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# EDUCATION:

# M.F.A. in Creative Writing (Nonfiction), Miami University, July 2022.

# B.A. Anthropology, cum laude, Miami University, May 2001.

# TEACHING:

Ball State University: HONR 203: Our Lives, Our Labor, 2024

Ball State University: ENG 285: Intro to Creative Writing, 2024.

Ball State University: HON 390: Doing Good Better, 2023.

Ball State University: ENG 103: Rhetoric & Writing, 2023-present.

Ball State University: HONR 189: Global Foods, 2022-2024.

Miami University: ENG 226: Creative Writing, 2022.

Miami University: ENG 111: First-Year Composition, 2020-2021.

Midwest Writers Workshop: classes on nonfiction and publishing 2009-current.

Ball State University, Sociology: Study abroad co-lecturer, Costa Rica, 2015.

University of Illinois: Unit One/Allen Hall Guest-in-Residence, 2014-2015.

Winthrop University, International Studies, co-lecturer, Guatemala, 2013.

West Texas A&M University, Readership Program, study abroad co-lecturer, 2012.

PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

*Renewing Earth: How Regenerative Agriculture Fights Poverty, Climate Change, & Offers Hope to Farmers & Eaters Everywhere.* Ventura:Patagonia Books, 2025.

*Where Am I Giving? A Global Adventure Exploring How to Use Your Gifts and Talents to Make a Difference*. Hoboken: John Wiley & Sons, 2018.

*Where Am I Eating? An Adventure Through the Global Food Economy.* Hoboken: John Wiley & Sons, 2014.

*Where Am I Wearing? A Global Tour to the Countries, Factories, and People That Make Our Clothes*. Hoboken: John Wiley & Sons, 2012.

Articles:

“Life is a Political Act.” *UPROXX*, November 6, 2018.

“Books and United Way critical to unlocking potential of every child.” *Star Press*, October 5, 2018.

“How Kenya Got to be No. 3 On a Survey of Most Generous Nations,” *NPR: Goats & Soda*, November 27, 2017.

“Health Care Costs and System Could Leave Kids Like My Autistic Son Behind,” *HuffPost*, March, 11, 2017.

“Why Now is the Time to Start Drinking Fair Trade Coffee.” *HuffPost*, January 23, 2014.

“Follow Your Labels” (cover story). *Christian Science Monitor*, July 21, 2013.

“The Labors of Our Fathers.” *The Journal of Wabash College*, August 28, 2012.

“In a League of Their Own: An American Ventures into Kenyan Marathon Territory.” *Christian Science Monitor*, April, 2011.

“One Day in the Slum.” *Relevant Magazine*, Jan/Feb, 2011.

“In a League of Their Own.” *Christian Science Monitor*, April, 2011.

“The holiday-gift moment of truth: ‘Wear’ am I?” *Christian Science Monitor*, [s. l.], v. 101, n. 13, p. 25, 12 Dec. 2008.

“Fruit Of Whose Loom?” *Conde Nast Portfolio*, vol. 2, no. 11, Nov. 2008, p. 11.

“Was It a Frivolous Gift or a Lifelong Memory?” *Christian Science Monitor*, vol. 99, no. 245, 15 Nov. 2007, p. 19.

“Fireflies Illuminate Summer Memories.” *Christian Science Monitor*, vol. 99, no. 164, 20 July 2007, p. 19.

“A House on Wheels Provides Tons of Adventure. *Christian Science Monitor*, [s. l.], v. 98, n. 137, p. 19, 12 jun. 2006.

“In a Remote Area, Baseball Is the Universal Language.” *Christian Science Monitor*, vol. 98, no. 110, 3 May 2006, p. 19.

GRANTS:

Marianne Glick for The Facing Project ($150,000), 2021-2022.

Indiana Humanities American Rescue Operating Support grant for The Facing Project ($5,000) 2021.

Miami University Graduate Summer Research Fellowship, 2021.

Indiana Humanities American Rescue Operating Support grant for The Facing Project ($5,000) 2020.

# HONORS, AWARDS, & DISTINCTIONS:

Miami University MFA-Nonfiction student of the year, 2022.

2019 Indiana Journalism Award Ball State University.

*New York Times* bestselling author, 2016.

*New York Times* bestselling author, 2015.

Eugene & Marilyn Glick Indiana Author Award, winner, 2014.

Eugene & Marilyn Glick Indiana Author Award, finalist, 2013.

# INVITED LECTURES (selected from 150+ lectures):

Mid-East Honors Association Society conference, Indianapolis, IN, 2023

Cleveland State, Inaugural Leadership Lecture Series, Cleveland, OH, 2023

Indiana Tech, Ft. Wayne, IN, 2021.

Libertyville High School, Writer’s Week, Libertyville, IL 2021.

North Dakota Humanities, Bismarck, ND, 2021, 2022.

Pfeiffer University, Misenheimer, NC, 2010, 2021.

Brookhaven Community College, Dallas, TX, 2019.

DePaul University, Chicago, IL, 2019.

Keuka College, Keuka Park, NY, 2018, 2019.

Illinois State University, Normal, IL, 2018.

McKendree University, Lebanon, IL, 2014, 2018.

