

Natasha Casey

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Communication Studies, Department of Art History & Communications, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Dissertation: Converging Identities: Irishness and Whiteness in US Popular Culture. Committee: Will Straw (chair), Jenny Burman, Erin Hurley, Derek Nystrom, Emer O'Toole
- MSc. Media Studies, Department of Radio-Television-Film, TCU, Fort Worth, Texas, USA.
- B.A. Media Studies, Department of Media Studies, University for the Creative Arts (formerly Surrey Institute of Art and Design), Farnham, Surrey, England.

TEACHING

- 2022-Present Communication professor, Arts & Communication, Lincoln Land Community College
- 2017-2022 Associate professor of communications, English & Communications, Blackburn College
- 2011-2017 Assistant professor of communications, English & Communications, Blackburn College

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lincoln Land Community College / Communication Courses

- Public Speaking (honors, hybrid & In-person sections)
- Interpersonal Communication

Blackburn College / Media & Communication Courses

- Media and Diversity
- Communication Theory
- Public Speaking
- Media Literacy
- Introduction to Communication Studies
- Managerial Leadership
- Gender, Race & Class in the Media
- Politics and the Media
- Advanced Journalism
- Communications Senior Seminar
- History of Mass Communications
- Media and Information Literacy
- Media Law and Ethics
- National Student Advertising Competition
- American Film
- Communications Internship
- Introduction to Journalism
- Journalism Practicum

PUBLICATIONS

PEER REVIEWED

- 2022 *Media Pandemic Pedagogies at a U.S. College: From Emergency Remote Teaching to Lack of “Love”*, The Routledge Handbook of Media Education Futures Post-Pandemic, Grace Choi, Yonty Friesem, Igor Kanizaj, Usha Raman (editors), (forthcoming).
- 2021 *White and Proud: Deviant Consumers of Irishness*, Canadian Journal of Irish Studies, vol. 23
- 2019 *Not Tolerating Intolerance: Unpacking Critical Pedagogy in Classrooms and Conferences*, w/Spencer Brayton, Libraries Promoting Reflective Dialogue in a Time of Political Polarization, Andrea Baer, Ellysa Stern Cahoy and Robert Schroeder (editors), ACRL Press: 171-186.
- Reflections on Adopting a Critical Media and Information Literacy Pedagogy*, w/Spencer Brayton, Credit-bearing Information Literacy Courses: Critical Approaches, Angela Pashia & Jessica Critten (editors), ACRL Press: 117-138.
- 2002 *Riverdance: The Importance of Being Irish American*, New Hibernia Review vol. 6.4: 9-25.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2020 *Building Critical Awareness: A Faculty-Librarian Collaborative Approach to MIL in the Classroom*, w/Spencer Brayton, Media and Information Literacy in Critical Times: José Manuel Pérez Tornero, Guillermo Orozco, Esther Hamburger (editors), UNESCO.
- 2018 *Media and Information Literacy in a Higher Education Environment: An Overview and Case Study*, w/Spencer Brayton, Media Literacy in Higher Education Environments, Jayne Cabbage (editor), IGI Global: 60-76.
- 2006 *The Best Kept Secret in Retail: Selling Irishness in Contemporary America*, The Irish in Us: Irishness, Performativity, and Popular Culture, Diane Negra (editor), Duke University Press: 84-109.

INVITED & MISC PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 *Teaching Media and Information Literacy*, Teaching Media, Deanna Sellnow and Michael Strasser (series editors), Cognella (forthcoming)
- Riverdancing with Race*, Dance in Popular Culture, Jen Atkins (editor), Routledge (forthcoming)
- Bringing Media Literacy and Information Literacy Together*, w/Spencer Brayton, News Literacy Across the Undergraduate Curriculum, Melissa M. Yang and Amy M. Damico, ABC Clio (forthcoming)
- 2022 *Reflection on Under Construction*, Power Lines: Connecting with Urban Teens through Media Literacy in Libraries, Jimmeka Anderson and Kelly Czarnecki (editors), American Library Association (forthcoming)

INVITED & MISC PUBLICATIONS CONTD.

