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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2016

Communication

Adviser: John Caughlin, Ph.D.

Dissertation: *Coping with Type 2 Diabetes in the Family Context: A Communal Coping Perspective*

M.A. University of Georgia, 2011

Communication Studies

Adviser: Kirsten Weber, Ph.D.

B.A. Samford University, 2008

Communication Studies

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Department of Communication Studies 2016-present

Core Faculty, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Heath Psychology Ph.D. Program 2018-present

Teaching and Research Assistant, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Department of Communication 2011-2016

Teaching Assistant, University of Georgia
Department of Communication Studies 2009-2011

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Basinger, E. D. (2019). Testing a dimensional versus a typological approach to the communal coping model in the context of type 2 diabetes. *Health Communication*. Advance online publication. doi:10.1080/10410236.2019.1573297

- Basinger, E. D.**, Caughlin, J. P., & Wang, N. (2018). Examining discrepancies between actual and desired communal coping with type 2 diabetes. *Personal Relationships*. Advance online publication. doi:10.1111/per.12259
- Basinger, E. D.** (2018). Explicating the appraisal dimension of the communal coping model. *Health Communication, 33*, 690-699. doi:10.1080/10410236.2017.1300208
- Basinger, E. D.**, & Knobloch, L. K. (2018). A grounded theory of online coping by parents of military service members. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, 35*, 702-721. doi:10.1177/0265407517694769
- Knobloch, L. K., **Basinger, E. D.**, & Theiss, J. A. (2018). Relational turbulence and perceptions of partner support during reintegration after military deployment. *Journal of Applied Communication Research, 46*, 52-73. doi:10.1080/00909882.2017.1409906
- Knobloch, L. K., **Basinger, E. D.**, Abendschein, B., Wehrman, E. C., Monk, J. K., & McAninch, K. G. (2018). Communication in online forums about the experience and management of relational uncertainty in military life. *Journal of Family Communication, 18*, 13-31. doi:10.1080/15267431.2017.1373355
- Brashers, D., **Basinger, E. D.**, Rintamaki, L. S., Caughlin, J. P., & Para, M. F. (2017). Taking control: The efficacy and durability of a peer-led uncertainty management intervention for people recently diagnosed with HIV. *Health Communication, 32*, 11-21. doi:10.1080/10410236.2015.1089469
- Kam, J. A., **Basinger, E. D.**, & Abendschein, B. (2017). Do adolescent perceptions of their parents' drinking alcohol undermine or enhance what their parents say about alcohol? The interaction between verbal and nonverbal messages about alcohol use. *Communication Research, 44*, 319-347. doi:10.1177/0093650214565922
- Kam, J. A., **Basinger, E. D.**, & Guntzviller, L. M. (2017). Communal coping among Spanish-speaking mother-child dyads engaging in language brokering: A latent class analysis. *Communication Research, 44*, 743-769. doi:10.1177/0093650216684927
- Knobloch, L. K., **Basinger, E. D.**, Wehrman, E. C., Ebata, A. T., & McGlaughlin, P. (2016). Communication of military couples during deployment and reunion: Changes, challenges, benefits, and advice. *Journal of Family Communication, 16*, 160-179. doi:10.1080/15267431.2016.1146723
- Basinger, E. D.**, Wehrman, E. C., & McAninch, K. G. (2016). Grief communication and privacy rules: Examining the communication of individuals bereaved by the death of a family member. *Journal of Family Communication, 16*, 285-302. doi:10.1080/15267431.2016.1182534
[Top five cited paper in *Journal of Family Communication* in 2017]
- Kam, J. A., Figueroa-Caballero, A., & **Basinger, E. D.** (2016). Measuring alcohol-specific communication with friends: Conceptualizing and operationalizing communication as multidimensional. *Health Communication, 31*, 695-706. doi:10.1080/10410236.2014.992580

