

Danielle Johnson

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Education

Graduate

Ph.D. Communication — University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida May 2026

M.A. Communication — Coastal Carolina University, Conway, South Carolina May 2022
Communication Advocacy Concentration

Thesis Title: The Lord Is My Shepherd; I Shall Want: An Autoethnography
of Desire in Southern Funeral Rituals

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Kyle J. Holody

Undergraduate

B.A. Communication — Coastal Carolina University, Conway, South Carolina May 2021
Health Communication Concentration

Minor in Psychology

Thesis Title: The (Final) Days of Our Lives: An Analysis of End-of-Life
Health Care in Soap Operas

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Corinne M. Dalelio

B.S. Public Health — Coastal Carolina University, Conway, South Carolina August 2019 – May 2021
Capstone Internship: Horticulture Intern with Brookgreen Gardens
Capstone Supervisor: Professor Mary Kate Powell

Teaching Experience

Coastal Carolina University

Graduate Teaching Assistant: 88 students across 4 sections August 2021 – May 2022

- Co-teach a hybrid course of Persuasion (COMM 160) with a supervising faculty member
- Facilitate two to three discussion sections a week lasting 50-75 minutes
- Grade in-class activities and input grades into Moodle (the campus online learning system)
- Hold office hours for three hours a week
- Answer emails from students regarding grades, absences, exams, and makeup work
- Track attendance and collect documents for excused absences
- Work with students who have accommodations and who were under COVID-19 quarantine

Private Tutor: 10 students January 2017 – April 2021

- Reteach concepts from courses and answer questions
- Check assignments for work and correct answers
- Revise and edit papers
- Share resources (i.e., journal articles and books) for research projects

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Statistics Tutor: 30 students

January 2018 – April 2019

- Teach concepts from STAT 201 during tutoring sessions and answer questions
- Reviewed and retaught concepts from previous courses, like algebra, during sessions
- Provide students with guidance on homework
- Check assignments for work and correct answers
- Guide students on how to use their calculators
- Help students with the center's check-in/check-out system
- Support students who were struggling through encouragement and positive affirmation

Certifications

Completed

Research Mentoring & Leadership

March 2022

Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC – *Center for Teaching Excellence to Advance Learning*

- **Specialized training for graduate students to:**
 - Effectively mentor and lead groups of students, typically undergraduate or beginning graduate students, in research, scholarly, or creative activities

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion in the Workplace

May 2021

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL – *Corporate Training and Professional Education*

- **Specialized course in how to:**
 - build and grow a diverse and inclusive workforce
 - address inequity
 - create and maintain an inclusive workspace

Gatekeeper Training Certificate

March 2021

QPR Institute, Spokane, WA

- Specialized training in industry-leading suicide prevention techniques (Question, Persuade, Refer)

Introduction to Logic Models

November 2020

The University of Albany, Albany, NY – *Center for Public Health Continuing Education*

- Specialized training in the creation and maintenance of logic models for public health programs and organizations

To Be Completed

Certified Health Education Specialist

April 2023

National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Whitehall, PA

- Certification of competency and mastery of health education/promotion skills, including communication, research, advocacy, and needs assessment

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Publications & Additional Works

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Hill, C., & Johnson, D. (2022). Comprehensive Exams. In M.G. Strawser & R. Reames (eds.), *Interdisciplinary Approaches to Culminating Student Experiences*.

Status: Under Review

Johnson, D. (2022). Coastal Carolina University Graduate Teaching Assistant Manual.

Research Conference Presentations

Graduate

2022 Midwestern Popular Culture Association Professional Development Conference

Title: Remember Me: A Textual Analysis of End-of-Life Themes in *Coco*

Status: Completed

NCA 108th Annual Convention

Title: Stuck in The Great Before: Understanding Gendered Portrayals of Death in Modern Disney and Disney-Pixar Films

Division: Communication and Aging

Status: Submitted

Undergraduate

2021 Undergraduate Research Competition - Coastal Carolina University

Title: The (Final) Days of Our Lives: An Analysis of End-of-Life Health Care in Soap Operas

Division: Oral Presentations: Humanities and Fine Arts, Business, and Education

Status: Completed

Honors and Awards

Graduate

Department of Communication, Media, & Culture Graduate Teaching Assistantship

One of five students in the graduate program to be selected for a teaching assistantship

Undergraduate

Presidential Merit Award

60% of full-time tuition

The highest merit award offered at Coastal Carolina University; this scholarship is awarded to incoming freshmen who have achieved academic excellence.

Women in Philanthropy & Leadership Annual Scholarship

\$1,000

Awarded to continuing students who seek to serve their community, state, and the world through leadership, philanthropy, and academia

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Frank A. Thompson II Memorial Health Promotion Scholarship \$2,350

Select public health students from South Carolina who have demonstrated extensive community service and leadership experience are awarded this scholarship

Peggy Mishoe Annual Writers Scholarship \$1,000

Honoring local freelance writer and columnist for *The Sun News*, this scholarship is given to continuing students who celebrate journalism and community culture

SC LIFE Scholarship & Enhancement \$5,000/year + \$2,500/year

Lottery scholarship available to (high achieving) residents of South Carolina. Students who declare a major in math or science receive an enhancement following their first year.

2019-2020 Communication, Media, & Culture's Outstanding Student in Health Communication

Recognized as a representative of all health communication students in the Department of Communication, Media, and Culture; One of six students to receive a departmental award

Volunteer Experience

Graduate

Department of Communication, Media, & Culture

April 2022

Aid in the recruitment of new students through a virtual event

Undergraduate

Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar - South Carolina

2017-2021

Assist with the success of the event in roles like Facilitator and Junior Facilitator