- 2022 *Media Literacy and Social Justice: Connections, Fissures, and the Future*, w/Spencer Brayton, Media Literacy and Social Justice in Action, Belinha De Abreu (editor), Routledge (forthcoming).
- 2020 *Architecture of the Internet, Media Literacy in the Library: A Guide for Library Practitioners*, American Library Association.
Foreword, Media Literacy in a Disruptive Media Environment, William G. Christ and Belinha S. De Abreu (editors), Routledge.
- 2018 *Media and Information Literacy: Growth Through Collaborative Pedagogy*, w/Spencer Brayton, NTC Journal of Media Literacy, Volume 65, No. 1 & 2, pp. 30-35.
- 2017 *Behind the Fake News Curtain: The Importance of Media Literacy Education*, The Illinois School Board Journal November/December.
- 2007 *Cultural Studies*, Encyclopedia of American Material Culture: Understanding Everyday Life, Helen Sheumaker and Shirley Teresa Wajda (editors), ABC-CLIO: 140-142.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

INVITED

- 2021 *Remote Engagement in Higher Education*, Media Education Summit, w/Usha Raman, Marco Pellitteri and Devina Sarwatay, Virtual, April 1
- 2020 *Higher Ed and Media Literacy Programs*, Northeast Media Literacy Conference, w/Cyndy Scheibe, Renee Hobbs, and Troy Hicks, Virtual, November 7.
- 2018 *We have a Problem with Political Diversity: Discourse on the Margins of Scholarly Communities*, w/Spencer Brayton, The Library Faculty Organization Fall Colloquium, Penn State University, University Park, PA, October 25.
- 2017 *Winter Symposium on Digital Literacy in Higher Education*, University of Rhode Island, Providence, Rhode Island, January 13-14.
- 2016 *North American Chapter*, UNESCO Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy, Western University, Ontario, Canada, September 20-21.

PAPERS/PRESENTATIONS/PANELS

- 2022 *F*** News: Banning Checklists and Complicating Student Engagement Through a Media and Information Literacy Lens*, w/Spencer Brayton, National Association for Media Literacy Education, July 16
- Media Literacy and Social Justice*, w/Spencer Brayton, 4th International Media Literacy Research Symposium, Madison, Wisconsin, June 27-28
- Making Sense of the Field: Categorization Schemes*, w/Michelle Ciccone, Amanda LaTasha Armstrong, Ralph Believeau, Jayne Cabbage, Yonty Friesem, 4th International Media Literacy Research Symposium, Madison, Wisconsin, June 27-28

PAPERS/PRESENTATIONS/PANELS CONTD.

