

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT: Emily A. Paskewitz

We are pleased to announce Dr. Emily Paskewitz will be joining the Communication Studies Faculty August 2015. Paskewitz received her Ph.D. from North Dakota State University. [Page 3]

OUTSTANDING STUDENT: Andraya Carter

Shouting 3 Cheers for our Student Spotlight of summer, Andraya Carter. Carter completed her Bachelor of Arts Degree Summer of 15. [Page 2]

SPORTS UPDATE: Draft Time in Tennessee

Let's get ready to rumble. We are pleased to acknowledge our Communication Studies students who have the privilege of continuing their love of sport as a career. [Page 3]



Dr. Virginia Kupritz



Dr. John Haas

TRANSITIONS

Dr. John Haas has returned as Director for the School of Communication Studies. Haas was Interim Director for The School of Advertising and Public Relations for two years before returning.

While Haas was leading the ADPR program, Professor Virginia Kupritz served as acting director.

Kupritz has taught courses in qualitative research methods, ethnographic research methods, organizational teams, and organizational communication.

Her professional and educational experiences bring an international, multidisciplinary perspective to the study of organizational communication, which combines business, anthropology, environmental psychology, and development.





in·spired adj.
1. of such surpassing
brilliance or excellence
as to suggest divine
inspiration

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<http://wearethevol.com/w-basketball/team-2/andraya-carter/>

OUTSTANDING STUDENT [Cont.]: Andraya Carter

Carter showed a remarkable amount of leadership on the court and in the classroom.

She completed her degree with a 3.82 overall GPA, and was awarded the Peyton W. Manning Award in recognition of outstanding performance in Public Speaking. She was also awarded the CCI Top Graduate for summer 2015.

Along with her accomplishments in her major we are proud for her many accomplishments on the court: NSCA All American Athlete Award, 2014-15, SEC All Freshman Team, 2013-14, SEC First Year Academic Honor Roll, 2012-13, SEC Academic Honor Roll, 2013, 14, 15, and Recipient of Sam & Millie Gelber Winners' Circle Scholarship.

When asked about her experience within our program she says, "I can't even put into words how thankful I am for the Communication Studies program. Over the past three years I have learned so much about myself, how to represent myself in a positive way, and about how to connect to everyone around me. Communication Studies has given me the skills that have allowed me to network and put myself in positions to be successful even after the basketball isn't bouncing anymore. The best part is, as I am hopefully reaching different levels of success, I have no doubt in my mind that I will be able to call Dr. Haas, Kotowski, Violanti, Garland, Sandy Cabbage, and any other faculty members for help with my resumes, speeches, or whatever might be necessary as I move up in this world. Communication Studies is an amazing program and I definitely wouldn't be the woman I am without it."

We are very proud and wish you the best of luck in your future!

TRANSITIONS [Cont.]

Haas has taught graduate and undergraduate courses in organizational communication, interpersonal communication, and research methods over his 20+ years here.

His work has been published in a number of journals and he (along with co-author Michael Waltman) recently received the Franklyn S. Haiman Award for Distinguished Scholarship from the National Communication Association. Haas also served as President of the Southern States Communication Association this past year.

Both Dr. Kupritz and Dr. Haas bring enthusiasm and confidence to the program, and we are greatly appreciative of their hard work and dedication. Thanks to them we are well on our way to being a Top 25 Program in the nation.



FEATURED PROFESSOR: Laura Miller

Ph.D., The University of
Illinois at Urbana-
Champaign

After receiving her Ph.D. Miller came to The University of Tennessee in 2009.

She has over 15 publications, and 31 conference presentations, and taught four different courses during her time at UT.

Miller won the Top Four Paper Award (2012), Applied Communication Division, National Communication Association, and the Franklin H. Knowler Award (2011) for most outstanding article, NCA, Interpersonal Communication Division.

She is a member of American Public Health Association, International Association for Relationship Research, International Communication Association, National Communication Association, and Southern States Communication Association.

Congratulations Dr. Laura Miller on your promotion to Associate Professor with tenure.



TENNESSEE
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT [Cont.]:

Emily A. Paskewtiz

“ We are very excited to bring Emily into the Communication Studies family. She is one of the best young scholars in the field, and we look forward to working with her for many years.

–Dr. John Haas ”

During her time at North Dakota State she focused in Organizational Communication, Group Communication, and Quantitative Methods. She successfully defended her dissertation, “When Work and Family Merge: Understanding Intragroup Conflict Experiences in Family Farm Businesses.”

She has over 15 Publications, Submissions, and Conference Presentations.

While at North Dakota State Paskewtiz taught Fundamentals of Public Speaking, Human Communication, and Business and Professional Speaking. In addition, she taught online courses such as: Human Communication, Introduction to Agricultural Communication, and Organizational, Power, and Leadership.

She was awarded from the Department of Communication, North Dakota State University, the Outstanding Graduate Student Research Award in 2014, and the Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award in 2013.

She is a member of the National Communication Association, Interdisciplinary Network of Group Researchers, and Central States Communication Association.

Let’s give Emily Paskewtiz a Big Orange Welcome!



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SPORTS UPDATE [Cont.]:

Draft Time In Tennessee

Bret Marks, CMST '14



Recipient of the Gerda Ameristeel Men's Athletic
Endowed Scholarship

The New York Yankees

Isabelle Harrison, CMST '14



SEC Tournament MVP & All-SEC First Team in
2014

First Round Draft Pick: Phoenix Mercury

Cierra Burdick, CMST '15



Gold medalist at 2014 World 3×3 Championships
in Russia

Second Round Draft Pick: Los Angeles Sparks

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Katy Underwood, Graduate Student in the Communication Studies program, and Washington D.C. Trip alumni.

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Each year the School of Communication Studies organizes a field trip to Washington, D.C. where communications studies students are able to explore a variety of career options.

Students not only learn more about their major, but also how it plays a key role in the world around them.

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