

Curriculum Vitae
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I am an Associate Professor in the department of Communication at Indiana University-Purdue University at Columbus. I received my Ph.D. in Communication from Purdue University. Prior to seeking that degree, I studied computer science and worked at IBM for 12 years as a programmer and project manager. I specialize in media studies and new media; I am interested in how these technologies are socially constructed, and how they influence and change communication practices in both organizations and everyday life. My primary research interests are communication and media law, technology adoption, and recently, human trafficking. I particularly enjoy teaching and am passionate about media literacy education and making students good digital citizens. My primary service to the university has been in assessment, both programs and general education courses.

Education

Ph.D. Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

Brian Lamb School of Communication, August 2011

Major area: Media, Technology and Society

Minor areas: Organizational Communication, Research Methods

Advisor: S. Connaughton Committee Members: S. Feld, S. Matei, S. Wilson

Dissertation: Assimilation to Virtual Work: A Mixed-Methods Case
Study of Organizational Change

G.P.A.: 4.00 on a 4.00 scale

M.S. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Computer and Information Science, 1998

Advisor: Jaideep Srivastava

G.P.A.: 3.847 on a 4.00 scale, *Summa Cum Laude*

B.S. Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan

Computer Science, 1993

G.P.A.: 3.98 on a 4.00 scale, *Summa Cum Laude*

B.S. Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan

Scientific and Technical Communication, 1993

G.P.A.: 3.98 on a 4.00 scale, *Summa Cum Laude*

Academic Experience

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| July 2022-Present | Associate Professor, Communication Indiana University-Purdue University Columbus (IUPUC) |
| Aug 2016-May 2022 | Assistant Professor, Communication Indiana University-Purdue University Columbus (IUPUC) |
| Aug 2012-May 2016 | Assistant Professor, Communication Studies University of Wisconsin-La Crosse |
| Jan 2015-present | Adjunct Instructor, Satish & Yasmin Gupta College of Business University of Dallas (spring semesters) |
| Aug 2011-Apr 2102 | Visiting Instructor, Brian Lamb School of Communication, Purdue University |
| Aug 2000-Dec 2001 | Adjunct Faculty, Graduate Programs in Software Engineering |

Teaching Experience

Assistant/Associate Professor: IUPUC, Columbus, Indiana

Division of Liberal Arts, Communication Program (August 2016 – present)

Public Speaking (*COM-R110*) – *in-person and online*

Mass Media and Contemporary Society (*COM-M150*) - *online*

Business and Professional Communication (*COM-C223*)

Human Communication and the Internet (*COM-C316*)

Introduction to Communication Research (*COM-G310*)

Advanced Topics in Small Group Research (*COM-328*)

Independent Studies (*COM-G300*) (a) Visual Literacy (b) Algorithms and Society

Assistant Professor: University of Wisconsin: La Crosse, WI

Department of Communication Studies (August 2012 – May 2016)

Communicating Effectively (*CST110*)

Contemporary Media in Everyday Life (*CST271*)

Introduction to Communication Theory (*CST301*)

Adjunct Instructor, University of Dallas: Irving, TX

Satish & Yasmin Gupta College of Business (Spring Semesters, 2015, 2016, 2017)

Business Communication (*BUAD 6330*)

Visiting Instructor: Purdue University: West Lafayette, IN

Brian Lamb School of Communication (August 2011 – May 2012)

Interviewing: Principles and Practices (*COM 325*)

Introduction to Communication Theory (*COM 102*)

Intercultural Communication (*COM 303*)