- 2022 *Reviewing the Routledge Handbook of Media Education Futures Post-Pandemic*, w/Yonty Friesem, Srividya Ramasubramanian, Vitor Tomé, Amanda LaTasha Armstrong, Jeff Share, Antonio Lopez, 4th International Media Literacy Research Symposium, Madison, Wisconsin, June 27-28
- 2021 *Critical Media Literacy and Pedagogies of Care*, Critical Media Literacy Conference of the Americas, w/Ralph Beliveau, Spencer Brayton, Jayne Cabbage, Virtual, October 16
The Challenges of Teaching Critical Thinking and Student Agency, w/Jayne Cabbage and Ralph Beliveau, National Association for Media Literacy Education, Virtual, July 18
Cultivating Confidence in Youth Voices to Change the Media Landscape, w/Renee Childs, National Association for Media Literacy Education, Virtual, July 18
- 2020 *The Future of Media Education: Beyond the Digital Divide* w/Usha Raman, Devina Sarwatay, and Sushmita Pandit, Northeast Media Literacy Conference Virtual, November 7
Youth as Creators: Media Literacy in Action, w/ Renee Childs, Hannah Sterkel, and Andra Lang, Northeast Media Literacy Conference Virtual, November 7
- 2020 *Strategies for Negotiating Critical Media and Information Literacy in a Pandemic: Towards Liberation*, w/ Ralph Beliveau, Spencer Brayton and Michelle Ciccone, Northeast Media Literacy Conference, Virtual, November 7
Youth as Creators: A Media Literacy Case Study, w/ Renee Childs, Charlotte Cheung and Diana Edmonds, Critical Media Literacy Conference of Americas, Virtual, October 17
Pandemic Critical Media and Information Literacy: Liberation or a return to hegemony? w/ Ralph Beliveau, Spencer Brayton and Michelle Ciccone, Critical Media Literacy Conference of the Americas, Virtual, October 17
Virtually Viral Hangouts: Convening a Global Online Support Community, w/ Michelle Ciccone, Ariel Dagan, Renee Hobbs, Lauren McClanahan, Ed McDonough, Frank Romanelli, and Scott Spicer, Media Ecology Association Convention, Virtual, June 20
Charming Chauvinism: White Irish Masculinities in Noughties Popular Culture, Symposium on Women and Gender, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, IL, March 19-20 (paper accepted / conference cancelled due to COVID-19)
White Supremacists in American Irish Popular Culture: Why Irish Studies Ignored the Signs (until Donald Trump won)', American Conference of Irish Studies, Houston, TX, April 2-4 (paper accepted / conference cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 *Reflections on Adopting a Critical Media and Information Literacy Pedagogy*, National Communication Association, Baltimore, MD, November 14-17
Remixing Henry Jenkins & Fiskkit: Media and Information Literacy in the Classroom, National Association for Media Literacy Education, Washington, D.C., June 26-28
No Silos: Combining Media and Information Literacy in the College Classroom, National Association for Media Literacy Education, Washington, D.C. June 25

PAPERS/PRESENTATIONS/PANELS CONTD.

- 2019 *Not Tolerating Intolerance: Unpacking Critical Pedagogy in the Classroom*, w/Spencer Brayton, 17th Annual Information Literacy Summit, DePaul University Library and Moraine Valley Community College Library, Palos Hills, IL, April 5
Critical Media and Information Literacy in the Classroom: Practical Applications and Theoretical Foundations, w/Spencer Brayton, 7th Annual International Critical Media Literacy Conference, Coastal Georgia Center, Savannah, GA. February 22
- 2018 *Media and Information Literacy: Growth Through Collaborative Pedagogy*, w/Spencer Brayton, 2nd International Media Literacy Research Symposium, Lisbon, Portugal. April 19-20
Critical Intersections: Collaboration in Media and Information Literacy, w/Spencer Brayton, 6th Annual International Critical Media Literacy Conference, Coastal Georgia Center, Savannah, GA. February 23-24
- 2017 *Building Media Literate Citizens Across Three Universities: A Study in Collaboration*, w/Spencer Brayton and Julie Smith, National Association for Media Literacy Education, Roosevelt University, Chicago, IL. June 26-28
Critical Librarianship in Practice: A Case for Media and Information Literacy Instruction, w/Spencer Brayton, Canadian Association of Professional Academic Librarians / Congress for the Humanities and Social Sciences, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, May 30-June 1
Media and Information Literacy: A Case for Critical Pedagogy, w/Spencer Brayton, 16th Annual Information Literacy Summit, DePaul University Library and Moraine Valley Community College Library, Palos Hills, IL, May 5
- 2016 *Critical Media and Information Literacy: Implementing a Post Secondary Model*, w/Spencer Brayton, International Media Education Summit, John Cabot University, Rome, Italy, November 5-6
The Case for Alliance: Critical Media and Information Literacy, w/Spencer Brayton, 15th Annual Information Literacy Summit, DePaul University Library and Moraine Valley Community College Library, Palos Hills, IL, April 29
White and Proud: Irishness and US Racial Supremacy, American Conference for Irish Studies, University of Notre Dame, IN, March 30-April 3
- 2015 *Evolutionary Complications Within and Beyond Media Literacy*, 3rd Annual Critical Media Literacy Conference, Illinois State University, Normal, IL, March 20-21.

