Rebecca DuPont, Ph. D.

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Educator and researcher focusing on equitable learning experiences, integrating technology, and open educational resources.

Experience:

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MULTIMEDIA COMMUNICATIONS (SEPT. 2017 – CURRENT) Community College of Allegheny County

- Train 320 students in current practices of Multimedia design and development.
- Collaborate with 5 school districts to offer Multimedia credit courses to high school students.
- Revised curriculum 7 times for web development and video game development degrees.
- Implement open education resources in 9 multimedia communication courses.
- Conduct assessment on 21 courses to fulfill Middle States accreditation requirements.
- Collaborate with 4 disciplines to ensure continuity and application of courses to the needs of Multimedia Communication majors.
- Implement current industry practices of usability, user experience, game and web design, and development in the classroom.
- Continue research on trending practices for AI, UX/UI design, VR, AR, and development in multi-modality training.

ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA (Aug. 2012 – May 2017) Indiana University of Pennsylvania

- Convert Communication Graphics courses for asynchronous offerings.
- Redesign courses focusing on interactive multimedia production, Internet use, video games, and web design.
- Incorporate and utilize current social media practices in the classroom.
- Demonstrate prevailing practices for cutting-edge media technologies.
- Collaborate with colleagues to develop courses for certificate offerings in the Communications Media department.

Adjunct Instructor of Journalism and Multimedia Arts (Aug. 2009 – May 2015)

Duquesne University

- Author of two advanced ActionScript courses for graduate and undergraduate levels of study.
- Transform multiple courses covering topics including graphic design, scripting, and development.

- Serve as a department representative during recruitment fairs for prospective students.
- Mentor students engaged in independent studies exploring topics more in-depth.

ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS (Aug. 2009 – Dec. 2009)

St. Vincent College

- Instruct students on effective web design and layout practices through lectures and class examples.
- Increase students' understanding of different areas of web design and development.

Service:

FortyX80, Board Member (2025 - Current)

Pittsburgh Technology Council

- Provide academic insight to further the mission of non-profit collaboration and opportunity to the greater Pittsburgh area.
- Create collaborative opportunities between FortyX80 events and Community College of Allegheny County.
- Assist with events to encourage high school students to consider STEAM related fields.

Apprenti, Advisory Committee (2025 - Current)

- Develop pathways between Apparent and local companies for apprentices into different areas of STEAM.
- Organize collaborative approaches between academia and Apprenti company partners.
- Promote the Apprenti model of training and placement with potential partners in the greater Pittsburgh area.

Assemble, Board Member (2025 - Current)

- Assist with fundraising and participation in the organization.
- Volunteer for the Governance Committee, providing guidance on board bylaws.
- Provide support at Assemble events through volunteering and donations.
- Examine data and develop results that are applicable to a non-profit organization.

Multimedia Program Coordinator (2020 – Current)

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

- Promote the multimedia program through presentations to the community.
- Participate in admissions, registration, and recruitment events to promote the multimedia program to prospective students and community partners.
- Assist department heads with hiring adjunct faculty and staffing.
- Coordinate with MMC program faculty assessment faculty and follow-up activities to meet Middle States requirements

- Develop four-year program reviews and mid-point reviews for the art discipline.
- Review classroom assessment results, facilitate discussions among discipline faculty and assist with implementing the resulting recommendations.
- Coordinate and meet with the Advisory Committee for MMC and assist with implementing committee-recommended projects.
- Consult with deans regarding requests from external agencies related to offering courses and programming in the discipline off-campus.

ACADEMIC PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE, CHAIR (FALL 2024)

Community College of Allegheny County

- Analyze institutional data for hiring criteria for academic advisors, librarians, counselors, and faculty positions.
- Organize meetings for a subcommittee of 12 members to review Academic Programs.
- Review and provide feedback on academic position hiring criteria
- Collaborate with the college registrar to review the upcoming academic calendar.

Assessment and Research Subcommittee, Chair (2023 – 2024) Community College of Allegheny County

• Implement and guide decisions regarding college assessment, college technology decisions, and Middle States Standards.

AFT UNION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER, SECRETARY (2023)

Community College of Allegheny County

Knowledge of bylaws and the contract. Record minutes for meetings.

DEPARTMENT HEAD, HUMANITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS (2023)

Community College of Allegheny County

• Staff and develop multi-modality schedules alongside other discipline schedules for the needs of students.

COLLEGE COUNCIL, SECRETARY (2022 – 2023)

Community College of Allegheny County

• Recorded minutes, and proofed meeting schedule and docket items.

STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE, TRI-CHAIR (2019 – 2023) Community College of Allegheny County

 Oversee a 12-person committee with representation from across the college to develop a strategic enrollment plan to increase enrollment practices through 2025.

DEPARTMENT HEAD, COMPUTER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES (2018 – 2022)

Community College of Allegheny County

• Staff and develop multi-modality schedules and guided faculty, programs, and scheduling through the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Leadership:

- Project Management
- Team Coordinator
- Team Leader
- Detail Oriented

Skills, Awards, and Grants

Grants:

- PASmart Grant (2022): Collaborated with Union Area High School to prepare faculty to implement game design and development into their K-12 curriculum.
- Pennsylvania Grants for Open and Affordable Learning (PA Goals): Collaborated with CCAC's Library to provide students in the Multimedia Communications program access to no-cost textbooks through library access.

Awards:

- 2023 National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Award
- 2023 Three Rivers Educational Technology Conference Innovation in Education Award

Skills:

- Microsoft Office Suite
- Research and Media Literacy
- Prioritization of Project deadlines
- Web Design and Development
- Programming Languages: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, PHP, XML, JSON, Java, SASS, Vue, jQuery
- Content Management Systems: WordPress, Joomla, Blackboard
- 3D Modeling and Animation: Autodesk Maya, Mudbox, Blender
- Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Animate, Dreamweaver, Premiere, After Effects, Audition, Media Encoder, Character Animator, Substance Suite
- Adobe Captivate
- Open-Source Software: GIMP, Inkscape, DaVinci Resolve, Audacity
- UI/UX Layout: Adobe XD, Figma

Education:

INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA - INDIANA, PENNSYLVANIA

May 2020

Communications Media and Instructional Technologies, Ph. D.

 Dissertation: Chasing the Guild Princess – How Avatar Identity Affects Addictive Tendencies

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY - PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

May 2008

New Media Technology, M.S., Duquesne University

• Thesis: Usability and Video Game Interfaces

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY - PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

May 2006

Bachelor of Science, Duquesne University

• Multimedia Arts, Psychology