

Dr. Kylie B. Petrovich

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EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Middle Tennessee State University, English Murfreesboro, TN Dissertation: <i>Investigating Place-Identity Theory in the Life and Selected Works of Edith Wharton: Depictions of Expatriates and American Tourists in France</i>	May 2025
M.A.	Belmont University, English Nashville, TN	August 2015
MFA	Full Sail University, Creative Writing Orlando, FL	September 2012
BS	University of Pittsburgh, Psychology Sociology Minor	April 2007

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Georgia Institute of Technology Present

Marion L. Brittain Postdoctoral Fellow, Writing and Communication

- Teach English 1102: Composition II – Explorations of Identity in Film and Literature (2 Sections)
- Create syllabi, course schedules, lesson plans and assignments, and choose reading materials.
- Maintain office hours.

Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN August 2025-December 2025

Lecturer of English, Department of English

- Teach English 1010: Expository Writing (2 Sections)
- Teach English 1020: Research and Argumentative Writing (2 Sections)
- Teach English 1020: Research and Argumentative Writing (1 Section; Blended Course)
- Teach English 2030: The Experience of Literature (1 Section)
- Create syllabi, course schedules, lesson plans and assignments, and choose reading materials.
- Maintain at least one office hour per class taught.

Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN January 2023-May 2025

Instructor of Record, English Department

- Teach English 2030: The Experience of Literature
- Teach English 2020: Themes in Literature
- Teach English 1010: Expository Writing—Certified MT Engage course.
- Teach English 1020: Research and Argumentative Writing
- Create syllabi, course schedules, lesson plans and assignments, and choose reading

published articles.

Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN January 2023 to August 2023
Associate Editor, *SHIFT* Creative Journal

- Plan event launches for new volumes.
- Assist in proofing contributions before publication.
- View and rate new submissions.
- Create a call for submissions.
- Maintain a social media presence for *SHIFT*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Middle Tennessee State University August 2025
Breakout Group Leader, English Department Orientation

- Facilitated a breakout group on English 2020 and English 2030.
- Utilized examples of assignments and assessments that faculty might employ in English 2020 and 2030 in order to meet General Education English requirements.

Middle Tennessee State University May 2024-May 2025
Program Assistant, General Education English Department

- Conduct teaching observations.
- Assist in planning department events.
- Provide instructional support to faculty and Graduate Teaching Assistants.
- Develop and manage content for the General Education English Faculty Guide—Open Educational Resource
- Create professional development opportunities.
- Facilitate reflection group meetings.

Middle Tennessee State University August 2024-May 2025
Lending Librarian, English Department
Allison D. Smith Lending Library

Middle Tennessee State University January 2025
MTA Experience Session

- Shared experiences as a Mentored Teaching Assistant during a session at the Spring Faculty Curriculum meeting.

Middle Tennessee State University April 2024
Judge & Proctor, Linguistics Olympiad,

- Help with setup, registration, and proctoring of middle and high school students during the linguistics competition.
- Judged a category of entries for the competition.

Middle Tennessee State University 2023-2024
Graduate Student Reflection Group Leader, Department of English

- Held bi-weekly reflection group meetings with graduate teaching assistants.
- Fall 2023: Reflection Group for English 1010-Expository Writing.
- Spring 2024: Reflection Group for English 1020-Research and Argumentative Writing.

Middle Tennessee State University 2023-2024

Graduate Student Representative, General Education English Committee,
General Education English Committee

- Provided graduate student representation at General Education English Committee meetings.

Middle Tennessee State University Fall 2023-Spring 2025

True Blue Core Awards Judging Committee Co-Chair, Department of English

- Assembled committee members to read and judge undergraduate writing for the English department's True Blue Core Awards.

Middle Tennessee State University April 2024

Moderator, English Graduate Student Organization Symposium

Northeast Popular Culture Association Annual Conference October 2023

Panel Chair, Virtual

Tennessee Tutor Collaboration Day Conference November 2022

Panel Chair, Virtual

MANAGERIAL EXPERIENCE

Peace, Love, and Paws, Nashville, TN March 2025-August 2025

Front Desk Manager

- Oversee daily operations in a dog daycare and boarding facility.
- Oversee staff.
- Utilize QuickBooks and Excel.

Quiet Storm Surf Shop, North Myrtle Beach, SC 2018-2021

General Manager

- Oversee daily operations in a large retail store.
- Train and motivate staff.
- Utilize a point-of-sale system.
- Create purchase orders for multiple stores and maintain inventory.
- Meet sales goals, create an attractive store environment, handle all customer complaints, implement safety regulations, schedule all shifts, handle digital and radio marketing, work with staff accountant for bookkeeping, budget labor and sales, and make bank deposits.
- Use Paychex Flex for payroll.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND WORKSHOPS

“Shiver Me *Tinder*: The Parasitical Nature of Dating Apps as Compared to David Cronenberg’s *Shivers*.” Cine-Excess Symposium, Virtual, October 2025.

“Charitable Edith Wharton: Life and Fiction During the Great War,” Northeast Modern Language Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, March 2025.

“The ‘Other,’ Sexual Ambiguity, and Heteronormativity in Wes Craven’s *The Last House on the Left*.” Cine-Excess Symposium, Birmingham, UK, October 2024.