AWARDS

2020	Affiliated Faculty, Media Education Lab, Harrington School of Communication and Media, University of Rhode Island
2018	Sabbatical leave (spring), Blackburn College
2018	The 'Burnian (student newspaper), 6 awards, Illinois College Press Association
2017	Hudson Prize for Outstanding Teacher and Campus Leader, Blackburn College The 'Burnian (student newspaper), 5 awards, Illinois College Press Association Promotion & tenure (spring), Blackburn College
2016	The 'Burnian (student newspaper), 2 awards, Illinois College Press Association
2015	The 'Burnian (student newspaper), 5 awards, Illinois College Press Association
2014	Faculty Work Program Supervisor Recognition, Blackburn College The 'Burnian, Student Organization of the Year, Blackburn College

GRANTS

2022	Faculty Development/Travel Fund Grant, Blackburn College
2021	Professional Development Grant (2), Blackburn College
2020	Instructional Improvement Grant, Blackburn College Professional Development Grant, Blackburn College
2019	Student Enrichment Grant, Blackburn College Professional Development Grant, Blackburn College Instructional Improvement Grant, Blackburn College
2018	Faculty Development/Travel Fund Grant, Blackburn College
2017	Faculty Research Fund Grant, Blackburn College
2016	Work-Learning Grant, Work Colleges Consortium Checkology Mini-Grant, The News Literacy Project Instructional Improvement Grant, Blackburn College Travel Grants (2), Blackburn College Shared Work Grant, Blackburn College
2015	Faculty Research Fund, Blackburn College Travel Grant, Blackburn College
2013	Student Enrichment Grant, Blackburn College
2012	Instructional Improvement Grant, Blackburn College Travel Grant, Blackburn College

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

PEER REVIEW

2019-Present Editorial Advisory Board, Journal of Media Literacy Education
2021 Conference Proposals, National Association for Media Literacy Education
2020 National Communication Association Conference Papers, Critical/Cultural Studies
2019 Media Literacy Textbook, Rowman & Littlefield
2018 Media Literacy Textbook, Sage
MELUS (Multi-Ethic Literature of the United States), Oxford UP
2017 Media Literacy in Higher Education Environments, IGI Global
2016 Student Research Papers, Lambda Pi Eta, National Communication Associations

TO PROFESSION

2022-Present Advisory Committee, McLuhan Foundation
2021-Present Illinois Media Literacy Coalition
2022 Moderator, 4th International Media Literacy Research Symposium
2022-2021 Media Literacy Advisory Group, Illinois State Board of Education
2021 External Tenure Reviewer, Teacher Development and Educational Studies, Oakland University, Michigan
External Program Reviewer, Department of Mass Communication, Principia College, Illinois
2020 Moderator, Northeast Media Literacy Conference
2020-2017 Leadership Council, National Association for Media Literacy Education
2019 Media Literacy Education in Libraries for Adult Audiences, American Library Association
2014-2019 Board Member/Secretary, Gateway Media Literacy Partners, St. Louis, Missouri

COLLEGE & DEPARTMENT

2022-2012 Academic Advisor (communication majors, nonmajors, undecided)
2022-2014 Advisor, Lambda Pi Eta Honors Society
2022-2016 Member, Diversity and Inclusion Sub-Committee
2022-2019 Budget Committee Humanities Division Representative
2021-2020 Vice chair, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion President's Taskforce
2020-2018 Member, Higher Learning Commission Teaching & Learning Committee
2018-2017 Member, Tenure Committee
2017-2011 Supervisor, The 'Burnian (student newspaper)
2017-2015 Chair, Mueller Humanities Fellowship Committee
2017 Co-coordinator, 'Can We Talk About Race?'
2016-2015 Faculty Representative, Blackburn Board of Trustees
2016-2013 Coordinator, Departmental Internship Program
2015-2014 Supervisor, Blackburn College Radio