Kam, J. A., Krieger, J. L., **Basinger, E. D.**, & Figueroa-Caballero, A. (2016). What do high school students say when they talk to their friends about substance use? Exploring the content of substance-use-specific communication with friends. *Health Communication, 31*, 522-535. doi:10.1080/10410236.2014.974132

Basinger, E., Wehrman, E., Delaney, A., & McAninch, K. (2015). A grounded theory of students' long distance coping with a family member's cancer diagnosis and treatment. *Qualitative Health Research, 25*, 1085-1098. doi:10.1177/1049732315576710

Book Chapters

Delaney, A. L., & **Basinger, E. D.** (in press). Depression in romantic relationships: Integrating social constructionist perspectives. In L. Lippert, R. Hall, A. Miller-Ott, & D. C. Davis (Eds.), *Communicating mental health: History, concepts, & perspectives*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

Caughlin, J. P., **Basinger, E. D.**, & Sharabi, L. L. (2016). The connections between communication technologies and relational conflict: A multiple goals and communication interdependence perspective. In J. A. Samp (Ed.), *Communicating interpersonal conflict in close relationships: Contexts, challenges, and opportunities* (pp. 57-72). New York, NY: Routledge.

Basinger, E. D., & Wehrman, E. (2016). "They don't get it, and I don't want to try to explain it to them": Perceptions of support messages for individuals bereaved by the death of a parent or sibling. In T. Socha (Series Ed.) & E. Gilchrist-Petty and S. D. Long (Vol. Ed.), *Lifespan communication: Children, families and aging: Vol.: Contexts of the dark side of communication* (pp. 13-23). New York, NY: Peter Lang.

Caughlin, J. P., & **Basinger, E. D.** (2014). Measuring social interaction. In P. J. Schultz and P. Cobby (Series Eds.) & C. Berger (Vol. Ed.), *Handbooks of communication science: Vol 6: Interpersonal communication* (pp. 103-126). Berlin, Germany: De Gruyter Mouton.

Encyclopedia Entries

Caughlin, J. P., & **Basinger, E. D.** (2016). Measuring interpersonal communication. In C. R. Berger & M. E. Roloff (Eds.), *International Encyclopedia of Interpersonal Communication* (pp. 103-126). Hoboken, NH: Wiley-Blackwell.

Other Scholarly Publications

Caughlin, J. P., & **Basinger, E. D.** (Summer 2015). Completely open and honest communication: Is that really what we want? *NCFR Report Magazine*. Available from <https://www.ncfr.org/ncfr-report/focus/family-focus-effective-communication>

Basinger, E. (2013). Book review: Communication for families in crisis: Theories, research, strategies. *Health Communication, 29*, 321-322. doi:10.1080/10410236.2012.753675

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- Basinger, E. D.** (2019, April). *Consequences and conditions of perceived stigma in the context of type 2 diabetes*. Paper to be presented at the 89th annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Montgomery, AL.
- Basinger, E. D.,** Caughlin, J. P., & Wang, N. (2018, November). *Examining discrepancies between actual and desired communal coping with type 2 diabetes*. Paper presented at the 104th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Health Communication Division, Salt Lake City, UT. **[Top Paper]**
- Knobloch, L. K., & **Basinger, E. D.** (2018, November). *Communication mediators of the link between depressive symptoms and relationship satisfaction among Army soldiers*. Paper presented at the 104th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Basinger, E. D.** (2018, September). *Stress, unit relationships, and mental health among Army soldiers*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Carolinas Communication Association, Charlotte, NC.
- Basinger, E. D.** (2018, July). *Coping with type 2 diabetes: Family cohesion, communal coping, and individual diabetes outcomes*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Association for Relationship Research, Fort Collins, CO.
- Monk, J. K., Abendschein, B., & **Basinger, E. D.** (2018, May). *Qualitative analysis in online forums: Analyzing distress in military relationships as a methodological case example*. Paper presented at the 16th annual Qualitative Methods Conference, Banff, Canada.
- Basinger, E. D.** (2017, November). *Developing and validating a measure of communal coping and testing the communal coping typology in the context of type 2 diabetes*. Paper presented at the 103rd annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Dallas, TX.
- Basinger, E. D.** (2017, November). *Explicating the appraisal dimension of the communal coping model*. Paper presented at the 103rd annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Health Communication Division, Dallas, TX.
- Knobloch, L. K., **Basinger, E. D.,** Abendschein, B., Wehrman, E. C., Monk, J. K., & McAninch, K. G. (2017, November). *Communication in online forums about the experience and management of relational uncertainty in military life*. Paper presented at the 103rd annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Dallas, TX. **[Top Four Paper]**
- Knobloch, L. K., **Basinger, E. D.,** & Theiss, J. A. (2017, November). *Relational turbulence and perceptions of partner support during reintegration after military deployment*. Paper presented at the 103rd annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Dallas, TX.

