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Conference Schedule at a Glance...

Thursday, October 10

9:00 am - 4:30 pm STC-AC Pre-Conference

Room 400B, Tangeman University Center

6:00 pm Conference Welcome & Happy Hour

Bearcat Lounge, Kingsgate Marriott First Floor (Adjacent to Check-in Desk)

Join the CPTSC planning committee and local host Lisa Meloncon for drinks and dinner!

Friday, October 11

8:00 am - 6:00 pm Conference Presentations

Fourth Floor, Tangeman University Center

7:00 pm CPTSC Awards Event

Mt. Storm Room (Room 140), Kingsgate Marriott

***Please note that the University of Cincinnati will be hosting a college football game on Friday, October 11 that begins at 8:30 pm. Expect additional crowds on campus and around the hotel Friday evening.*

Saturday, October 12

10:00 am -12:00 pm CPTSC 2013 Business Meeting and Annual Reports

Mt. Echo Room (Room 130), Kingsgate Marriott

1:00pm CPTSC Excursion: Cincinnati Underground Brewery Tour





Conference Outline Friday, October 11

7:30-10:30am	Registration
8:00-9:00am	Plenary Conversation
	Introductory Remarks by Lisa Meloncon, University of Cincinnati
	Pavel Zemliansky, University of Central Florida Bob Johnson, Michigan Technological University Heidi McKee, Miami University (Ohio)
9:00-9:15am	Break
9:15-10:15am	Concurrent Sessions 1
Panel A	Can We? Should We? Develop a New Graduate Certificate Program in Technical Communication in Ohio
Room 400A	Moderator: Joanna Schreiber
	<i>Is It Still: "If We Build It, They Will Come"?</i> Xiaoli Li University of Dayton
	A Report on the U.S. Graduate Certificate Programs in TC Jim Nugent Oakland University
	The Status and Challenges of Existing Graduate Certificate Programs in TC in Ohio Wei Cen Bowling Green State University
	<i>Decision Time: Should We, or Shouldn't We?</i> Maura Taaffe University of Dayton





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Panel B	Editors' Forum: Conversations with Editors in the Field An Opportunity to Hear from and Meet with Editors in the Field
Room 400C	Moderator: Susan L. Popham
	Michael J. Albers Co-Editor, <i>Communication Design Quarterly</i>
	Tracy Bridgeford Co-Editor, <i>Programmatic Perspectives</i>
	Rosário Durão Editor, <i>connxions</i>
	Donna Kain Editor, <i>Technical Communication Quarterly</i>
	Miles Kimball Editor, <i>Ashgate Series in Technical Communication</i>
	Melinda Knight Editor, <i>Business Communication Quarterly</i>
	Charles Kostelnick Co-Editor, <i>Journal of Business and Technical Communication</i>
	Liz Pohland Editor, <i>Intercom</i>

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Panel C	Aspects of Online Approaches and Environments within Programmatic Contexts
Room 400A/B	Moderator: David Sapp
	<i>Going Online: The Advantages and Disadvantages of Administrative Support</i> Timothy D. Giles Georgia Southern University
	<i>Online Pedagogy in 2020: What Can We Expect?</i> Rick Mott Easter Kentucky University
	Seeking the Miner's Canary: Should Technical Communication Go Online Fenobia Dallas Saginaw Valley State University
	<i>Using Online Writing Portfolios to Clarify Program Objectives</i> Karen M. Kuralt University of Arkansas Little Rock
Panel D	What Administrators of Technical and Scientific Communication Programs Can Learn from WPAs
Room 419A/B	Moderator: Guiseppe Getto
	Pavel Zemliansky University of Central Florida
	Karla Kitalong Michigan Tech
	Alex ilyasova University of Colorado Colorado Springs