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2021 *Race, Power, Privilege, SpeakOut*, Institute for Democratic Education and Culture and SHIFT
Trauma Fundamentals for Higher Educators, OLT Faculty Development
Illinois Equity in Attainment, Fall Summit, Partnership for College Completion
Focus on Teaching and Technology Conference, University of Missouri
- 2020 *Beyond Diversity: How to Build a Truly Anti-Racist Organization*, Crossroads Springfield
Coalition on Dismantling Racism
Digital Pedagogy Lab, one week course, University of Colorado Denver
The Teaching Professor Conference
- 2019 *Surviving and Thriving Teaching Communication Online*, preconference workshop, National
Communication Association, Baltimore, Maryland
Social Justice and the Curriculum, one week course, Digital Pedagogy Lab, University of Mary
Washington, Fredericksburg, Virginia
- 2018 *Understanding and Analyzing Systemic Racism*, Crossroads Antiracism Organizing and
Training & Springfield Coalition on Dismantling Racism, Springfield, Illinois
Facilitating Challenging Topics in the Classroom Using the Tools of Media Literacy, six-week
online course, Project Look Sharp, Ithaca College
- 2016 *Advocate Training*, Equal Employment Opportunity and Title IX Nondiscrimination
- 2015 *Summer Institute in Digital Literacy*, one week course, University of Rhode Island
US Distance and Learning Conference
- 2014 *LGBTQ training*, Blackburn College
Lee Mun Wah Diversity Workshop, Cross Cultural Center, St. Louis University, Missouri
- 2012 *The Last Survivor*, The Holocaust Museum and Learning Center, St. Louis, Missouri

INVITED TALKS/WEBINARS/WORKSHOPS

- 2021 *Public Speaking Workshop*, Karmak (software company), Carlinville, Illinois, August 10
Media Literacy for Adults, webinar, American Library Association, February 24
Media Literacy, live online presentation, St. Louis Public Radio Mini J-School, February 15
CML and Information Literacy, classroom guest speaker w/Spencer Brayton, Dr. Jeff Share,
UCLA, Jan 12
- 2020 *Media Literacy*, live online presentation, American Association of University Women,
Lockport Area Branch, Illinois, November 23
Media Literacy: Fake News, Facts and Fiction, live online presentation, St. Louis Public Radio
Mini J-School, St. Louis, Missouri, October 14
Women, Race, & Media's Toxic Socialization, Department of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion,
North Hennepin Community College, Minneapolis, October 9
Representations of Class in The Pursuit of Happiness, Guest Lecture, Philosophy in Film, Dr.

