

*Curriculum Vitae*

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## **Education**

**University of Kentucky**, Lexington, Kentucky, 2015

Ph.D., Mass Communication

Dissertation: *Student Press Law: Past, Present, and Future*

**University of Kentucky**, Lexington, Kentucky, 2005

M.A., English Language and Linguistics

**Asbury University**, Wilmore, Kentucky, 1999

B.A., Media Communications

## **Full-Time Academic Positions**

**The University of Tampa**, Tampa, Florida

Assistant Professor of Journalism, Fall 2015 – Present

*Courses taught:*

- JOU 101: Introduction to Journalism
- JOU 221: Multimedia Storytelling
- JOU 273: Student Newspaper Practicum
- JOU 294: Special Topics in Journalism
- JOU 304: Multimedia Journalism II
- JOU 499: Journalism Colloquium/Portfolio
- AWR 101: Writing and Inquiry
- AWR 201: Writing and Research
- COM 224: Mass Media and Society
- COM 225: Media Writing
- COM 236: UTTV Practicum
- COM 283: Principles of Advertising
- COM 284: Principles of Public Relations
- COM 384: Writing for Public Relations

**Asbury University**, Wilmore, Kentucky

Assistant Professor of Journalism, Fall 2007 – Spring 2015

*Courses taught:*

- JOU 210: Foundations of Journalism
- JOU 307: Editing, Publishing, and Design

- JOU 311: Editing and Staff Development
- JOU 333: Advanced Newsgathering
- JOU 343: Photo and Video Journalism
- JOU 393: Blogging and Social Media

### **Academic Peer-Reviewed Publications**

Wheeler, David R. "Don't Press the Panic Button Yet: An Analysis of Federal Student Press Law Cases at the University Level." *College Media Review*, vol. 54, no. 1, 2017, pp. 4–15.

### **National Mainstream Media Publications**

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### **Awards and Honors**

#### **Amicus Brief One Step Below U.S. Supreme Court, 2019**

- My *Atlantic* article "The Plot Against Student Newspapers," was included in an amicus brief before the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco, just one step below the Supreme Court. In a victory for student press rights, the Ninth Circuit ruled in *Koala v. Khosla* that a student newspaper's First Amendment rights were violated when its funding was revoked by a university. My article is now part of the historical record associated with that successful case.

#### **Author Page at Pew Research Center, 2019**

- The Pew Research Center dedicates a standalone author page to me on the "Journalism and Media" section of its website. The page, titled "David R. Wheeler," features links to two of my articles: my 2019 *Newsweek* article "Can Student Journalists Teach the Media a Lesson About Neutrality?" and my 2015 *Atlantic* article "The Plot Against Student Newspapers: Can College Journalism Survive Public Relations?"

#### **UT Board of Fellows Grant, 2019**

- Awarded \$3,000 for a fall 2019 series of panel discussions on the future of free speech. Guest speakers included First Amendment attorneys, law professors, university administrators, activists, and students. Hundreds of students, faculty, staff, and community members attended the three sessions.

**Cited in *International Encyclopedia of Journalism Studies*, 2019**

- My *Atlantic* article “The Plot Against Student Newspapers” is cited in *The International Encyclopedia of Journalism Studies*, published in May 2019 by Wiley Blackwell-ICA International Encyclopedias of Communication, under the entry “College and University Student Media.”

**Hosokawa Endowed Journalism Lectureship, 2018**

- In 2018, I was invited to deliver the Hosokawa Distinguished Journalism Lecture at Whitman College in Washington State. My lecture, attended by more than 100 people, was titled “Is the First Amendment the New Second Amendment? Calling Hate Speech Free Speech and Getting Away With It.” Other Hosokawa lecturers have included Pulitzer Prize winners and editors at *The New York Times* and *The Los Angeles Times*.

**Interview with Presidential Candidate Andrew Yang, 2018**

- The success of my *Atlantic* and CNN articles on universal basic income led an editor at HuffPost to ask if I would be interested in signing a freelance contract to write an article about presidential candidate Andrew Yang. My subsequent interview with Yang was published by HuffPost on May 1, 2018. In addition to publishing the article, HuffPost produced an accompanying video, which contained several quotes from my article. According to ComScore, Huffpost draws 68 million unique visitors to its site each month.

**Cited in Book Published by Yale University Press, 2017**

- My *Atlantic* article “Do Students Still Have Free Speech in School?” is citation No. 32 in the 2017 Yale University Press book *Free Speech on Campus* by law professors Erwin Chemerinsky and Howard Gillman.

**Required Reading in Harvard Syllabus, 2015**

- My *Atlantic* article “Do Students Still Have Free Speech in School?” is required reading for the class “Between First and Fourth: Privacy and Speech on the Frontier of Technology” at Harvard’s Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society. Along with articles from *Time*, Reuters, and *Stanford Law Review*, my article is included in week five’s readings: “Free Speech on the Internet.”

### **Author Page at Harvard's Nieman Lab, 2014**

- Harvard's Nieman Lab dedicates a standalone author page to me on the section of its website called "What We're Reading." The page features a link to my 2014 *Atlantic* article "The Plot Against Student Newspapers: Can College Journalism Survive Public Relations?"

### **National Radio Program Interviews**

#### **BBC Business Matters, July 17, 2018**

- My CNN article "Stop Worshipping Guys Like Elon Musk" led to a guest segment on BBC Business Matters, a program on the BBC World Service, a broadcaster that draws 319 million weekly listeners worldwide. Longtime BBC correspondent Roger Hearing conducted a five-minute interview with me about the advantages and disadvantages of having a CEO who is indistinguishable from his or her company.

#### **WBEZ Chicago Morning Shift, March 25, 2016**

- My *Atlantic* article "The LGBT Politics of Christian Colleges" led to an interview on Morning Shift, WBEZ Chicago's weekday morning show.

#### **BBC Newsday, September 15, 2014**

- After my opinion piece on the Scottish referendum ran on the home page of CNN, the BBC interviewed me for an American perspective on the referendum in a three-minute segment on Newsday, one of the BBC's most popular radio shows with a weekly audience of more than 5 million listeners.

#### ***Q* on CBC/NPR, February 1, 2012**

- After *The Atlantic* published my article "Signing Off: The Slow Death of the Signature in a PIN-Code World," I was interviewed for a 12-minute segment on the CBC's flagship morning radio program *Q*, which is heard by millions of people in Canada and millions more on NPR stations across the United States. Other guests have included Al Gore, Paul McCartney, and Oliver Stone.