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EDUCATION

2005: Doctoral course work, Linguistics, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-8400; 15 hours completed; GPA: 3.3

1995: MAMC: Mass Communication, specialization in science communication, College of Journalism & Communications, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-8400; GPA: 3.4

WORK EXPERIENCE

8/2002-present: Department of Veterans Affairs, Gainesville and Tampa, FL

- ***2016-present, Research Assistant***, Brain Rehabilitation Research Center (BRRC, Gainesville) and Center of Innovation in Disability and Rehabilitation Research (CINDRR, Tampa). Assisting with literature reviews, grant submission, data management, dissemination and other research-related activities for a wide range of research projects.
- ***2012-2016, Technical Writer/Editor***, Brain Rehabilitation Research Center (BRRC, Gainesville) and Center of Innovation in Disability and Rehabilitation Research (CINDRR, Tampa), full time 2012-2016; currently 20-28 hr/wk — Write and edit research-related documents, from scientific papers and PowerPoint presentations to informed consent forms; conduct literature searches; track publication projects; maintain BRRC website. CINDRR supervisors: Lisa Ottomanelli, PhD, lisa.ottomanelli@va.gov; Gail Powell-Cope, PhD, gail.powell-cope@va.gov. BRRC supervisor: Janis J. Daly, PhD, janis.daly@neurology.ufl.edu
- ***2002-2012, Research Administrative and Editorial Support***, BRRC, Gainesville, 20-40 hr/wk — In various positions over time (due to academic pursuits), assisted with all aspects of administrative support and with information dissemination, both internal and external, including preparing annual reports and presentations; designing and writing advertisements and other communications for research subjects such as recruitment materials, forms, correspondence; maintaining a system of email communications for staff announcements; and serving as web master. Center Director 2002-2011: Leslie Gonzalez Rothi, PhD, lgonroth@gmail.com. Deputy Director, Jim Korner, MBA, jrk31@psu.edu.

10/1999–1/2005: Columnist, “Views Afield” in *Science Editor* (bimonthly publication of the Council of Science Editors), 8 hours/month—unpaid volunteer. Supervisor: Barbara Gastel, MD, 979-845-6887; bgastel@cvm.tamu.edu — Surveyed the academic literature for articles of interest to science editors and wrote summaries of them with commentary.

10/1996– 4/2002: Coordinator of Research Services and Programs. Institutional Review Board, Office of Research, Technology, and Graduate Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL. Immediate Supervisor: Michael Mahoney, IRB-01 Coordinator, mmahoney@ufl.edu — Rewrote informed consent forms to participate in research to make them understandable and meaningful at the 8th grade level. Assisted investigators in preparing applications for human subject research and in responding to reviewer comments. Served as liaison between reviewers and investigators. Established a regular educational email newsletter and maintained it as sole writer/producer.

1978–1996: Editor. Department of Anesthesiology, University of Florida College of Medicine, Gainesville, FL. Supervisor: Nikolaus Gravenstein, MD, ngravenstein@anest.ufl.edu —

Assisted authors with all types of publications, from abstracts to books, and all aspects of publication, for example, choosing where and how to submit and resubmit manuscripts and planning responses to reviewers' comments. Served as liaison between authors and editors, reviewers, and publishers. Provided complete editorial service, from rewriting and substantive editing to formatting and proofing galleys. Managed a small (3-person) editorial office for an academic department (approximately 150 publications/year). Provided editorial support and guidance to all departmental staff members—academic, administrative, and clerical.

1982–1992: Abstractor, 16 hr/month. *Survey of Anesthesiology*, publisher: Williams & Wilkins; editors: C. Ron Stephens (1982-1984) and Burnell R. Brown, Jr. (1984-1989)
Summarized peer-reviewed articles about anesthesiology from a wide array of journals.

