

ERIN KAY CHAMBERS

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EDUCATION

Master of Arts in English (degree in progress)

University of Nebraska–Lincoln

Emphases in queer theory and digital humanities. Awarded John Robinson Prize for Scholarly Papers for “Hope Against Hope: Queer Negativity, Possibility, and Hope as Phenomena,” 2022.

Graduate Certificate in Digital Humanities

University of Nebraska–Lincoln

Digital Humanities is an interdisciplinary academic field that brings digital technology to bear on the study of the human record.

Coursework included digital archives, public humanities, grant writing, web development, project management, editorial theory, literary transcription and encoding, and digital editions.

Non-Degree Coursework

University of Nebraska–Lincoln & St. Olaf College

Graduate courses in community forestry, science communication, arboriculture, and hydroponics; undergraduate courses in plant science, soil science, dendrology, anthropology, and (at St. Olaf) Ancient Greek.

Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics

University of Minnesota–Twin Cities

Graduated Summa Cum Laude, with minors in Design Theory and

Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL). Received National Merit Scholarship, 2006, U of M Presidential Scholarship, 2006, and Undergraduate Research Opportunities Grant, 2009-10.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Instructional Technology and Media Specialist

Department of English, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

In my full-time position in the Department of English, I collaborate with over 100 faculty, lecturers, and graduate teaching assistants. I manage the department's website, social media, digital signage, listservs, shared file storage, and numerous other resources with a digital component. As part of those duties, I design a wide variety of materials—from posters to webpages to print brochures—to promote the work of the department. In my instructional technologist role, I provide workshops and learning opportunities for members of our department, as well as one-on-one consultation and training.

In addition to my department-related work, I am an active member of the UNL Web Developer Network (WDN). I was elected to the WDN Shared Governance Board at its founding in 2016, and was re-elected for a second two-year term in 2018-2019. The Shared Governance Board administers and guides the development of the university's web framework, terms of use, style guide, and public information systems. Its mission is to improve user experience for university site visitors, managers, and developers by soliciting user feedback, encouraging good stewardship of university assets, and fostering an environment of respect, collaboration, and outreach.

Graphic Design / Client Services Specialist

CTB Financial Services, Ltd.

My role at CTB Financial Services, Ltd. began as part of our team of Client Service associates. I began designing print materials for CTB

in early 2012, and when my husband's career moved us away from their home office in Minneapolis, they continued to employ me as a webmaster and graphic designer both remotely and in person. During my time with CTB, I assisted with our transition to a new website, managed the transition from one internal Client Resource Management system to another, and provided relevant training to our advisers and staff.

World Languages Center Assistant

St. Olaf College

The World Languages Center at St. Olaf College supports the college's language departments with multimedia projects, web conferencing, audio and visual recording, and other technology assistance and consulting. During my time in the WLC, I supervised 15-18 student workers while serving as a faculty liaison, classroom technologist, database manager, and webmaster.

Multimedia Instructional Technologist

St. Olaf College

During the summer of 2013, I lent my skills and expertise to the St. Olaf IT department as interim Multimedia Instructional Technologist. I worked closely with faculty members from all disciplines on their research and digital humanities projects, created websites and web interfaces for those projects, and lead summer workshops and training sessions.

ACTIVITIES

Community Forestry Advisory Board, Lincoln, NE

Vice President, General Board Member, and Event Volunteer

Vice President, 2022-2023

Policy committee member, 2021-2022

Events committee member, 2018-2020 and 2022 to the present

Community Crops

Volunteer and Community Gardener

April 2018 to the present

Nebraska Science Ambassadors Program

Graduate Student Volunteer

Spring 2022

University of Nebraska Web Developer Network

Shared Governance Board member

January 2014 to December 2015, and January 2018 to December 2019

Northfield Community Garden

Volunteer and Community Gardener

April to October 2013

Northfield Historical Society

Museum Exhibit Committee Member

April 2012 to May 2014

Minnesota Literacy Council

Adult ESL Teaching Assistant, Pre-Beginning classes

September 2008 to May 2009