St. Louis Community College at Meramec St. Louis, MO, 2011, 2018.

Taylor University, Upland, IN, 2016, 2018.

Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, TN, 2015, 2017.

Miami University “Ohio Writing Project” Oxford, OH 2012, 2017.

University of California Channel Islands, Camarillo, CA, 2011, 2017.

Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY, 2013, 2016.

Butler University Indianapolis, IN, 2016.

Cornell University Ithaca, NY, 2016.

FIT (Fashion Institute) New York, NY, 2015, 2016.

Severna School: David Astle Memorial Lecture Series, 2016.

St. Edward’s University Austin, TX, 2016.

USAID Washington D.C., 2016.

West Texas A&M, 2010, 2012, 2016.

Bakersfield College, Bakersfield, CA, 2015.

Indiana State University’s “Human Right’s Day” Terra Haute, IN, 2011, 2015.

Miami University Nutrition Conference, 2015.

NW Missouri State: Distinguished Lecture Series, 2015.

Stephens College Columbia, MO, 2015.

University of Illinois: Unit One/Allen Hall Guest-in-Residence, 2014-2015.

Indiana University Bloomington, IN, 2009, 2010, 2014.

Iowa State Ames, IA, 2014.

Ball State University, 2012, 2013.

Berea College Berea, KY, 2013.

Lehigh University, 2013.

Mt. Hood Community College Gresham, OR, 2013.

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, 2013.

Ball State University Journalism Day Muncie, IN, 2010, 2012.

Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell, SD, 2012.

Georgetown College Modern Day Slavery Conference Georgetown, KY, 2012.

San Pedro Sula University, San Pedro Sula, Honduras, 2012.

Texas State University, 2012.

Wabash College, Crawfordsville, IN, 2012.

Ashland University Ashland, OH, 2011.

Ball State University Anthropology Department Muncie, IN, 2011.

Centenary College Shreveport, LA, 2011.

Earlham School of Religion Peace Forum Richmond, IN, 2011.

Indiana Campus Compact statewide conference Indianapolis, IN, 2011.

Rockford College Rockford, IL, 2011.

Calvin College Grand Rapids, MI, 2010.

Colorado State University, Pueblo, CO, 2010.

Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, IL, 2010.

Manchester College Manchester, IN, 2009.

# CONFERENCES:

AWP Conference, The Facing Project, exhibitor, 2022.

North Central Sociological Association, *The Facing Project Sharing Your Community’s Story* (Panelist), 2019.

AWP Conference, The Facing Project, exhibitor, 2018.

National Resource Center First Year Experience Conference, exhibitor and presenter, 2014***–***2016, 2018.

SweatFree Communities Conference, keynote, Tacoma, WA, 2010.

RADIO REPORTING / HOSTING:

*The Facing Project Show*, Indiana Public Radio, co-host, 2018 – present.

*The World Vision Report* on National Public Radio, regular contributor, 2009 – 2011.

*Good People Podcast with Kelsey Timmerman* featured on HBO documentary *Savior Complex*, 2019–2021

SERVICE:

Ball State Honors Undergraduate Fellowship, Faculty Mentor, 2024.

Indiana Humanities, Humanities Scholar for Paddle Event, 2024.

Indiana Humanities, Humanities Scholar for Campfire Event, 2023.

Muncie Civic Theatre Board Member, 2024 – present.

Miami English Graduate & Adjunct Association (volunteer), 2021.

Miami University, MU Press, Novella Prize, reader, 2021.

The Facing Project Press, Senior Editor, 2020 – present.

*OxMag*, nonfiction editor & staff reader, 2020 ***–*** 2022.

Ball State University, Career Center Practice Interview, 2017.

The Facing Project (co-founder) 2011- present.

Midwest Writers Workshop, Treasurer, 2014 ***–*** present.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ball State Non-Tenure Line Faculty Academy, 2024.

Ball State Student Success Summit, 2022.

SELECTED INTERVIEWS:

“Kelsey Timmerman: Where Am I Giving.” Bill Thomas. Prairie Public Radio. April 6, 2021.

“Where Am I Giving?: Trips to 50 countries helped shape this local author’s new book.” Audery J. Kirby. The Star Press. August 13, 2018.

“Chicago Marks The ‘Fashion Revolution.’” Jerome McDonnell. WBEZ: Worldview. April 26, 2017.

“Interview with Kelsey Timmerman, Author of ‘Where Am I Eating?’” Sam Dean. bon appetite. April 23, 2013.

“The Global Production of Our Food: A Q&A with Kelsey Timmerman.” Jane Friedman. VQR. August 12, 2013.

“Where Our Food and Clothing Come from.” Pat Murphy. The Christian Science Monitor. July 21, 2013.

“Surprising Facts About Where Food Comes From.” Kimberly Palmer. U.S. News & World Report. July 24, 2013.

“Eagle Scouts Return Badges in Protest.” Neal Conan. NPR: Talk of the Nation. July 25, 2012.

TEACHING INTERESTS:

Stories for social change; creative writing; nonfiction; globalization; consumerism; agriculture; oral history; environmental humanities; Indigenous studies; philanthropy; effective altruism, climate change.