Panel E	Service Learning and Connecting to the Community
Room 427	Moderator: Jerry Savage
	<i>Bridging the Gap: Industry Perspectives on Service-Learning</i> Brittany McCrigler iFixit
	<i>Bonding With the Nuclear Industry: The University of Tennessee and Y-12 National Security Complex</i> Russel Hirst
	The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
	Building a Technical Writing Certificate: Melding and Meeting with the University and Community Adam R. Pope University of Arkansas
Panel F	Reflections on Methods Education Necessary in Technical and
	Scientific Communication Curricula
Room 417A/B	Scientific Communication Curricula Moderator: Natasha Jones
Room 417A/B	
Room 417A/B	Moderator: Natasha Jones Case Study Research and Experiential Knowledges Erin Frost





10:15-10:30am	Break
10:30-11:30	Concurrent Sessions 2
Panel A	Examining the Past to Develop the Future of Online Graduate Certificate Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication
Room 400A	Moderator: Diane Martinez
	Programmatic Overview of Online Graduate Certificates in Technical and Scientific Communication Laura Vernon Radford University
	A Strategic Conversion: Building the UT-El Paso Online Technical and Professional Writing Certificate Program Evelyn Posey University of Texas at El Paso
	A Graduate Certificate Program in Professional WritingFrom Classroom to Online: Catching up with the Future Mary Beth Debs University of Cincinnati
	Developing and Maintaining a Professional Writing Graduate Certificate Program: Successes and Challenges Janel Bloch Northern Kentucky University
	Mapping Certificate Outcomes to Mission and Goals Nancy W. Coppola New Jersey Institute of Technology
	<i>Graduate Certificate in Interactive Media Studies @ Miami University</i> James E. Porter Miami University





Panel B	Reconciling the Local and the Global: Approaches for Re-Thinking Technical and Scientific Communication Programs in International and Intercultural Contexts
Room 400C	Moderator: T. Kenny Fountain
	Globalizing Local Programs: Professional Writing in a 21st Century General Education Curriculum Laurence José Grand Valley State University
	<i>From Websites to Windmills: Globalizing Technical Communication Programs through Study Abroad</i>
	Marika Seigel Michigan Technological University
	<i>Online Approaches to Globalizing the Technical Communication Curriculum</i> Kirk St.Amant East Carolina University
	<i>Status and Study Abroad: Reimagining Technical Communication Curricula</i> Brian Ballentine West Virginia University





Panel C	Service Courses in Programmatic Contexts
Room 415A/B	Moderator: Mark A. Hannah
	<i>Reclaiming the Technical or Professional Communication "Service" Course</i> Miles Kimball Texas Tech University
	<i>What Do 150 Syllabi Tell Us About the Service Course?</i> Lisa Meloncon University of Cincinnati
	Moving the Service Course Online: What Every Instructor Needs to Know Meredith Singleton Northern Kentucky University
Panel D	CPTSC Diversity Initiatives: Past, Present, and Future A Report from the CPTSC Diversity Committee
Room 419A/B	Moderator: Tammy Rice-Bailey
	Natasha Jones University of New Mexico
	Natalia Matveeva University of Houston-Downtown,
	David Sapp Fairfield University
	Jerry Savage Illinois State University
	Han Yu Kansas State University





Panel E	Mentoring and Connections to Careers
Room 427	Moderator : Pavel Zemliansky
	Facilitating Connections and Mentoring Opportunities between Practitioners and Students Sally Henschel Midwestern State University
	Industry Mentors for Student Research and Writing Projects Pam Estes Brewer Mercer University
	Reflections on How Mentoring Programs in Technical Communication Serve Both The Academy and Industry Herb J. Smith Southern Polytechnic State University





Panel F	Future Considerations for Tech Comm Programs in the Twin Cities (MN)
Room 417A/B	Moderator: Marjorie Rush Hovde
	<i>Creating a User Experience Design Program</i> Tori Sadler
	Metropolitan State University and
	Quan Zhou
	Metropolitan State University
	A Competency-Based Approach: Undergraduate Curriculum Reform in Technical Communication
	Lee-Ann Kastman Breuch
	University of Minnesota—Twin Cities
	and
	Barb Horvath
	University of Minnesota—Twin Cities
	<i>Redesigning a Masters Program in Technical Communication to Integrate</i> <i>Personalized Learning Networks</i>
	Ann Hill Duin
	University of Minnesota—Twin Cities
	and
	Joe Moses
	University of Minnesota—Twin Cities
11:45am-	Lunch 11:45-1:15
1:15pm	Program Administrators' Round Table 12:15-1:15 Room 400A





