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## Education

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- Ph.D., Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, December 2016  
Major Concentration: Communication Studies  
GPA: 4.0/4.0
- M.A., Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, August 2011  
Major Concentration: Communication Studies  
GPA: 3.92/4.0
- B.A., Capital University, Columbus, OH, December 2004  
Major Concentration: Communication Studies  
GPA: 3.93/4.0

## Academic Appointments

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- Senior Lecturer/ Associate Director of Debate*  
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, August 2017-Present
- Lecturer/ Associate Director of Debate*  
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, August 2016-July 2017
- Visiting Assistant Professor/ Interim Director of Forensics*  
University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA, July 2015-June 2016
- Graduate Teaching Assistant to the Debate Team*  
Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, July 2009-May 2015
- Adjunct Instructor*  
Oakland Community College, Royal Oak, MI, August 2013-May 2015
- Graduate Teaching Instructor/ Assistant*  
Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, August 2011-June 2015
- Adjunct Faculty: Assistant Debate Coach*  
Capital University, Columbus, OH, August 2008-May 2009

## Publications

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### *Journal Articles*

Young, Kelly M., **John P. Koch**, et al. "Restoring Balance: An Academic Review of Arguments For and Against the Restriction of Presidential War Powers." *Contemporary Argumentation and Debate* 34 (2013-2014): 51-128.

### *Book Chapters*

Koch, John P. "Barack Obama's First Address 2/24/09." In *Mr. Speaker, The President of the United States of America: Addresses to a Joint Session of Congress* (Ed.) Aaron Kall, Amazon Digital, 2017.

Koch, John P. "Sinners and Saints: Civil Religion, Public Memory, and the Presidency at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum." In *The Rhetoric of American Civil Religion: Symbols, Sinners, and Saints* (Eds.) Jason Edwards and Joseph Valenzano, Lanham: MD, Lexington Books, 2016.

### *Works Under Review*

Koch, John P., Avery Henry, and Kelly M. Young. "Creative Democracy: Towards a Pluralistic Model of Debate." Submitted to a national debate journal

Henry, Avery, Kelly M. Young, and **John P. Koch**. "Redefining the Borders of the War on Terrorism: Drone Strikes, Citizenship, and Endo-colonizing Rhetoric." Submitted to a national rhetoric journal

Young, Kelly M., Avery Henry, and **John P. Koch**. "Why Forensics Matters: The Development of Emotional Competence in Competitors." Submitted to a national forensics journal

### *Works in Progress (listed in order of anticipated submission)*

Koch, John P. "The Affective Presidency: Woodrow Wilson, Political Emotions, and Democracy." To be submitted to a national public address journal

Young, Kelly M., **John P. Koch**, and Avery Henry. "What is the Value of Teaching Argumentation in the Age of Trump?" To be submitted to a national argumentation journal

Henry, Avery, **John P. Koch**, and Kelly M. Young. "Embracing Debate 2.0: The Rhetorical Circulation of the Digital Debate Subject." To be submitted to a national debate journal

## Conference Presentations

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- Young, Kelly M., **John P. Koch**, and Avery J. Henry. "What's the Value of Argumentation and Debate for Civic Education in the Age of Trump and Populist Reasoning?" Presented at the 2016 National Communication Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA. (Competitively Selected: Top Paper Panel)
- Young, Kelly M., **John P. Koch**, and Avery Henry. "Throwing a Penalty Flag on the NFL: The NFL's Dramatic Framing and Botched Efforts to Change Racial Discourse." Presented at the 2016 Rhetoric Society of America Conference, Atlanta, GA. (Competitively Selected)
- Henry, Avery, **John P. Koch**, and Kelly Young. "Embracing Debate 2.0: The Rhetorical Circulation of the Digital Debate Subject." Presented at the 2015 National Communication Association Conference, Las Vegas, NV. (Competitively Selected: Top Paper CEDA Division)
- Henry, Avery, Kelly Young, and **John P. Koch**. "Obama's Missed Opportunity: Embracing Change in Drone Strikes, Citizenship, and Endo-colonizing Rhetoric." Presented at the 2015 National Communication Association Conference, Las Vegas, NV. (Competitively Selected: Top Paper Panel Argumentation and Forensics Division)
- Koch, John P., Avery Henry, and Kelly M. Young. "Creative Democracy: Towards a Pluralistic Framework for Debate." Presented at the 2014 National Communication Association Conference, Chicago, IL. (Competitively Selected)
- Henry, Avery, Kelly Young, and **John P. Koch**. "Redefining the Borders of the War on Terror: Drone Strikes, Citizenship, and Endo-colonizing Rhetoric." Presented at the 2014 Rhetoric Society of America Conference, San Antonio, TX. (Competitively Selected)
- Koch, John P. "Bush Take the Wheel: The Presidency, Argumentation, and the Public Sphere in the Age of Bush." Presented at the 2013 National Communication Association Conference, Washington, D.C. (Competitively Selected)
- Koch, John P. "Constructing the Sublime: Classical Rhetoric, George W. Bush, and the National Pastime." Paper presented at the 2013 Eastern Communication Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA. (Competitively Selected)