- Basinger, E. D.**, & Knobloch, L. K. (2016, November). *A grounded theory of online coping by parents of military service members*. Paper presented at the 102nd annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Philadelphia, PA.
- Basinger, E. D.**, & Wehrman, E. C. (2016, November). *Sources of uncertainty for individuals bereaved by the death of a parent or sibling*. Paper presented at the 102nd annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Philadelphia, PA.
- Kam, J. A., **Basinger, E.**, & Guntzviller, L. (2016, November). *Communal coping among Spanish-speaking mother-child dyads engaging in language brokering: A latent class analysis*. Paper presented at the 102nd annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Philadelphia, PA.
- Basinger, E.**, Wehrman, E. C., & McAninch, K. G. (2015, November). *Grief communication and privacy rules: Examining the communication of individuals bereaved by the death of a family member*. Paper presented at the 101st annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- Basinger, E.**, Delaney, A., & Weber, K. (2015, November). *Mechanisms of relational turbulence and the provision of social support*. Paper presented at the 101st annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- Brashers, D., Rintamaki, L., **Basinger, E.**, Caughlin, J. P., & Neidig, J. (2015, November). *Taking control: The efficacy and durability of a peer-led uncertainty management intervention for people newly infected with HIV*. Paper presented at the 101st annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Health Communication Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- Basinger, E. D.**, & Wehrman, E. (2015, June). *"They don't get it, and I don't want to try to explain it to them": Perceptions of support messages for individuals bereaved by the death of a parent or sibling*. Paper presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Mini-Conference, New Brunswick, NJ.
- Knobloch, L. K., Ebata, A. T., **Basinger, E. D.**, Wehrman, E., & McGlaughlin, P. C. (2015, June). *Communication of military couples reunited following deployment: Changes, challenges, benefits, and advice*. Paper presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Mini-Conference, New Brunswick, NJ.
- Kam, J. A., Figueroa-Caballero, A. A., & **Basinger, E. D.** (2015, May). *Measuring alcohol-specific communication with friends: Conceptualizing and operationalizing communication as multidimensional*. Paper presented at the 65th annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, San Juan, Puerto Rico. **[Top Four Paper]**
- Basinger, E.**, Wehrman, E. C., Delaney, A., & McAninch, K. (2014, November). *A grounded theory of students' long distance coping with a family member's cancer*. Paper presented at the 100th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Family Communication Division, Chicago, IL.