1:15-2:15pm	Concurrent Sessions 3
Panel A	Building Strategic Partnerships: Experiential Learning and the Technical and Scientific Communication Curriculum
Room 400A	Moderator: Natalya Matveeva
	Science writing rocks: Developing a service learning project with the New Mexico Geological Society Steve Simpson New Mexico Tech
	For people out There: Creating a User Manual for the National Radio
	Astronomy Observatory and Elsewhere Rosário Durão
	New Mexico Tech
	Surprisingly Smooth: TC Interns Juggle the Messiness of the Workplace Elisabeth Kramer-Simpson New Mexico Tech





Panel B	Community-based Inquiry as Technical Communication Curricula: Approach to Encouraging Diversity
Room 400C	Moderator: Tori Sadler
	<i>Diverse Publics, Diverse Tech Comm</i> Kristen Moore Texas Tech University
	Programmatic Approaches to Community-based Learning Michele Simmons Miami University of Ohio
	<i>Immersive Learning: A Social Justice Approach to Technical Communication</i> <i>Pedagogy</i> Natasha Jones University of New Mexico
	<i>Respondent</i> Patricia Sullivan Purdue University





Panel C	Teaching Technical Communication Tools without Letting Them Take Over the Class
Room 415A/B	Moderator: Laurence José
	Teaching the Ethical Challenges of Technical Communication Tools Michael Charlton Missouri Western State University
	Technical Communication Tools, Practice, and the Technical Communication Classroom Kaye Adkins Missouri Western State University
	Using Multiple Tools to Teach Workplace Communication Dawn Armfield Frostburg State University
	<i>Reflecting on the Tools of Technical Communication</i> Nicholas Carrington Cedarville University







Panel D	Proficiency, Expertise, and Professionalization
Room 419A/B	Moderator: Laura Wilson
	<i>Metacognition, Documentation, and Proficiency in Technical Communication</i> Josephine Walwema Oakland University
	<i>Expertise Status: User-Generated Documentation and What We Can Learn</i> <i>From It</i>
	Devon Fitzgerald Ralston Miami University
	<i>Tutor Education as Professionalization for Technical and Professional</i> <i>Communicators</i> Daniel Kenzie Purdue University





Panel E	Building Relationships with Industry and Non-Profits
Room 427	Moderator: Timothy D. Giles
	Building Relationships with Non-Profits
	Hillary Hart
	University of Texas at Austin
	Building Relationships with Industry
	Nicky Bleiel
	ComponentOne Doc-To-Help
	Moving Past the Barriers of Corporate Confidentiality and Security Alan Houser
	Group Wellesley, Inc.
	Professionalizing TC Students through Non-Profit Work Liz Pohland
	Society for Technical Communication







Panel F	SIGDOC and CPTSC: Planning Pedagogy, Programs, and the Future Profession
Room 417A/B	Moderator: Michael Salvo
	<i>Leveraging the Core: UX from 0 to 60</i> Brian McNely University of Kentucky
	<i>Using an Innovation Challenge to Refocus a Writing Program</i> Andrew Mara North Dakota State University
	<i>Building a UX Collaborative within an Engaged University</i> Guiseppe Getto East Carolina University
2:15-2:30pm	Break







2:30-3:30pm	Concurrent Sessions 4
Panel A	Pausing at a Programmatic Crossroads: A Task Force Gathers Data on Perceptions of Professional and Technical Writing Courses and Programs at DePaul
Room 400A	Moderator: Laura Wilson
	An Analysis of Professional and Technical Communication Program Descriptions Antonio Ceraso DePaul University
	Preliminary Findings from Student Focus Groups About Professional and Technical Communication Program Descriptions Sarah Read DePaul University
	What Do Student Perceptions of Professional and Technical Writing Courses Mean for Professionalization? Dana Dunham DePaul University







