

# Chelsea Bihlmeyer

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MULTI-DISCIPLINARY ARTIST, THEORIST, FACILITATOR  
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## EDUCATION

### AALTO UNIVERSITY

August 2021 - August 2022

Visiting Scholar, Department of Art  
Fulbright Finland EDUFI Grantee

### PURDUE UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE

August 2017 - May 2020

Master of Arts, Professional Communication  
Instructor of Record  
Outstanding Graduate Student Award  
G.P.A. 3.84

### UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI KANSAS CITY

August 2012 - July 2017

Bachelor of Arts, Communication Studies  
Minor in Studio Art  
Cum Laude & University Honors  
G.P.A. 3.78

## RELEVANT SKILLS

Qualitative Data Analysis  
Research Design  
Interviewing  
Rhetorical Analysis  
Somatic and Embodied Exercises  
Workshop Facilitation  
Analysis Software (NVivo, Qualtrics)

Visual Communication  
Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator  
Google Drive, Miro, Canva Teams, Trello  
Powerpoint  
Public Speaking  
Fine Art and Craft

Organized  
Self-Motivated  
Collaborative  
Innovative

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### FULBRIGHT-EDUFI UNITED STATES STUDENT PROGRAM GRANTEE

August 2021 - August 2022 | Aalto University | Helsinki, Finland

- Proposed and defended budget reports, earning €18k in research funding.
- Explained research findings at 3 public presentations.
- Promoted international academic exchange, attended weekly intercultural events.

### VISITING SCHOLAR

August 2021 - August 2022 | Aalto University | Helsinki, Finland

- Expert in qualitative and artistic research epistemology earning 19 doctoral credit hours.
- Directed a team of three artists, and produced two events.
- Led all aspects of capstone project. Collaborated with 10 artists, produced 2-day multi-media art installation.
- Read and synthesized research to give and receive actionable peer feedback on weekly basis.

### INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

August 2017 - May 2020 | Purdue University Fort Wayne | Fort Wayne, IN

- Delivered 300+ hours of instruction.
- Developed 15+ course presentations and supplemental material.
- Provided feedback, and used Blackboard educational software to track daily attendance, grades, and work records for 150+ students.
- Successfully managed the impromptu transition from in-person to remote teaching during the March 2020 COVID-19 lockdown crisis.

### GRADUATE RESEARCHER

August 2017 - May 2020 | Purdue University Fort Wayne | Fort Wayne, IN

- Led all aspects of 8+ communications research studies. Collected primary data in various methods including interview, text analysis, literature review, arts-based research design, and autoethnology.
- Communicated insights to expert audiences in 6+ presentations at professional conferences, published original research in peer-reviewed journal, wrote collaborative award-winning short film.
- Wrote and defended 10+ grant proposals, earning \$4,000+ in research funding.

## GRANTS

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| 2021       | Fulbright-EDUFI United States Student Program Grant, Helsinki, Finland  |
| 2020       | Fort Wayne Artist Relief Fund, The Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne and Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne, IN |
| 2019       | Office of Graduate Studies Travel Fund, Purdue Fort Wayne, IN   |
| 2018       | College of Arts and Science Travel Grant, Purdue Fort Wayne, IN   |
| 2018, 2019 | Communication Department Research Grant, Purdue Fort Wayne, IN  |
| 2018, 2019 | Purdue Fort Wayne Student Travel Fund, Purdue Fort Wayne, IN  |
| 2018       | Institute Of Research, Scholarship, And Creative Endeavors Grant, Office of Graduate Research, Purdue Fort Wayne, IN    |

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## PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 Fulbright Forum on Education, Innovation, Science, and Art, Online Forum, April 12
- 2020 The Qualitative Report 11th Annual Conference, Nova Southwestern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, January 15-17
- 2019 Heresies: Dissonance and Disturbance, The Graduate Religious Studies Association, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, March 22-23
- 2018 Understanding New Rape Cultures, Humanities Institute at the University College, Dublin, Ireland, September 13-14
- 2018 Communication, Media, And Governance In The Age Of Globalization, National Communication Association with Communication University of China, Beijing, China, June
- 2017 Undergraduate Honors Research Conference, Central States Communication Association, Minneapolis, MN

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATION

- Bihlmeyer, C. (2021). Fragmented Interpretations: Constructing the Arts-Based Text. *Comunicazioni Sociali*.
- Bihlmeyer, C. (2018). Unpacking the Tinder Lexicon: Visual Rhetoric and Power. *Lucerna*, 12, 23-41.

## VISUAL ART

- 2023 *Untitled Series 2* (in progress); Kansas City Artist Coalition, Main Gallery, Kansas City, MO
- 2022 *Terms and Conditions*, Aalto University, Helsinki, FI (transdisciplinary collaboration with i<sup>3</sup> Collective; Bee Steer, Devina Boughton)
- 2021 *Fragmented Interpretations*, LIFT-Off sessions Online (Best Short Film Nominee), film collaboration with director Greg W. Locke

## SERVICE

- 2023 Facilitator, Third Friday Art Walk Artist Off-Season Workshops, EPIC! Arts, Kansas City, KS
- Identified need, proposed, and developed series of monthly artist workshops.
- 2021 Panelist, Invited Talk, American Voices, Fulbright Finland Speaker Program
- Explained nuances of digital American queer culture to audience of 30+ Finnish students
- 2018 – 2020 President, Purdue Fort Wayne Graduate Student Organization
- Represented the graduate student body at monthly executive board meetings.
  - Create and present two original training modules at bi-annual graduate student seminars.
  - Identify gaps in graduate instructor training.
- 2019 Founding Leader, Planned Parenthood Action Council
- Co-wrote foundational documents, developed leadership structure.
  - Invitee, Planned Parenthood's People's Summit and Lobby Day July 2019 Washington, D.C.
- 2019 Volunteer, UNESCO International Year of Indigenous Languages Conference
- 10 volunteer hours including conference panel mediation, event registration, and culturally sensitive facilitation