AWARDS

Certificate of Appreciation (for establishing and writing the “Views Afield” column of *Science Editor*), Council of Science Editors, 2004
Social Sciences Winner, Graduate Student Poster Competition, Annual Meeting, American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1995

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Cotner BA, Ottomanelli L, Keleher V, Dirk L. Scoping review of resources for integrating evidence-based supported employment into spinal cord injury rehabilitation. *Disabil Rehabil.* 2018 Feb 27;1-8.
Layon AJ, Dirk L. Resuscitation and DNR: Ethical aspects for anaesthetists. *Canadian Journal of Anaesthesia* 1995; 42:134-40.
Dirk L. [From laboratory to scientific literature: the life and death of biomedical research results.](#) *Science Communication* 1996; 18:3-28.
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Dirk L. [A measure of originality: the elements of science.](#) *Social Studies of Science* 1999; 29:765-76 ([Altmetrics](#)).

VIEWS AFIELD (Bimonthly Column) - Columns available to view online at:

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Dirk L. Reader expectations and lexical difficulty. *CBE Views* 1999; 22:162.
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Dirk L. The scientific paper: Through the looking glass. *Science Editor* 2000; 23:132-3.
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Dirk L. The importance of being written. *Science Editor* 2000; 23:204.
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Dirk L. On the bias. *Science Editor* 2001; 24:99.
Dirk L. The scientific body electric. *Science Editor* 2001; 24:129.

- Dirk L. The eyes have it. *Science Editor* 2001; 24:165.
- Dirk L. A public matter. *Science Editor* 2002; 25:24.
- Dirk L. The many facets of science: five decades of science studies. *Science Editor* 2002; 25:57.
- Dirk L. The editorial rod and staff. *Science Editor* 2002; 25:98.
- Dirk L. Brave new text. *Science Editor* 2002; 25:133.
- Dirk L. Science news: a medium rarely well done? *Science Editor* 2002; 25:203.
- Dirk L. Tabula rasa: call for guest columnists. *Science Editor* 2003; 26:21.
- Dirk L. A wrench in the works. *Science Editor* 2003; 26:59.
- Dirk L. Suppose there were no printers. *Science Editor* 2003; 26:133-34.
- Dirk L. Practical makes perfect. *Science Editor* 2004; 27:129.
- Dirk L. Marine ecologists explore science journal issues. *Science Editor* 2004; 27:165.
- Dirk L. Mapping knowledge domains. *Science Editor* 2004; 27:197.

OTHER

- Carroll L. The effect of editing on style. *Bio-Process Eng* 1985; 1(3):15-6, 32. **Invited.** (Reprinted from Newsletter of Florida Chapter of the American Medical Writers Association, also invited.)
- Dirk L. Attitudinal expressions as a measure of reviewer fairness [letter to the editor]. *Radiology* 1992; 182:287-8.
- Dirk L. The control of scientific information [abstract]. *Sciphers* 1993; 13 (Spring):4.
- Dirk L. Phenomenal discovery: the scientific journal peer review system [thesis]. Gainesville (FL): University of Florida; August 1995.

PRESENTATIONS

- The discursive and narrow: An examination of peer review (May 8). Annual Meeting. Council of Biology Editors, Orlando, Florida, 1990 May 5-8.
- The control of scientific information (Aug 11). 76th Annual Convention. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. Kansas City, Missouri, 1993 Aug 11-14.
- Incidence of acceptance, rejection, resubmission, and nonpublication of full reports of research presented at academic meetings, poster presentation (Sept 10). 2nd International Congress on Peer Review in Biomedical Publication. American Medical Association, Chicago, Illinois, 1993 Sept 9-11.
- The relation between originality, type of science, and acceptance by a peer review journal, poster presentation (Feb 17). Annual Meeting. American Association for the Advancement of Science, Atlanta, Georgia, 1995 Feb 16-21.
- From laboratory to scientific literature: The life history of research results. Paper Club. Department of Anesthesiology, University of Florida College of Medicine, Gainesville, Florida, 1995 Nov 9.
- A typology of scientific originality: Initial validity testing, poster presentation (Sept 18). 3rd International Congress on Peer Review. American Medical Association, Prague, 1997 Sept 18-20.