

# Taylor Dawson

Curriculum Vitae

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Louisiana State University

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## **Education**

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B.A. California State University, Stanislaus, Communication Studies, Spring 2015

M.A. California State University, Northridge, Communication Studies, Spring 2017

PhD Louisiana State University, Communication Studies, Spring 2021 (expected)

## **Professional Appointments**

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### Teaching Associate

Department of Communication Studies  
California State University, Northridge  
Fall 2015 –Spring 2017

### Research Assistant

Department of Communication Studies  
California State University, Northridge  
Fall 2015 –Spring 2017

### Teaching Associate

Department of Communication Studies  
Louisiana State University  
Fall 2017 – Present

## **Teaching Experience**

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FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING | Instructor-of-Record: Fall 2015-Spring 2017  
Introduction to the study of the human communication process with an emphasis on effective public communication. Includes intensive practice in public speaking, reasoning, and critical listening.

ARGUMENTATION | Instructor-of-Record: Fall 2016  
Studies of the strategies used for rhetorical argument; emphasis is given to ways of finding issues, using evidence, and detecting fallacies in rhetorical communications; practice is given in the formulation and critical analysis of argument in rhetorical communications.

PUBLIC SPEAKING | Instructor-of-Record: Fall 2018 –Present

## Conference Presentations & Performances

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Dawson, T. "The Metamorpho-Star Music Video: A Genre Criticism Tracing the Shift from Child Star to Adult Star," (February, 2017). Paper presented at the Western States Communication Association Annual Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

Dawson, T. Mindfulness and Communication Panel (February 2018). Panel to be presented at the Western States Communication Association Annual Convention, Santa Rosa, CA.

*Hollywood Bound*, Fall 2015, performer, writer, director, California State University, Northridge, Experimental Theater.

*Soup*, Spring 2017, sound designer, California State University, Northridge, Experimental Theater.

*Graduate Student Showcase*, Fall 2017, musician, Louisiana State University.

*Baton Rouge Slam*, Fall 2017, prop designer, Hopkins Black Box, Louisiana State University.

*You Menstrual Me*, Fall 2017, performer, Petit Jean Performance Festival (invited performance).

*Cue Cartoon*, Spring 2018, performer, Hopkins Black Box, Louisiana State University.

*Wittgenstein's Mistress*, Spring 2018, assistant tech director, Hopkins Black Box, Louisiana State University.

*Look*, Spring 2018, Performer, Hopkins Black Box, Louisiana State University.

*Graduate Student Showcase*, performer/musician, Fall 2018, Louisiana State University.

*Look*, Fall 2018, performer, Petit Jean Performance Festival (invited performance).

*Housekeeping*, Fall 2018, Performer, Hopkins Black Box, Fall 2018, Louisiana State University

*Semiotics of Semiotics of Semiotics of the Kitchen* (multimedia installation), Fall 2018, Director/set designer/tech director, Installation showcase, Hopkins Black Box, Louisiana State University.

*(Dis)embodied*, Assistant tech director, Spring 2019, Hopkins Black Box, Louisiana State University.

*Cue Cartoon*, Performer, Spring 2019, Patti Pace Performance Festival, New Orleans, Louisiana, (invited performance).

*Cuticle*, Director, Spring 2019, Multimedia Installation, Louisiana State University.

*Lighten Up, Francis*, Spring 2019, Multimedia Installation, Louisiana State University.

## **Awards**

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### Aronstam Travel Grant

Department of Communication Studies, California State University, Northridge  
Spring 2016.

### Travel Grant

Office of Community Engagement, California State University, Northridge  
Spring 2016.

### Most Outstanding Graduate Student

Department of Communication Studies, California State University, Northridge  
Spring 2017

## **References**

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