."

Instructor of Record

•	Fall 2022	RTF 260: Foundations of Screenwriting
•	Winter 2023	RTF 260: Foundations of Screenwriting
•	Spring 2023	RTF 260: Foundations of Screenwriting

PUBLICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Literary Publications

Hunter, Jeffrey. "Oreo Tendencies." *North Texas Review*, edited by E. Harrison Geosits, Department of English at the University of North Texas, 2018, pp 43-51.

Abstracts in Conference Proceedings

- 1. Kelly, K.R., Jost, R.M., **Hunter, J.**, Beauchamp, C.L., Wang, S.X., Tung, J.Y., Niechwiej-Szwedo, E. (2020). Discordant binocular experience disrupts hand kinematics during visually-guided reaching in children. *Association for Vision in Research and Ophthalmology* meeting, Baltimore, MD.
- 2. **Hunter, J.**, Jost, R.M., Beauchamp, C.L., Dao, L., Luu, B., Niechwiej-Szwedo, E., Kelly, K.R. Intact hand kinematics in anisometropic children during visually-guided reaching. *Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science June 2021, Vol.62, 158.*

- 3. Kelly, K.R., Jost, R.M., Birch, E.E., Wang, S.X., **Hunter Jr, J.**, Sacco, S.E., Tung, J.Y., Niechwiej- Szwedo, E. (2021). Hand kinematics during visually-guided reaching in children with deprivation amblyopia. American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus virtual meeting.
- 4. Patel, P., Wang, S.X., Cheng-Patel, C., Birch, E.E., **Hunter Jr, J.**, Kelly, K.R.* (2021) Fixation instability during binocular viewing in children following dense unilateral cataract extraction. American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus virtual meeting.

Invited Research Talks

2020 Reading and fine motor skills in children with amblyopia. University of Liverpool, Liverpool, England.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2023-24 *Program Assistant*, Master of Science in Communications, Northwestern University, Evanston
 - Maintained a budget exceeding \$2.5 million per academic year.
 - Oversaw and facilitated enrollment for over 120 graduate students.
 - Organized and facilitated major program events for faculty, staff, and students including the annual holiday party with 100+ guest attendance.
 - Advised graduate students on program course availability, degree requirements for graduation, and university policies and procedures.
 - Collaborated with faculty director and director of administration for communication strategy with department faculty by providing classroom services such as AV, name tents, and class announcements.
 - Collaborated with EPICS to create co-curricular programs for current students and program alumni to network.
- 2019-21 *Research Assistant*, Retina Foundation of the Southwest, Dallas
 - Performed in-depth vision assessments in pediatric participants.
 - Conducted early literacy skills testing with a standard test in pediatric participants.
 - Collected eye movement and hand movement data from pediatric participants during reading and motor tests.
 - Trained incoming research assistants on experimental setup, data collection and analysis, and participant intake.
 - Performed data analysis of eye tracking and hand kinematics in MATLAB for publication.
 - Presented and reviewed scientific literature on pediatric vision and neurodevelopment in monthly lab meetings and journal clubs with local ophthalmologists.
 - Presented data from the visuomotor task at an international, peer-reviewed vision science conference.
- 2019 *Care Advocate*, SurgeryPlus, Employer Direct Healthcare, Dallas
 - Provided holistic concierge helping patients navigate their healthcare to have surgery.
 - Built repertoire with patients by documenting life experiences and surgical needs.
 - Communicated between primary care physicians and surgical specialists to ease transition of care.

2016-18 *Transfer Ambassador*, University of North Texas, Denton

- Mentored prospective and current students during their UNT transition.
- Facilitated student engagement efforts by helping plan events such as Transfer Student Orientation.
- Created new social and academic content and communities for students.
- Crafted newsletters, mass emails, and social media promotions to inform students of Transfer Center and UNT events.

SERVICE

2018 <u>Camp Counselor, Camp Reynal</u>

Served as a weeklong counselor and mentor to youth with chronic kidney diseases.

2016-18 Community Service Projects, University of North Texas

Assisted with HIV awareness event. Moved incoming students into dormitories and acquainted them with campus resources as part of the *Mean-Green-Move-In* event.

2011-15 Student Volunteer, Children's Health, Dallas

Served 200+ hours assisting with patient and family care in multiple departments.

2013 <u>Nicaragua Youth Mission Volunteer</u>

Completed community construction projects for families in Nicaragua while experiencing local customs and cultures.

REFERENCES

Zayd Dohrn

Director of Writing for the Screen and Stage MFA Radio Television and Film Program Northwestern University zayddohrn@northwestern.edu

Brett Neveu

Professor of Instruction Radio Television and Film Program Northwestern University brett.neveu@northwestern.edu

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