

## EMILY J. O'BRIEN

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### EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara

- **PhD Fellow in Feminist Studies**, one year of coursework completed (*September 2018-August 2019*)

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio

- **Masters of Arts in English (Literature)**, *August 2018*
- **Graduate Certificate in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies**, *August 2018*
  - *M.A. Thesis*: "[Reclaiming Abortion Politics through Reproductive Justice: The Radical Potential of Abortion Counternarratives in Theory and Practice](#)"

Indiana University East, Richmond, Indiana

- **Honors Bachelor of Arts in English**, May 2015
- **Honors Bachelor of Arts in History**, May 2015
  - *Capstone Thesis*: "Women's Legacy of Personal Narratives: The Rise of the Contemporary Memoir"

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Miami University; English Department, Oxford, Ohio

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**, August 2016-May 2018

- Taught *ENG 111: Composition and Rhetoric* (Fall 2016 and Spring 2017) and *ENG 225: Advanced Composition: Writing for Social Justice* (Fall 2017)

#### Editorial Assistant

Miami University; English Department, Oxford, Ohio, May-August 2017

- Selected essays and wrote copy for the Miami English Department's *RhetHawks Reader* and *Rhetorical Inquiry Reader*; edited and collected material for the Teacher's Guide; copy-edited all publications; cover-image design; and pedagogy research—50% work completely remote.

#### Manuscript Editor

Performed 100% remotely in Oxford, Ohio, July-September 2017

- Copy-edited entire manuscript for grammar, syntax, etc.; and formatted manuscript according to the Edwin Mellen Press's style guide for academic books. Dr. Paul Kriese, Professor of Political Science. Book: *Interviews with African American Men Engaged in Local Indiana Politics*.

Indiana University East; Richmond, Indiana

**Course Assistant**, August 2015-August 2016

- Assisted with the teaching and grading of one upper-level class per semester: ENG L360 American Prose, CMCL C424 Communication Research Methods, and CMCL 309 Communications Special Topics: Deception, Jealousy, and Secrets

**Senior Writing Consultant**, April 2015-August 2016; **Writing Consultant**, 2012-2016

Performed 100% remote/work from home.

- Oversaw daily operations of the Online Writing Center; assigned & reviewed all student papers submitted online within 24 hours for grammar, mechanics, citations, structure, etc.
- Taught advanced citation style and general writing workshops for undergraduate and graduate students across all majors/disciplines in both face-to-face and online classes.

**Research Assistant**, 2014-2015

Performed 100% remote/work from home.

- Researched for Dr. Kriese's book, *Interviews with African American Women Engaged in Local Indiana Politics: A Grassroots of American Civic Democracy*; responsibilities included archival research, interviewing female subjects for the book, and transcribing Dr. Kriese's interviews and other interviews from archival collections.

### **Editor-in-Chief, *Tributaries: A Journal of Creative Arts; Creative Nonfiction Editor***

Indiana University East, Richmond, Indiana, 2014-2015; 2012-2014

- Helped to select all fiction, creative nonfiction, poetry, visual art, and audio art for publication; copy-edited entire journal; design and formatting on InDesign for entire journal; led a team of other editors—assigned them copy-editing duties for each section; organized launch party.

### **Grant Writing and Marketing Assistant**

Richmond Symphony Orchestra, Richmond, Indiana, January-September, 2013

- Researched and assisted with the writing of local and regional grants to fund the non-profit organization's free annual community concerts, and helped to create fundraising and social media marketing campaigns.

### **Supplementary Instruction Leader, August 2011-January 2012**

- Taught interactive study sessions for ENG-W131: Reading, Writing, Inquiry, focusing on improving students' assignments, and writing and critical thinking abilities.

### **Pearson Higher Education; staffed by BC Forward**

**ISTEP Test Evaluator, March 2016-May 2016**

Performed 100% remote/work from home.

- Scored ISTEP tests, Indiana's annual NCLB state standardized test, for Grade 3 Writing. Consulted rubrics and anchor papers to ensure accurate scoring.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- "Indiana's Assault on Reproductive Justice Continues, But Not Without a Fight." *Renwire*. Feb., 2017. Nonfiction.
- "The Fight is Far from Over: Pro-Choice Advocates Must Focus on Repealing TRAP laws and Reorienting a Biased Media Narrative on Abortion." *Salon*. July, 2016. Nonfiction.
- "The Seaside." *Tributaries*. May, 2014. Poetry.

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **Community Service, Grassroots Organizing, and Advocacy:**

- Virtual Abortion Access Advocate, Aug. 2018-present
- Abortion Storyteller for the national *1 in 3 Campaign*, Nov. 2016-present
- Lead Organizer and Indiana NOW representative and founding member of the Indiana Reproductive Justice Coalition (IRJC), Indiana, Nov. 2016-May 2018
  - *Helped create and facilitate statewide reproductive justice coalitional founding practices and documents, responsible for coalition's social media accounts, other responsibilities included: creating and facilitating workshops on reproductive justice, internal and external communications on action items; planning and participation in statewide campaigns against anti-abortion legislation.*
- State Council Vice President of Indiana's Chapter of NOW, Sep. 2016-May 2018
- Volunteer Leader of Women's Action Committee for the local Democratic Party, Wayne County, Indiana, Feb. 2016-Dec. 2016
  - *Responsible for all state social media content; monthly statewide newsletter creation and dissemination (increased Mailchimp list from 500-2000 in two years); helped facilitate growth of state chapter by supporting new local chapters throughout Indiana and facilitating remote advocacy efforts; planned and facilitated statewide workshops on: writing letters to the editor and opinion pieces, local organizing, and reproductive justice and abortion access advocacy.*

- State Conference Planning Committee Member and Presenter on Reproductive Justice, Indiana NOW, Indianapolis, Indiana 2015-2016
- Writing Workshop Leader, Girls Inc., Richmond, Indiana, 2012-2016
- Grant Writer, Historic Preservation Commission, Richmond, Indiana, 2012

#### Miami University, Service and Professional Committees:

- *Student Representative*, English Department's Literature Committee, 2017-2018
- *Student Representative*, English Department's Graduate Committee, 2016-fall of 2017
- *Member*, Miami English Graduate & Adjunct Association (MEGAA), 2016-2-18

#### Indiana University East, Service and Professional Committees:

- *President*, Student Government Association, 2014-2015
- *President and Public Relations Officer*, Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society, 2014-2015
- *Vice President*, Student Government Association, 2013-2014
- *Representative*, Student Government Association, 2012-2013
- *Student Coordinator*, Campus Food Pantry, 2013-2015
- *Student Representative*, Faculty Grievances Committee, 2012-2014

## MEMBERSHIPS

- Sistersong Reproductive Justice Collective
- National Women's Studies Association (NWSA)
- National Network of Abortion Funds
- Endometriosis Foundation of America
- Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association (PCA/ACA)
- Modern Language Association (MLA)
- Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society