- Kam, J. A., **Basinger, E. D.**, & Abendschein, B. (2014, November). *Does seeing parents drink alcohol undermine or enhance what they say about alcohol? The interaction between verbal and nonverbal messages about alcohol use.* Paper presented at the 100th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Health Communication Division, Chicago, IL.
- Caughlin, J., **Basinger, E.**, & Sharabi, L. (2014, July). *The connections between communication technologies and relational conflict.* Paper presented at the 2014 meeting of the International Association of Relationship Research, Melbourne, Australia.
- Basinger, E.** (2014, April). *Coping in online settings: The role of emotion across bereavement experiences.* Panel presentation at the 2014 annual meeting of the Central States Communication Association, Interpersonal and Small Group Communication Interest Group, Minneapolis, MN.
- Basinger, E.**, & Pusateri, K. B. (2014, March). *Teaching research ethics to undergraduate research assistants: A practical guide for tailoring RCR instruction to the constraints of the audience.* Paper presented at the 15th annual Communication and Social Action Conference, Mount Pleasant, MI. **[Top Student Paper]**
- List, M., Pusateri, K. B., & **Basinger, E.** (2014, February-March). *Compromised autonomy and research misconduct in graduate students.* Paper presented at the 23rd annual meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Jacksonville, FL.
- Basinger, E.** (2013, November). *Survivor's guilt: Grief and coping responses of accidental killers.* Paper presented at 99th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Health Communication Division, Washington D.C.
- Basinger, E.** (2013, October). *Examining suicide bereavement and the grief processes of accidental killers in online forums.* Paper presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Mini-Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Basinger, E.**, & Snick, A. (2012, November). *Effects of family cohesion in adulthood: An exploration of the relationship between enmeshment/ disengagement and joint decision-making.* Paper presented at the 98th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Family Communication Division, Orlando, FL.
- Basinger, E.**, & Weber, K. M. (2011, November). *Communication and relationship circumstances that encourage the provision of social support.* Paper presented at the 97th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, New Orleans, LA.
- Basinger, E.**, Coles, V., & Monahan, J. (2011, November). *The effects of maternal dysfunction on adult daughters' conflict management: A relationship mediated by family cohesion.* Paper presented at the 97th annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Family Communication Division, New Orleans, LA.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Research Awards

- **Top Paper Award** (Basinger, Caughlin, & Wang), National Communication Association, Health Communication Division, 2018
- **Jesse Delia Award for Outstanding Article** (Basinger, Wehrman, & McAninch, 2016), Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2017
- **Top Four Paper Award** (Knobloch, Basinger, Abendschein, Wehrman, Monk, & McAninch), National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, 2017
- **Jesse Delia Award for Outstanding Article** (Basinger, Wehrman, Delaney, & McAninch, 2015), Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2015
- **Top Four Paper Award** (Kam, Figueroa-Caballero, & Basinger), International Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division, 2015
- **Top Student Paper** (Basinger & Pusateri), Communication and Social Action Conference, Central Michigan University, 2014

Teaching Awards

- **Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching for Graduate Teaching Assistants**, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2015
- **Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher in the Department of Communication**, Communication Leaders (Undergraduate Student Association), University of Illinois, 2015
- **Marie Hochmuth Nichols Award for Outstanding Veteran Teaching Assistant**, Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2014
- **List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students**, Center for Teaching Excellence, University of Illinois, Fall 2011, Spring/Summer/Fall 2012, Spring/Fall 2013, Spring/Fall 2014, Spring/Fall 2015, Spring/Summer 2016

Other Honors and Awards

- **Ruth S. and Charles H. Bowman Award for Outstanding Graduate Student**, Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2015
- **NCA Doctoral Honors Seminar Participant**, University of Missouri, 2015
- **Stafford L. Thomas Award for Departmental Service**, Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2013
- **Presidential Management Fellows (PMF) Program Finalist**, United States Office of Personnel Management, 2011

RESEARCH FUNDING AND SUPPORT

Faculty Research Grant (\$5,818), 2017-2019

Research and Economic Development, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Marion Morse Wood Fellowship in Interpersonal Communication (\$12,000), 2015
Graduate College, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Dissertation Completion Fellowship (\$3,500), 2015
Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Conference Travel Grant (\$250), 2015
Graduate College, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Ruth Anne Clark Scholarship (\$1,000 toward dissertation research expenses), 2014
Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Department of Communication First-year Fellowship (\$3000), 2011
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Elizabeth Winter Young Fellowship (\$3000), 2011
Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Friends of UIUC Communication Department Travel Award
2011 (\$300), 2013 (\$800), 2014 (\$800), 2015 (\$400)
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