Panel B	International Issues in Programmatic Contexts
Room 400C	Moderator: Fenobia Dallas
	The GATS and Higher Education: How Will Globalization Affect Us?
	Therese Pennell
	East Carolina University
	Integrating China into Professional Writing
	Jennifer deWinter
	and
	Jennifer Rudolph
	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
	An Interdisciplinary Curricular Module as Potential Gateway to Students' Technical and Professional Communication Education in Singapore
	Michael Rebaczonok-Padulo
	Ngee Ann Polytechnic
	and
	Kyle Mattson
	University of Central Arkansas
	Ethical Implications of Global Communication: Exploring Classroom
	Practices in Technical Communication Courses
	Diane Martinez
	Western Carolina University





Panel C	Targeted Technical Communications: a Case Study of Customized Pedagogy
Room 415A/B	Moderator: Barb Horvath
	<i>The History and Administrative Politics of Project Development</i> Meredith Zoetewey University of South Florida
	<i>Technological Challenges Inherent to Deploying a Custom Curriculum</i> Sarah Beth Hopton University of South Florida
	Demand vs. Staffing and Customizing across Departments Julie Staggers University of South Florida
Panel D	Imitation, Declamation, and Civic Responsibility: Re-Imagining a Classical Foundation for the STC Curriculum
Panel D Room 419A/B	
	Classical Foundation for the STC Curriculum
	Classical Foundation for the STC Curriculum Moderator: Ann Hill Duin Rhetorical Capacity and Civic Virtue T. Kenny Fountain





Panel E	Cultivating a Relationship Between Technological Fluency and Visual Literacy in Technical Communication
Room 427	Moderator: Han Yu
	Visual Literacy in Technical Communication Programs Kathryn Northcut Missouri University of Science and Technology
	<i>Technological Fluency in Technical Communication</i> Eva Brumberger Arizona State University
	Teaching Technology Skills to Support Visual Literacy Claire Lauer Arizona State University







Panel F	Programmatic Perspectives on and Projections for Social Justice Curricula & Pedagogy
Room 417A/B	Moderator: Laura Vernon
	Doing Social Justice Curricula Angela Haas Illinois State University Don't Knock the Hustle: What We Risk When We Ignore Technical Communicators from the Hiphop Generation Marcos Del Hierro Texas A&M University
	Using Black Feminist Pedagogy to Explore Issues of Race, Gender, and Technology in Technical Communication Flo Richardson Illinois State University
	Response: Side Talk, Back Talk, and Forward Talk on Social Justice Work in Technical and Professional Communication Programs Gerald Savage, Respondent Faculty Emeritus at Illinois State University
3:30-3:45pm	Break







3:45-4:45pm	Concurrent Sessions 5
Panel A	Facilitating New Beginnings: Building, Branding, and Enhancing a Regional University's Professional Writing Program
Room 400A	Moderator: Sally Henschel
	Founding a New Concentration: Building a Professional Writing Program Angela Jones Western Kentucky University
	<i>"Like" This if You Agree: Developing a Professional Writing Program's Identity for the Social Media Era J.A. Rice Western Kentucky University</i>
	(Re)Writing My Major: A Student's Reflections on a New Professional Writing Program Ann Reagan Western Kentucky University
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Panel B	Reflecting on Contexts and Re-Considering Aspects of Programs
Room 400C	Moderator: Alex Ilyasova
	<i>Using the Past and Present to Design Programs for the Future</i> M. Ann Brady Michigan Tech
	Reflecting on and Projecting women issues in Technical and Scientific Communication: How far Have We Come and Where are We Heading? Isidore Kafui Dorpenyo Michigan Tech
	Participatory Democracy in Action: Assessing Usability and Minimalism in the Scientific and Technical Communication Classroom Keshab Acharya Michigan Tech
Panel C	Ideas of Discipline and Disciplinarity in Programmatic Contexts
Panel C Room 415A/B	Ideas of Discipline and Disciplinarity in Programmatic Contexts Moderator: Andrew Mara
	Moderator: Andrew Mara (Un)Convincing Ourselves to Death: Revising the Case for Applied Rhetoric in Cross-Disciplinary Work Mark A. Hannah