Koch, John P. "What Would Reagan Do? Memoro-Politics, The Ronald Reagan Presidential Museum, and Docile Citizenship." Paper presented at the 2013 Eastern Communication Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA. (Competitively Selected)

Koch, John P. "War Rhetoric and Protest: Challenging Presidential Foreign Policy Doctrines." Paper presented at 2011 National Communication Association Conference, New Orleans, LA. (Panel Presentation)

## **Invited Presentations**

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Koch, John P. "Rhetoric as Method." Presented as a Guest Speaker at the Department of Communication Graduate Student Research Colloquium, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, February 25, 2015.

Koch, John P. "Sinners and Saints: Public Memory and Civil Religion at the Gerald Ford Presidential Museum." Presented as the Featured Speaker at the Department of Communication Faculty/Student Research Colloquium, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, February 20, 2015.

Koch, John P. "The Affective Presidency." Presented as a Guest Lecturer for Rhetorical Criticism (COM 4190) at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, November 11, 2014.

Koch, John P. "Rhetoric at Political Party Conventions." Presented as a Guest Lecturer for Public Address (COM 5120) at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, February 12, 2014.

Koch, John P. "Classical Rhetoric Brought to Life: The Relevance of Classical Rhetoric to Contemporary Society." Presented as a Guest Speaker for Introduction to Communication Studies (COM 2000) at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, January 23, 2013.

Koch, John P. "The Power of Presidential Rhetoric: A New Approach." Presented as a Guest Speaker for Introduction to M.A. in Communication Studies (COM 7000) at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, November 20, 2012.

Koch, John P. "An Overview of Rhetoric." Presented as a Guest Speaker for Communication Theories (COM 3400) at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, February 2012.

## **Professional Development**

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Koch, John P. (Participant). Shifting Grounds of War Rhetoric. National Communication Association Pre-Conference, November 20, 2013.

Koch, John P. (Participant). Bringing Deliberative Democracy into Electoral Politics. Wayne State University Summer Doctoral Seminar with Dr. John Gastil, May 30- June 2, 2012.

Koch, John P. (Participant). Remembering as Citizens: Rhetoric, Memory, and Citizenship. Rhetoric Society of America Workshop, June 24-26, 2011.

Koch, John P. (Participant). Visual Rhetoric and Public Culture. Wayne State University Summer Doctoral Seminar with Dr. John Lucaites, June 12-15, 2011.

## **Teaching**

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### *Vanderbilt University*

CMST 1500: Fundamentals of Public Speaking

### *University of Puget Sound*

COM 171: Introduction to American Public Address

COM 344: Rhetorical Theory

SSI 186: Seminar in Scholarly Inquiry: Presidential Rhetoric

SSII 186: Seminar in Scholarly Inquiry: Presidential Rhetoric

### *Wayne State University (Instructor of Record)*

COM 1010: Oral Communication (Basic Speech)

COM 2160: Persuasive Campaigns and Movements

### *Wayne State University (Graduate Teaching Assistant)*

COM 2110: Argumentation and Debate

### *Oakland Community College*

COM 1290: Interpersonal Communication

COM 1600: Fundamentals of Speech

## **Academic/Professional Service**

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### *National Service*

Secretary, National Communication Association Argumentation and Forensics Division, November 2015-Present