TEACHING

University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Department of Communication Studies
COMM 4115: Coping and Health Communication (undergraduate seminar)
COMM 6000: Interpersonal Processes in Health Contexts (graduate seminar)
COMM 2100: Introduction to Communication Theory (undergraduate large lecture)
COMM 6100: Communication Research Methods (graduate seminar)
LBST 2214: Interpersonal Relationship and Health (online general education course)

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Department of Communication
CMN 230: Introduction to Interpersonal Communication
CMN 336: Family Communication
CMN 211: Business Communication
CMN 111: Oral and Written Communication
CMN 102: Introduction to Communication Theory & Research

University of Georgia, Department of Communication
SPCM 1500: Introduction to Interpersonal Communication
SPCM 1010: Communication in Human Society
SPCM 2300: Business and Professional Communication

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Reintegration Difficulty of Military Couples Following Deployment (Project Leader)

2014-2016

U.S Department of Defense Military Operational Medicine Research Program

Award No. W81XWH-14-2-0131

Principal Investigator: Leanne Knobloch, Ph.D.

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Health Literacy on Wheels (Research Assistant)

Fall 2010

Principal Investigators: Vicki Freimuth, Ph.D., and Don Rubin, Ph.D.

Center for Health and Risk Communication, University of Georgia

SERVICE

College and Department

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Council, UNCC, 2017-2019

Faculty Advisory Board, Department of Communication Studies, UNCC, 2017-2018, 2018-2019

Graduate Admissions Committee, UNCC, 2016-2017

University Strategic Plan Committee, UNCC, 2016

Review Panel for the Focal Point Initiative, Graduate College, University of Illinois, 2015

Prospective Student Welcome Weekend Panelist, "Teaching," University of Illinois, 2015

Panelist, "Avoiding Burnout and Navigating Graduate School," University of Illinois, 2014

Ph.D. Career Symposium Panel Chair, University of Illinois, 2013

Graduate Student Association President, University of Illinois, 2012-2013

Symposium Committee, "Careers for PhDs in Communication," University of Illinois, 2012-2013

Graduate Forum Philanthropy Committee Chair, University of Georgia, 2010-2011

Discipline

Invited Reviewer for Scholarly Journals

- *Health Communication*
- *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*
- *Qualitative Health Research*
- *Communication Reports*
- *Communication Research*
- *Communication Methods and Measures*
- *Journal of Family Communication*

Reviewer for Conference Submissions

- National Communication Association, Interpersonal Communication Division
- National Communication Association, Health Communication Division
- National Communication Association, Research in Progress Roundtables

Chair for Panel Presentations at NCA

- Applied Communication Division, 2017
- Health Communication Division, 2016
- Interpersonal Communication Division, 2011

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Communication Association
National Communication Association
International Association for Relationship Research
National Council on Family Relations
Southern States Communication Association

MENTORING

Advising (UNC Charlotte)

Ashleigh Handchen (Communication Studies M.A., in progress)
Samantha Maine (Communication Studies M.A., in progress)
Hayley Overman (Communication Studies M.A., in progress)
Jordan Whitley (Communication Studies M.A., in progress)
Faith Klatt (Communication Studies, M. A., in progress)

Service on Student Committees (UNC Charlotte)

Elizabeth Ballard (Communication Studies M.A., Comprehensive Exams Committee)
Desiree Bataba (Communication Studies M.A., Comprehensive Exams Committee)
Olivia Riffle (Health Psychology PhD, Empirical Comps Committee, Dissertation Committee)
Ana Orejuela (Health Psychology PhD, Dissertation Committee)
Nadia Jafari (Health Psychology PhD, Dissertation Committee)

Mentoring through Research and Practice Program, 2013-2016

Undergraduate Student Mentor in Communication Research (8 students)
Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Internship in Teaching Communication Program, Spring 2013

Undergraduate Student Mentor in Teaching
Department of Communication, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Graduate Student Mentor, 2012-2013/2014-2015/2015-2016

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Graduate Student Association

CERTIFICATIONS

Teaching the Responsible Conduct of Research, 2013
National Center for Professional and Research Ethics