Scholarship

Publications

- Sarapin, S. H., Ledet, R., & Morris, P. L. (R&R). Confederate iconography communicating white supremacy: Human costs and solutions, *Studies in Social Justice*.
- Morris, P. L. (2022). Teaching Algorithmic Literacy within a Media Literacy Program. *The Journal of Media Literacy- Human AI Issue*, <https://ic4ml.org/journal-of-media-literacy/issues/human-ai/>.
- Sarapin, S. H. & Morris, P. L. (2022). Communicable: Source credibility in countering the disruption of healthcare norms in New York's isolated Orthodox Jewish enclaves. *Journal of Communication and Religion*, 45(2), 48-66.
- Morris, P.L. & Sarapin, S.H. (2022). On the dole for the young homeless soul: Religious Discrimination by publicly funded adoption services. In J. Asenas & K. Johnson (Eds), *Equal Protection v. Religious Freedom: Clashing American Rights*. From the series *Frontiers in Political Communication* (vol. 47), Peter Lang Publishing.
- Morris, P. L. & Desmond, S. A. (2022). Mis-framing of sex trafficking in news reports: Crimes, offenders, and victims. In S. A. White a & C. Crawford (Eds.), *Paths to the Prevention and Detection of Human Trafficking* (pp. 64-84). IGI Global.
- Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (2021) *Holy Hype: A guide to Religious Fervor in the Advertising of Goods and the Good News*. Lexington Books.
- Morris, P.L., & Sarapin, S. H. (2020). You can't block me: When social media spaces are public forums. *First Amendment Studies* 54(1), 52-70.
- Morris, P.L., & Sarapin, S. H. (2020). Mobile phones in the classroom: Policies and potential pedagogy. *Journal for Media Literacy Education* 12(1), 57-69.
- Morris, P.L. & Sarapin, S. H. (2019). Justifiable bromide: Exaggeration in cartoons reflects public perceptions of the jury as a big joke. *Journal of Criminal Justice and Popular Culture*, 19(1), 37-61.
- Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (August, 2018). Entertaining free expression on public sidewalks: Are city ordinances kicking musical muses to the curb? *First Amendment Studies*, 52(1-2), 1-22.
- Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (December 2017). Executive censorship of science: Muzzling federal researchers, thwarting the public's right to know, and impairing trust in government. *Communication and Law Review*, 17(1). <http://www.commlawreview.org/>
- Sarapin, S. H., Morris, P.L., & Vo, N. (2017). The biggest lie on the Web: Coming to terms with the failure to read through the lens of the First Amendment. *First Amendment Studies*, 51(2).
- Niedzwiecki, C.S. & Morris, P.L. (2017). Reality television. In M. Allen (Ed.). *SAGE Encyclopedia of Communication Research Methods*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

- Morris, P.L. (2017). Triangulation. In M. Allen (Ed.). *SAGE Encyclopedia of Communication Research Methods*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Matei, S.A., Bruno, R., & Morris, P.L. (2015). Visible Effort: Visualizing and measuring group structuration through social entropy. In S.A. Matei & M. Russell (Eds.) *Transparency in social media: Tools, methods and algorithms for mediating online interactions (Computational social sciences)*. New York: Springer Publishing House.
- Sarapin, S. H., & Morris, P. L. (2015). Faculty and Facebook friending: Instructor-student online social communication from the professor's perspective. *The Internet and Higher Education*, 27, 14-23.
- Morris, P. L. & Niedzwiecki, C. S. (2014). Odd or Ordinary: The Influence of Reality TV on Perceptions of Family. In A. F. Slade, A. J. Narro, & B. P. Buchanan (Eds.) *Reality television: Oddities of culture*. Lexington Books.
- Sarapin, S. H., & Morris, P.L. (2014). When "Like"-minded people click: Facebook interaction conventions, the meaning of "speech" online, and *Bland v. Roberts*. *First Amendment Studies*, 48(2), 131-157.
- Morris, P. L. & Connaughton, S. L. (2013). Managing effectively in virtual work contexts: An empirical study. In E. Nikoi & K. Boateng (Eds.) *Collaborative communication processes and decision making in organizations*. Hershey, PA: IGI Global.
- Haas, E. J., Mattson, M., Jones, C., & Morris, P. L. (2013). Newspaper coverage of motorcycle accidents: A content analysis from a media framing perspective with implications for practice. *International Journal of Motorcycle Studies*, 9(2). Retrieved from http://ijms.nova.edu/Fall2013/IJMS_Artcl.Haasetal.html.
- Morris, P. L. (2012). Listening and Legos. *International Journal of Listening*, 26(2), 94-97.
- Morris, P. L. (2011). Glimpses of community on the Web. In S. A. Matei and B. C. Britt (Eds.), *Virtual sociability: From community to communitas* (pp. 25-38). West Lafayette, IN: Ideagora.

Grants

- Indiana University Digital Gardener Faculty Fellow Program (August 2022). \$1500 to develop a video production lab at IUPUC (with K. Wills, K. Jones and S. Jameson).
- Center for Advancing Teaching and Learning (Aug 2014-May 2015): University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (with P. Turner). \$3000 for development of online media literacy course.
- National Association of Media Literacy Education and Pivot Media (January-March, 2014). \$1000 for "Eyes Wide Open: This is Media Screening and Panel".
- College of Liberal Studies Small Grant (February 2013-July 2013): University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (with C. Niedzwiecki) \$3500. For "Odd or Ordinary: The Influence of Reality TV on Perceptions of Family" research project.

College of Liberal Studies Small Grant (February 2013-July 2013): University of Wisconsin-La Crosse \$3000. For “Exploring Media Literacy Education and Research”. Included expenses to attend the National Association for Media Literacy Education conference.

