

Andrew Spencer
Curriculum Vitae

Graduate Assistant Teaching
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Department of Literature and Languages
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Education

M.A. in English
Texas A&M University-Commerce; Commerce, Texas
Expected Completion: August 2014

B.A. in English
LeTourneau University, Longview, Texas
Summa Cum Laude
GPA: 3.8
May, 2008

TESOL/TESL/TEFL Certificate
Oxford Seminars
November, 2009

Scholarly and Teaching Interests

Journalism, Composition, Critical Pedagogy, Narrative Theory, Contemporary Multi-Ethnic American Literature, Jung and Eastern Philosophy in American Literature and Children's Literature

Editing Positions

Editor-in-Chief of A&M-Commerce's literary journal *The Mayo Review* (July 2013-July 2014)
Recruited and trained staff, solicited submissions, developed publishing schedule, communicated with layout editor, edited final product.

Managing Editor of LeTourneau University's student newspaper *The YellowJacket* (August 2006-May 2008)

Classes Taught

ENG 100 Introduction to College Reading and Writing (Fall 2012 and Spring 2013) Taught basic academic writing to Korean exchange students with limited English comprehension.

ENG 1301 US-College Reading and Writing (Fall 2013)

ENG 1302 US-Written Argument and Research (Spring 2014)

Tutoring Positions

Writing Center Tutor, Department of Literature and Languages
Texas A&M University Commerce; Commerce, Texas
August 2012-May 2013

Volunteer ESL Tutor, St. James Immigrant Assistance
St. James Catholic Church, Seattle, WA
June 2009-December 2009

Basic Writing Tutor, Department of English
LeTourneau University, Longview, Texas
January 2008-May 2008

Published Book

Murder in Jefferson: The 1868 Stockade Case, 23 House Publishers, 2012.
Co-written with Curtis Hawthorne. Presents original research on a racially charged murder and military trial which involved almost one hundred suspects and resulted in the establishment of military law in the reconstruction-era river port of Jefferson, TX.

Published Poetry

“Eve” published in *2 Bridges Review*, Issue 3, 2013.

“Judgment Day Finally Reaches the Deep South” published in *Black&White*, Fall, 2012.

“August” published in Volume 8, *Chaffey Review*, Fall, 2012.

“February” published in Volume 8, *Chaffey Review*, Fall, 2012.

“The Tree” published in *Coe Review*, Spring 2012.

“Grabbed” published in *New Plains Review*, Spring, 2012.

“Retreat” published in *Cartographer*, Fall, 2011.

“Plunge” published in *Cartographer*, Fall, 2011.

Conference Presentations

“Schrödinger’s Cat and the mind of the Storyworld.” MELUS: Multi Ethnic Literature in the United States, Oklahoma City, OK, March 6-9, 2014.

“The Brief and Wondrous Enlightenment of Oscar Tao: The *Tao Te Ching* and Junot Diaz’s Oscar Wao as Taoist Pilgrim.” 70th Annual South Central MLA Conference, New Orleans, LA, October 3-5, 2013.

“Murder in Jefferson: The 1868 Stockade Case.” East Texas Historical Association, Spring Meeting 2013, Galveston, TX, February 23, 2013.

“Takers and Leavers: The Enactment of Anthropocentrism as Dystopia in Terrence Malik’s *Tree of Life*.” Southwest/Texas Popular Culture and American Culture Association Conference, Albuquerque, NM, February 15, 2013.

“Too Much Lucidity: Dostoevsky’s Theme of Perception in Ralph Ellison’s *Invisible Man*.” Texas A&M University Pathways Student Research Symposium, Galveston, TX, November 9, 2012.

Academic Affiliations

Sigma Tau Delta, National English Honor Society

Service and Academic Activity

Editor-in-Chief *Mayo Review* (Fall 2013-Spring 2014)

Managing Editor *Mayo Review* (Spring 2014-Present)

Evaluator for A&M Commerce Celebration of Student Writing (Spring 2013)

Managing Editor *The YellowJacket* student newspaper (Fall 2005-Spring 2007)