- 2020 Scott Berman, St. Louis University Prison Education Program, October 7
It's Not Me, It's Them: Critical Pedagogy Blindspots, live online presentation w/Spencer Brayton, Media Education Lab, March 23
Fake News and Alternative Facts, Guest Lecture w/Spencer Brayton, Dr. Nicole Cooke, University of South Carolina, January 30
- 2019 *Killing Us Softly: Q&A with Jean Kilbourne*, Webinar moderator, National Association for Media Literacy Education, October 25
Media Literacy, Webinar, American Association of University Women, Jane Addams Branch, Illinois, July 10
Fake News - How to Be a More Informed Consumer of Information, National Council of Jewish Women, St. Louis, Missouri, June 20
Media and Information Literacy, Carlinville Lions Club, Carlinville, Illinois, May 14
Media and Information Literacy, Keynote address, American Association of University Women of Illinois Conference, Springfield, Illinois, May 4
Storytelling in St. Louis: Media Literacy for Entrepreneurs, Panel Discussion, EQ Leadership Labs Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, April 15
Media Literacy and News Literacy: More Than Fake News, St. Louis Public Radio Mini J-School, St. Louis, Missouri, April 10
Media Literacy 101: It's More Than Fake News, w/Marteana Davidson, Gateway Media Literacy Partners, Midwest Education Technology Community Conference, St. Charles, Missouri, February 13
- 2018 *Media Literacy: Empowering Students in the Digital Age*, w/Donnell Probst, Professional development workshop for K-12 school librarians and teachers, Fort Zumwalt West High School, O'Fallon, Missouri, November 16
The Three C's of Teaching Digital Media Literacy: Communication, Collaboration and Creation, w/Marteana Davidson, Digital Citizenship Day, Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri, September 21
Media Literacy, w/Jess Bellomo, Gateway Media Literacy Partners, World Affairs Council, St. Louis, Missouri, June 18
Media Literacy 101: It's More Than Fake News, w/Marteana Davidson, Gateway Media Literacy Partners, Midwest Education Technology Community Conference, St. Charles, Missouri, February 14
- 2017 *Complicating Fake News*, w/Spencer Brayton, Carlinville Lions Club, Illinois, April 11
What is Fake News?, Take Action Carlinville, Carlinville, Illinois, February 15
- 2015 *Media and Information Literacy*, Gateway Media Literacy Partners Showcase, Ladue Horton Watkins High School, Ladue, Missouri, November 4
- 2012 *Texts, Tweets and Facebook: How Media Literacy Will Save Civilization*, College and Community Luncheon, Blackburn College, October 28

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- 2020 *Small colleges tap technology to teach distant students*, David Blanchette, Alton Telegraph, May 8
Report: Florida, Ohio called 'advanced leaders' in K-12 media literacy efforts, Linda Jacobson, Education Dive, January 7
- 2019 *Students learning to determine what's true and what isn't*, w/Belinha De Abreu and Jeff Share, Update 1 podcast, National Press Club, Washington, DC, July 24
Multiple approaches to media literacy limit efforts to measure outcomes, Linda Jacobson, Education Dive, July 11
The Black 47 Disaster, Tom Emery, Prairie Press, Illinois, March 16
Looking back: Ireland's Easter rising was a bloody moment in history, Spooner Advocate, Wisconsin, March 16
- 2018 *Stony Brook aims to equip students with news literacy skills*, Linda Jacobson, Education Dive, September 18
Media and the End of the World Podcast with Adam Croom and Ralph Beliveau, University of Oklahoma (episode 29), September 1
Leading Lines: A podcast on educational technology, Vanderbilt University, May 7
- 2017 *Potato famine forever changed Ireland and America*, Tom Emery, Taylorville Breeze Courier, Illinois, November 15
Media Literacy in the Social Media Age' HEC-TV, St. Louis, November 9
Media Literacy Week aims to strengthen media-navigating skills, w/Mary Pat Gallagher, St. Louis on the Air, KWMU St. Louis Public Radio, November 6 =
Schools fight spread of 'fake news' through news literacy lessons, Linda Jacobson, Education Dive, October 24
Five ways teachers are fighting fake news, Sophia Alvarez Boyd, National Public Radio, February 16
January M-Passioned Member, National Association of Media Literacy Education
- 2016 *Media Literacy in 2016*, w/Julie Smith, November 1, St. Louis on the Air, St. Louis Public Radio, November 1
Ireland's Easter rising was 100 years ago this spring, Tom Emery, Taylorville Breeze Courier, Illinois, April 30

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2020-present Board Member, Youth Be Heard, art and media literacy non-profit

2014-present Board Member, SamJam, neurofibromatosis awareness non-profit

2015-2012 Member & Grant Writer, Board of Trustees, Worden Public Library

2011, 2009 Coordinator, Worden Village Board Candidate Forum

2011-2005 Member/Author/Co-Author Grants, Worden Parks & Recreation Committee

2009 Grant Writer, Governor's Hometown Award, Worden

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

National Association for Media Literacy Education

National Communication Association