Member, Nominations Committee, American Forensic Association, August 2014-August 2016

Reviewer, National Communication Association Argumentation and Forensics Division, Political Communication Division, and Public Address Division, 2012-Present

*University Service*

Graduate Student Representative, Rhetoric Faculty Search Committee, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, August 2013-January 2014

Graduate Student Representative to University Tenure and Promotion Committee, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, February 2013-April 2013

Assistant Consultant/Founding Member of Wayne State Public Speaking Consulting Cooperative, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, August 2012-May 2015

Communication Chair, Graduate Employee Organizing Committee, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, August 2012-April 2015

Secretary, Communication Studies Graduate Student Association, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, August 2011-May 2012

*Debate Service*

Tab Room Assistant, Nashville Elementary and Middle School Debate, Nashville, TN, August 2016-Present

Coach, Judge, and Tab Room Assistant, Detroit Urban Debate League, Detroit, MI, August 2009-May 2015

Public Debate Participant, 2010 U.S. vs. British Debate Series, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, October 2010

## **Awards & Recognition**

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*Academic*

Top Paper: National Communication Association CEDA Division, 2015

Thomas C. Rumble Fellowship  
Wayne State University, Department of Communication, August 2014-May 2015 (Approximately \$40,000)

2014 Summer Research Award  
Wayne State University, Department of Communication, May 2015-August 2015 (\$5,000)

Departmental Service Award  
Wayne State University, Department of Communication, 2013-2014  
(\$500)

*Select Debate Awards and Coaching Accomplishments*

- Coach of the 2016-2017 Southeast CEDA Junior Varsity Champions
- Cleared two Junior Varsity teams to semi-finals at the 2017 Indiana Policy Debate Tournament
- Coach of the 2016 American Debate Association Fall Junior Varsity Champions
- Coached Semi-finalist team in Junior Varsity and Quarterfinalist team in Novice at the 2016 University of Kentucky Policy Debate Tournament
- Cleared one team to Double-Octofinals at the 2016 CEDA National Policy Debate Tournament (4<sup>th</sup> Seed)
- Qualified one team to the 2016 National Debate Tournament at Binghamton University
- Two teams cleared to elimination rounds at the 2016 University of Oregon Parliamentary Debate Tournament
- Double-Octofinals appearance by one team at the 2016 California-Berkley Policy Debate Tournament
- Cleared one team to Octofinals at the 2015 University of Nevada-Las Vegas Policy Debate Tournament
- Finals appearance by one team at the 2015 University of Puget Sound Parliamentary Debate Tournament
- Cleared one team to Octofinals at the 2015 Lewis and Clark Parliamentary Debate Tournament
- 2014-2015 Cross-Examination Debate Association East-Central Region Critic of the Year
- Coach of the 2015 Michigan Interscholastic Speech League Lincoln-Douglas Debate State Champion and Top Speaker
- Qualified one team to the 2015 National Debate Tournament at the University of Iowa

Coach of two teams ranked in the top 25 of the final 2013- 2014 National Debate Coaches' Poll and National Debate Tournament Pre-Bid Rankings

Cleared one team to elimination rounds at the 2015 Cal-State Fullerton Policy Debate Tournament

Double-Octofinals appearance by one team at the 2014 University of Kentucky Policy Debate Tournament

Cleared one team to elimination rounds at the 2014 National Debate Tournament at the University of Indiana (9<sup>th</sup> Seed)

Octofinals appearance by one team at the 2014 University of Texas-Austin Policy Debate Tournament

Coach of the 2013 Clarion University Policy Debate Tournament Open Division Champions

Coached one team to Octofinals of the 2013 Harvard University Policy Debate Tournament

Quarterfinals appearance by one team at the 2013 University of Kentucky Policy Debate Tournament

Cleared two teams to Octofinals of the 2013 Georgia State University Policy Debate Tournament

Debate Program ranked in the Top 20 Nationally 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Qualified two teams to the National Debate Tournament in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Coach of the 2011 American Debate Association Open Division Top Speaker

## **Memberships and Affiliations**

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### *Member*

American Forensic Association, May 2014-Present

Rhetoric Society of America, May 2010-Present

National Communication Association, January 2009-Present