Research contract (February 2011-February 2012, \$10,000): part of a larger (\$50,000) from the Rehabilitation Technical Assistance Center on VR Program Management (RTAC), Institute for Community Inclusion, University of Massachusetts Boston: *Improving VR program management: Virtual supervision*. Indiana Vocational Rehabilitation is administering the grant. I am providing research consulting.

Conference Presentations

Morris, P.L. (2021) Do You See What I See: Analyzing Images of Social Justice, A Visual Literacy Lesson. National Association for Media Literacy Education Conference, (Virtual). July, 2021.

Morris, P. L., & Sarapin, S.H. (2020) Religious and sex discrimination by sectarian adoption services. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference (Virtual).

Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (2020) Blasphemy or godliness in communication at the CROSSroads? Exploration of religious imagery in sports advertising targeting African Americans. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference (Virtual).

Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (2020) Communicable: Reversing the effects of virulent anti-vax propaganda that disrupts healthcare norms in New York’s isolated Orthodox Jewish enclaves. Paper presented at the Religious Communication Association Conference (Virtual).

Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (April 2020) Communicable: Reversing the effects of virulent anti-vax propaganda that disrupts healthcare norms in New York’s isolated Orthodox Jewish enclaves. Paper accepted for Southern States Communication Association Conference, Frisco, Texas. [Not delivered due to cancellation for coronavirus.] ***Top-Paper Panel, Intercultural Division**

Sarapin, S. H., Hoppin, S., Morris, P.L. Zulli, D., Weimer, E. & Lusvardi, A. (May 2020). Compromising positions: One word’s implications for Congressional performance and public opinion of Congress. Accepted for International Communication Association Conference, Gold Coast, Australia [Not delivered due to cancellation for coronavirus.].

Morris, P.L. (2019). Perjury in a post-truth era: Public perceptions of lying under oath and the influences of media, religiosity, and political views. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD. ***Top Paper, Communication and Law Division**

Morris, P.L. (2019). Mobile Phones in the Classroom: Policies and Potential Pedagogy. Presented at the National Association for Media Literacy Education Conference, Washington, D.C.

Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (2018). Justifiable bromide? Exaggeration at play in cartoons reflects public perceptions of the jury as a big joke. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Salt Lake City, UT. ***Top Paper, Communication and Law Division**

- Morris, P.L. (2018). Entertaining free expression on public sidewalks: Are city ordinances kicking musical muses to the curb? Paper presented at the Southern States Communication Association Annual Conference, Nashville, TN. ***Top Paper Award, Competitive Papers in Free Speech Division**
- Sarapin, S.H. & Morris, P.L. (2017). Executive censorship of science: Muzzling federal researchers, thwarting the public's right to know, and impairing trust in government. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Dallas, TX. ***Top-Three Paper, Communication and Law Division**
- Sarapin, S. H., Morris, P.L., George, B., Hamburg, J., & Vo, N. (2016). Real people don't read standard form contracts: Contract law's duty to read and predicting users' intentions to read online clickthrough agreements. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA. ***Top-Four Paper, Communication and Law Division**
- Sarapin, S. H., Morris, P.L., & Vo, N. (2016). The biggest lie on the Web: Coming to terms with the forfeiture of the First-Amendment right to petition in click-through agreements. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA. ***Top-Four Paper, Freedom of Expression Division**
- Sarapin, S. H., & Morris, P.L. (2016). Roughhousing and rough language in American fraternities and locker rooms: Does "doing masculinity" in all-male groups on campus correlate with rape-myth acceptance? Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Sarapin, S. H. & Morris, P. L. (2015, November). An unten[ur]able situation? Tenure-status effects on professors' fears of and motivations for communicating socially with students on Facebook. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Morris, P. L. (2015, June). Connecting young citizen journalists using CNNs iReport in the classroom. Paper presented at the National Association for Media Literacy Education: Celebrating Connectivity Across Cultures Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Hamilton, S. & Morris, P. L. (2014, January). Using student-centered learning to teach basic source evaluation: A collaboration between Communication Studies and Murphy Library. Poster presented at the UW-L Center for Advanced Teaching and Learning Winter Teaching Conference, La Crosse, Wisconsin.
- Morris, P. L. & Sarapin, S. H. (2013, November). When "Like"-minded people click: Facebook communication conventions, social semantics, and the chilling of speech. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.
- Yale, R., Morris, P. L. & Russell, B. T. (2013, November). Relationship between argument strength, juror verdicts, and verdict confidence: A test of the perceived argument strength scale. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Morris, P. L. & Sarapin, S. H. (2013, July). Faculty and Facebook friending: Instructor-student online social communication from the professor's perspective. Paper presented at the Alabama Communication Association Conference, Montevallo, Alabama.