Panel D	Perspectives on Research within Programmatic Contexts
Room 419A/B	Moderator: Marika Seigel
	Building Critical Perspectives and Action Into Technical and Scientific Communication Curricula and Research Robert R. Johnson Michigan Tech
	"Emotional" Technical Communication
	Han Yu
	Kansas State University
	<i>Developing a Strong Empirical Research Agenda</i> Michael J. Albers
	East Carolina University
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Panel E	Making Connections to Industry
Panel E Room 427	Making Connections to Industry Moderator: Lora Arduser
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4:45-5:00pm	Break
5:00-6:00pm	Concurrent Session 6
Panel A	Rethinking Programmatic Identity within Institutional Contexts and Within the Field
Room 400A	Moderator: Rosário Durão
	 Beyond Personal Technologies: Shifting Program Identity Michael J. Salvo Purdue University Rebranding TSC: A Discussion of Gains and Losses in a Move to Professional Writing Heidi McKee Miami University Rhetorical and Kairotic Reflections: A Framework for Program Revision Matthew Cox East Carolina University and Michelle Eble
	East Carolina University







Panel B	The International Tech Writing Class: Planning a Graduate Course with TESOL, ESL, and Technical Writing Faculty
Room 400C	Moderator: Kathryn Northcut
	Integrating Language Skills Into the Technical Writing Course Lars Söderlund Wright State University
	Navigating Institutional Expectations for International Writing Courses Chris Hall Wright State University
	<i>Choosing ESL Pedagogies for International Writers</i> Bobby Rubin Wright State University
	Organizing an International Graduate Technical Writing Syllabus, Revising for Undergraduates Catherine Crowley Wright State University







Panel C	Revisiting Participatory Assessment in Technical Communication
Room 415A/B	Moderator: Nancy W. Coppola
	Incident Reports as Participatory Assessment: A Case Study in Rhetorical and Technical Breakdowns Kyle P. Vealey Purdue University
	Managing Complexity as Participatory Assessment: A Case Study in Organizational Culture and Ethics Charlotte Hyde Purdue University
	Is Our Program Really On Track? Developing and Executing a Rigorous and Strategic Departmental Assessment Plan Susan A. Baim Miami University





Panel D	Dimensions of Developing Courses and a Major in Technical Communication
Room 419A/B	Moderator: Rick Mott
Koom 419A/B	Moderator: Rick MottWorking within Contextual Resources and Constraints in Designing a Technical Communication Major Marjorie Rush Hovde Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
	Integrating Experiential Learning with Technical Communication Coursework Corinne Renguette Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis





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Panel E	Aspects of Curriculum and Curricular Design
Room 427	Moderator: Mary Beth Debs
	Preparing Future Curriculum: Addressing Faculty Identity, Futility, and Resistance in Curriculum Review Processes Susan L. Popham University of Memphis
	<i>Implementing Usability in the Technical Communication Curricula</i> Felicia Chong Oakland University
	Symbolic-Analytic Work in Content Management Contexts: Exploring Implications for Program and Curriculum Development Rebekka Andersen University of California, Davis

Saturday October 12, 2013

10:00 am-	CPTSC 2013 Business Meeting
12:00 pm	Kingsgate Marriott, Room 130 (Mt. Echo Room)





2013 CPTSC Service Award Winners

Distinguished Service Award Winner--Kelli Cargile Cook



Kelli Cargile Cook is an Associate Professor of Technical Communication and Rhetoric at Texas Tech University, where she also serves as the introductory technical communication course coordinator. Her research focuses on online technical communication pedagogy, program development, program assessment, and professional development. She has co-edited two collections: *Online Education: Global Questions, Local Answers* (2005), which received the NCTE Award for Excellence for Best Collection in Technical and Scientific Communication (2006), and *Online Education 2.0: Evolving, Adapting, and Reinventing Online Technical Communication* (2013). She revised the third edition of *The Elements of*

Technical Writing, which has recently been translated into Japanese and Korean. From 2012-13, she was designated as a Fellow by the SUNY Center for Online International Learning (COIL). She is a past president of the Association of Teachers of Technical Writing and of the Council for Programs in Technical, Scientific, and Professional Communication.