"Place-Identity in the Works of Edith Wharton." Performing Class and Gender Conference, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ, April 2024.

"Life Prescribed." Northeast Modern Language Association Conference, Boston, MA, March 2024.

"The Rape of the Land: Feminization of Nature and Masculinization of the Industrial in Henry James: *The American Scene*." Midwest Popular Culture Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, October 2023.

"bell hooks, Megan Thee Stallion, and the (Mis?) Representation of Black Women in Popular Culture." Northeast Popular Culture Association, Virtual, October 2023.

"Mercer Mayer's Mild-Mannered Monsters: The Importance of Illustrations and Agency in Children's Picture Books." Georgia Conference on Children's Literature, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, March 2023.

"You *Can* Sit with Us: The Writing Center as a Safe Space." Southeastern Writing Center Association, Memphis, TN, February 2023.

"You *Can* Sit with Us: The Writing Center as a Safe Space," TuColla Conference, Virtual, November 2022.

"APA Citation and Integrity Workshop," Dr. Renee Jones, Middle Tennessee State University, September 27, 2022.

"Your Writing Identity," Blackman Collegiate Academy, October 27, 2022.

"Writing Center Lab," Central Magnet Schools, November 3, 2022.

PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming

Petrovich, Kylie B. "I Know Not What I See: Body Horror and Identity in H.P. Lovecraft's 'The Outsider'." *The Handbook of Body Horror*, editors Subashish Bhattacharjee and Anik Sarkar, 2026.

Petrovich, Kylie B. The "Other," Sexual Ambiguity, and Heteronormativity in Wes Craven's *The Last House on the Left*." *Cine-Excess Journal*, 2026.

Petrovich, Kylie B. "Place Identity in the Life and Works of Edith Wharton." *The Identity Handbook*, editor Najah Mahmi, Westphalia Press, 2026.

Petrovich, Kylie B. "The Panic of Survivor: Depictions of Anxiety Post-Covid." *Mental Illness in Reality Television*, editor Angelica Cabral, McFarland Press, 2026.

Petrovich, Kylie B. "Carving Out a Niche: The Use of Jack O'Lanterns in *Halloween*." *Michael Myers at 50: Essays on the Halloween Franchise*, editor Shane Weathers, University of Texas Press, 2026.

Book Reviews

“Review of *Disability Works: Performance After Rehabilitation.*” New York University Press. Review completed for the Midwest Popular Culture Association (MPCA), 2025.

Letters from the Editor

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Letter from the Editor.” *Scientia et Humanitas*, Spring 2025.

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Letter from the Editor.” *Scientia et Humanitas*, Spring 2024.

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Editor’s Introduction.” *SHIFT*, Vol. 6, February 2024.

Interviews

Chesak, Jennifer. “SHIFTing Behind the Scenes.” 2023, www.shift-write.com

Fisher, Robert Morgan. “Unveiling the ‘Soul of the Storm:’ An Interview with Robert Morgan Fisher.” 2023, www.shift-write.com

Heilman, Jaymie. “Burning Tensions: Climate Change and Family Dynamics in ‘Fire Hazards’.” 2023, www.shift-write.com

Parris, Caitlyn Osborne. “Caitlyn Osborne-Parris Explores the Creative Process and Themes Behind ‘We Have Been Advised’.” 2023, www.shift-write.com

Creative Publications

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Life Prescribed.” *Shift Journal*, Spring 2025.

Petrovich, Kylie B. “A Simple Plea.” *Off Center*, 2023, www.mtsu.edu/offcenter/

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Sanctuary.” *The Mocking Owl Roost*, December 2023,

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Blood Moon.” *Off Center*, 2024, www.mtsu.edu/offcenter

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Love’s Open Door.” *The Mocking Owl Roost*, July 2024.

Petrovich, Kylie B. “Hands.” *The Mocking Owl Roost*, August 2024.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Scholar

Spring 2025

Richard C. and Virginia Peck Award

Fall 2024

Outstanding graduate student award; nominated by faculty.

John N. McDaniel Excellence in Teaching Award

Spring 2024

William R. Wolfe Award

Spring 2024

“An Italian Influence: Giovanni Battista Manso, John Milton, and Friendship”

College of Liberal Arts Outstanding Graduate Student Nominee

Spring 2024

English Department Nominee

Course Director's Award

2012

Award for possessing outstanding work ethic and embodying the true spirit of script analysis and criticism.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Omicron Delta Kappa Honors Society, 2024-Present**Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society**, 2024-Present**Modern Language Association**, 2022-Present**Northeast Modern Language Association**, 2024-Present**Edith Wharton Society**, 2023-Present**Northeast Popular Culture Association**, 2023-Present**Midwest Popular Culture Association**, 2023-Present

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Mental Health First Aid Certification

Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN, December 2024.

Title IX and Sexual Harassment

Middle Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN, July 2024.

Title VI Overview

Middle Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN, July 2024.

LANGUAGES

English: Native Language**Spanish:** Novice Listener, Novice Speaker, Intermediate Reading and Writing

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Microsoft Office
- Excel
- QuickBooks
- PowerPoint
- Canvas
- Zoom
- In-Design
- Pressbooks
- Adobe Acrobat
- Padlet
- D2L
- Blackboard