Morris, P. L. (2013, July). Real or fake, good or bad? Embracing the reality television craze to teach media literacy lessons. Presented at the National Association for Media Literacy Education: Intersections: Teaching and Learning Across Media Conference, Torrence, California.

Academic Service

Campus Assessment Coordinator, IUPUC, Jan 2022-present

Editor, *Communication Law Review*, Jan 2022- present

Member, IUPUI Faculty Council (Aug 2021 – May 2023)

Member, Indiana Anti-Demand Working Group (ICESAHT) (January 2020 – present)

Organizer, Suffragette Car Parade, IUPUC Constitution Day (September 19, 2020)

Organizer, Presenter, Panel Member, National Media Literacy Week at IUPUC (October/November, 2017 - present)

Committee Member, IUPUC *Constitution Day: 100 Years of the 19th Amendment* (Fall 2019)

Editorial Board Member, *First Amendment Studies* (2019-present)

Article Reviewer, *Communication and Law; Internet and Higher Education, Journal of Media Literacy Education, First Amendment Studies*

Member, General Education Review subcommittee, IUPUI (2017-present)

Member, Program Review and Assessment Committee (PRAC), IUPUI (2017-present)

Member, Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws Committee (2021-2023)

Member, Student Affairs Committee, IUPUC Faculty Senate (2017-2021)

Guest Editor, *Special Issue of Communication Law Review: "Freedom of Speech and the Press in President Trump's First Year"*, August 2018.

Member, Leadership Council, National Association for Media Literacy Education (Aug. 2017-Dec 2019)

Panel Member, IUPUC *Constitution Day: Freedom of the Press* (Fall 2018)

Search Committee, Director of Communication and Marketing at IUPUC (Summer, 2018)

Panel Member, IUPUC *Banned Books Day* and *Constitution Day: Hate Speech* (Fall, 2017)

National Communication Association – Communication and Law Division

President (2018-2019)

Vice-president and program planner (2017-2018)

Vice-president elect (2016-2017)

Secretary (2014-2016)

Interview Expert, IUPUC Career Prep Day, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

Volunteer Public Speaking Tutor, IUPUC Academic Resource Center, Fall 2016

UW-L TEDx Committee, University of Wisconsin, La-Crosse (2013-2015)

Organization for Campus Women, University of Wisconsin, La-Crosse (2012-2016)

Treasurer (2013-2015), President (2015-2016)

General Education Assessment Committee, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (2013-2016)

Communication Studies Assessment Committee, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (2012-2015)

Professional Development

Adobe Creative Campus Faculty Development Summer Institute and Fellow Certification (June, 2022)

Incorporating Social Media Across the Curriculum to Promote Personal, Professional, and Civic
Communication Efficacy and Literacy

National Communication Association
November 12, 2016

Civic Callings for Career Coaching and Landing the Job: Teaching the College Business and
Professional Communication Course

National Communication Association,
November 10, 2016

Straight Talk about Teaching Communication Research Methods

National Communication Association,
November 11, 2015

The Science of Teaching and Learning (Based on “How Learning Works” by Ambrose, et. al.)

UW-La Crosse CTL
Fall, 2014

Professional Experience

IBM: (April 2005 – July 2007)

Staff Software Engineer/Project Manager, IBM Software Group, eSupport Strategy

Define and execute quality testing of internal and external web-based support tools. Project manage pilots of new technology as well as the development of features for the IBM software support portal. Set and execute strategy as a part of the larger support portal project management team.

IBM: Rochester, Minnesota (October 2002 – March 2005)

Staff Software Engineer/Project Manager, IBM Systems Group, Linux on iSeries Validation Team Lead.

Provide planning and leadership to the Linux Validation Team that results in the deliverables of tested Linux distributions on the iSeries platform. Owned and managed the relationship with Linux Distribution Partners for the iSeries platform. Participated in the larger project management community for Linux on the Power platform.

IBM: Rochester, Minnesota (December 1999 – September 2002)

Staff Software Engineer, IBM PartnerWorld for Developers, iSeries porting consultant. Provide technical and project management skills to IBM business partners porting applications to eServer iSeries, primarily from UNIX and Linux systems. Develop and deliver education, web pages, articles and white papers on technical and marketing topics.

IBM: Rochester, Minnesota (December 1993 – November 1999)

Associate Programmer, AS/400 Integrated file System Development, programming. Designed, wrote, and debugged code to implement file system operations, primarily POSIX-standard Application Program Interfaces (APIs) and AS/400 commands. Team leader for an extensive 18-month project to add additional internationalization capability to the file system. In addition, helped with internal and external publications, published articles in trade journals, and handled customer situations.