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Distinguished Service Award Winner--Nancy W. Coppola



Nancy W. Coppola is the founding director of the Master of Science in Professional and Technical Communication (MS-PTC). Begun in 1994, MS-PTC has become a distinguished and prominently recognized graduate program in technical communication. Under the leadership of Dr. Coppola, MS-PTC was one of the first internationally available, completely online programs in technical communication, for which she won a Best Telecourse in Education award in 1995. She designed and developed two graduate certificate programs (Technical Communication Essentials; Social Media Essentials) that serve as resource for MS-PTC and provide interdisciplinary curricula for students.

Her scholarly publications have twice won the best research paper awards from IEEE Professional Communication Society (2005, 2006). Her edited two-part journal series won the APEX 2012 award for publication excellence. Her teaching has been recognized twice by NJIT for excellence awards (1994, 2013), the College of Science and Liberal Arts (2007), the Society for Technical Communication (STC) Jay R. Gould Award for excellence in teaching technical communication. She is a fellow of STC and Senior Member of IEEE. Her research, grants, and publications focus on professionalization issues for technical communication including a body of knowledge and programmatic issues including program assessment.







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Honorary Distinguished Service Award Winner--George Hayhoe



George Hayhoe is professor of technical communication and director of the MS Program in Technical Communication Management at the Mercer University School of Engineering. He worked as a technical communicator in industry for 18 years, and has also taught full time at Virginia Tech and East Carolina University, and as an adjunct at Utah State University and Augusta State University. He received the Society for Technical Communication's Jay R. Gould Award for Excellence in Teaching Technical Communication in 2012.

His publications include A Research Primer for Technical Communication: Methods, Exemplars, and Analyses, co-authored with Michael Hughes (Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, 2008), and *Qualitative Research in Technical Communication*, co-edited with James Conklin (Routledge, 2011). He was editor of *Technical Communication* from 1996 to 2012. He is also active in the development of international standards in the field, serving as co-editor of ISO/IEC/IEEE 26514:2008, *Requirements for Designers and Developers of Software User Documentation*.

A fellow of the Society for Technical Communication, he served on its board of directors from 1992 to 1996, and as chair or member of many committees for more than 20 years. He is also a senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and the IEEE Professional Communication Society, served on the society's Administrative Committee from 1993 to 2012, and was its president in 2000 and 2001. The Professional Communication Society established the Hayhoe Fellow to sponsor a student presenter at its annual conference in 2012.

He holds a PhD in English from the University of South Carolina. His research interests include product and document usability, and research methods in technical and professional communication.







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Diversity Scholarship Award Winner--Therese Pennell



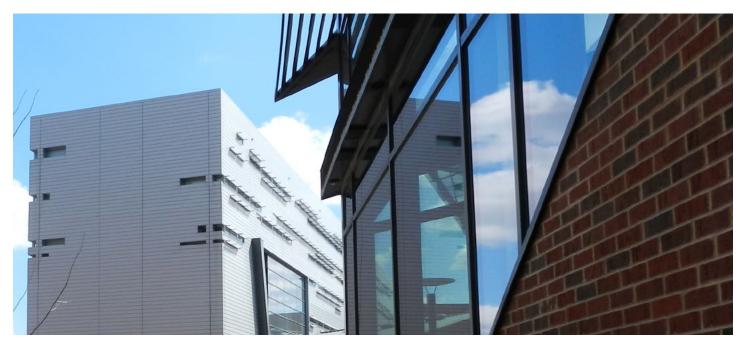
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The ninth of ten children in a family that valued education, I received my undergraduate at the University of Belize in English Education. After twelve years of teaching high school English and literature I became aware of the need in my community for accessible higher education and pursued a

research focus in distance education/online learning.

I moved to Greenville, North Carolina with my two wonderful children, where I received my MA in Technical Communication and a certificate in Multicultural and Transnational Literature at East Carolina University (ECU). One semester later I returned to the Doctoral Program at ECU where I am now a third year into my studies, newly married to my amazing Marine Veteran.

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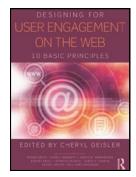
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