

BRIAN MCWILLIAMS

bmcwilliams@usao.edu

EDUCATION

- 2022 **Ph.D. in English Literature with a concentration in Rhetoric, Composition, and Pedagogy**
University of Houston
- 2015 **M.A. English**
Sam Houston State University
- 2012 **B.A. Philosophy (Cum Laude)**
Sam Houston State University
- 2008 **A.A**
- 2007 **A.S.**
LoneStar Community College

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK CHAPTERS

“Beowulf as Translatio Studii.” Reflections on Medieval and Renaissance Thought, Cambridge Scholars, 2017.

AWARDS

- 2022 University of Houston’s Teaching Excellence Award
2022 UH English Department’s Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award in FYW

EMPLOYMENT & EXPERIENCE

- 2023-Present **Assistant Professor at University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma**
- 2017-2022 **University of Houston**
- 2001-2022 **Houston Fire Department**
- 2006-2010 **United States Army**
- 1997-2004 **United States Marine Corps**

RESEARCH

2021-2022 Primary Investigator of an IRB-approved study on a Teaching for Transfer curriculum

FELLOWSHIPS

2017-2022 University of Houston
Graduate Teaching Fellowship

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

PANELS

2016 Panel Chair for the Second International Conference on Medieval and Renaissance Thought

PAPERS PRESENTED

2018 Presented on “Demystifying the Teaching of FYW” at University of Houston Annual Teaching Conference

2016 Presented “*Beowulf as Translatio Studii*” at the Second International Conference on Medieval and Renaissance Thought

ATTENDED

2023 DaVinci Institute conference on Artificial Intelligence in the Classroom

2023 OKCTE Conference

2022 Attended Social Justice Solutions Conference hosted at UH

2017- University of Houston’s Annual Teaching Conference

2022

2022 UH Conference on “The Vision Continues: Antiracism, Social Justice, and Trauma Informed Pedagogy”

2022 Social Justice Solutions

2022 CCCC Annual Convention on “The Promises and Perils of Higher Education: Our Discipline’s Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Linguistic Justice”

2021 CCCC Annual Convention on “We are All Writing Teachers”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2023-Present Assistant Professor of English at USAO

2018-Present Instructor of First-Year Writing I & II, including face-to-face, fully online, and hybrid online and face-to-face

2017-2018 Facilitator with Writing Center for introductory English classes and Writing in the Disciplines STEM/Honors at University of Houston

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

2021-2022 Created a collaborative researcher’s group among PhD candidates to encourage co-research along with sharing information and experiences in research.

2017-2018 Writing Advisor at the UH Writing Center for the first-year writing students and Honors college, specializing in STEM students Writing-in-the-Disciplines while at University of Houston

2013-2015 Editorial and Review work for *The Texas Review*
Co-led the SHSU Writing Group, a group of students that met weekly to collaborate and guide other students on writing matters, from creative writing to technical writing.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2019-Present NCTE member

2023-Present OKCTE member

2019-Present CCC member

2017-Present Modern Language Association member

2012-2017 Member and editor, Sam Houston Writer’s Circle

SERVICES TO COMMUNITY

2021 Provided aid and relief to families in need during the freeze disaster in Houston

2020-2021 First responder to provide medical care for COVID-19 patients in Houston

- 2017 Worked in rescue operations during a hurricane disaster in Houston
- 2015 Worked in rescue operations during flood disaster in Houston, volunteering at a shelter to provide medical care, food, and clothing for victims
- 2012 Volunteer work with the Make-A-Wish foundation
- 2004 Volunteer work providing medical care to low-income families
- 2003 Volunteer work at Star of Hope homeless shelters

LANGUAGES

- English, native
- Spanish, intermediate
- Old English, translational

REFERENCES

- Available upon request