

Patrick J. Dillon, Ph.D.

Curriculum Vitae

Assistant Professor of Communication Studies	415 Main Hall
Kent State University at Stark	6000 Frank Ave. NW
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Education

Ph.D. **Communication** **University of South Florida** **2013**

Committee Chair: Ambar Basu
Committee Members: Carolyn Ellis, Michael Papa, & Lori Roscoe
Dissertation: *African Americans and Hospice: A Culture-Centered Exploration of Disparities in End-of-Life Care*

M.A. **Communication** **Central Michigan University** **2009**

Committee Chair: Mary Ann Renz
Committee Members: Wendy Papa & Lesley Withers
Thesis: *Assessing the Influence of Patient Participation in Primary Care Medical Interviews on Recall of Treatment Recommendations*

B.A. **Communication** **Central Michigan University** **2007**

Honors: *summa cum laude*

Academic and Professional Appointments

Assistant Professor of Communication — 2016-present
School of Communication Studies, Kent State University at Stark

Assistant Professor of Health Communication — 2013-2016
Department of Communication, University of Memphis

Affiliate Faculty of Social and Behavioral Sciences — 2013-2016
School of Public Health, University of Memphis

Research Intern — 2012-2013

Division of Health Behavior and Outcomes, Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute

Graduate Teaching Associate — 2009-2011, 2013

Department of Communication, University of South Florida

Research Intern — 2012

Division of Hospice and Palliative Care, Chapters Health System

Graduate Research Assistant — 2008-2009

Department of Communication and Dramatic Arts, Central Michigan University

Graduate Teaching Assistant — 2007-2008

Department of Communication and Dramatic Arts, Central Michigan University

Awards and Honors

Top Paper — 2015

Intercultural Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association

Top Paper — 2015

Ethnography Interest Group, Southern States Communication Association

Arthur P. Bochner Award for Achievement in Doctoral Studies — 2013

Department of Communication, University of South Florida

Research Fellowship — 2012

Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End-of-Life Studies, University of South Florida

Provost's Commendation for Outstanding Teaching — 2012

Academy for Teaching and Learning Excellence, University of South Florida

Graduate Student Scholar Award — 2012

Florida Communication Association

International Communication Association Teacher of the Year Award — 2012

Department of Communication, University of South Florida

Top Student Paper — 2012

Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association

Top Student Paper — 2012

Florida Communication Association

Top Student Paper — 2011

Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association

Health Communication Summer Doctoral Fellowship — 2011

Cancer Communication Research Center and the National Cancer Institute

Bernard Downs Spirit Award for Outstanding Departmental Citizenship — 2011

Department of Communication, University of South Florida

Achievement in Graduate Student Research Award (Finalist) — 2009

Office of Research and Creative Endeavors, Central Michigan University

Research

Journal Articles

Kedia, S. K., **Dillon, P. J.**, & Basu, A. (Accepted). A qualitative exploration of "mother first" identity and antiretroviral adherence among African American women living with HIV in the Mid-South region of the United States. *Health Communication*.

Schmidt, M., **Dillon, P. J.**, Jackson, B. M., Pirkey, P., & Kedia, S. K. (2019). "Gave me a line of ice and I got hooked:" Exploring narratives of initiating methamphetamine use. *Public Health Nursing, 36*(1), 18-27.

Alexander, A. C., Obong'o, C. O., Chavan, P. P., Dillon, P. J., & Kedia, S. K. (2018). Addicted to the 'life of methamphetamine': Perceived barriers to sustained methamphetamine recovery. *Drugs: Education, Prevention and Policy, 25*(3), 241-247

Tullis, J. A., Roscoe, L. A., & Dillon, P. J. (2017). Resisting the hospice narrative in pursuit of quality of life. *Qualitative Research in Medicine & Healthcare, 1*, 63-72.

- Obong'o, C. O., Alexander, A. C., Chavan, P. P., Dillon, P. J., & Kedia, S. K. (2017). Choosing to live or die: Online narratives of recovering from Methamphetamine abuse. *Journal of Psychoactive Drugs*, 49(1), 52-58.
- Dillon, P. J., & Basu, A. (2016). African Americans and hospice care: A culture-centered exploration of enrollment disparities. *Health Communication*, 31(11), 1385-1394.
- Basu, A., Dillon, P. J., & Romero-Daza, N. (2016). Understanding culture and its influence on HIV/AIDS-related communication among minority men who have sex with men. *Health Communication*, 31(11), 1367-1374.
- Dillon, P. J., & Basu, A. (2016). Toward eliminating hospice enrollment disparities among African Americans: A qualitative study. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, 27, 219-237.
- Gallardo, M., Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2016). Exploring identity construction: Considerations of student identity expression in online modalities. *International Journal of Information Communication Technologies and Human Development*, 8, 31-36.
- Dillon, P. J., & Roscoe, L. A. (2015). African Americans and hospice care: A narrative analysis. *Narrative Inquiry in Bioethics*, 5, 151-165.
- Dillon, P. J., & Basu, A. (2014). HIV/AIDS and minority men who have sex with men: A meta-ethnographic synthesis of qualitative research. *Health Communication*, 29, 182-192.
- Dillon, P. J., & Jenkins, J. J. (2013). Improving students' formal writing: The IDOL writing device. *College Teaching*, 61, 82.
- Dillon, P. J. (2013). Challenges and opportunities: Educating medical trainees to disclose medical errors. *Florida Communication Journal*, 40, 43-52.
- Dillon, P. J. (2012). *UnBalanced*: An autoethnography of fatherhood in academe. *Journal of Family Communication*, 12, 284-299.
- Dillon, P. J. (2012). Assessing the influence of patient participation in primary care medical

interviews on recall of treatment recommendations. *Health Communication*, 27, 58-65.

Dillon, P. J., Roscoe, L. A., & Jenkins, J. J. (2012). African Americans and hospice care: Making decisions about enrollment. *The Howard Journal of Communications*, 23, 175-193.

Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2012). "This is what we are all about:" The (re)construction of an oppressive organizational structure. *Southern Communication Journal*, 77, 287-306.

Lopez, B., Dillon, P. J., & Frost, J. (2012). Reproductive health services for women with HIV/AIDS: A case study of the Tampa metropolitan area. *Technology and Innovation*, 13, 281-292.

Dillon, P. J. (2011). Moral accounts and membership categorization in primary care medical interviews. *Communication & Medicine*, 8, 211-221.

Castañeda, H., Kline, N., Rapp, M., Dillon, P., Timmons, C. (2011). Assessing the US Affordable Care Act: Perspectives from future health care professionals. *Practicing Anthropology*, 33(4), 44-48.

Papa, M. J., Mapendere, J., & Dillon, P. J. (2010). Waging peace through improvisational action: Track-two diplomacy in the Sudan-Uganda conflict. *Southern Communication Journal*, 75, 349-369.

Book Chapters and Reference Works

Dillon, P. J., & Basu, A. (2019). African Americans and hospice care: On social risk, privacy management, and relational health advocacy. In P. M. Kellett (Ed.), *Narrating patienthood: Engaging diverse voices on health, communication, and the patient experience* (pp. 63-84). Lanham, MD; Lexington Books.

Dillon, P. J. (2018). Evaluating health campaign websites: A focus group exercise. In J. Seiter, J. Peebles, & M. Sanders (Eds.), *Communication in the classroom: A collection of G.I.F.T.S.* (pp. 423-426). New York: Bedford/St. Martin's Press.

Dillon, P. J. (2016). Silence, stigma, and sexual risk. In J. Yamasaki, P. Geist-Martin, B. F. Sharf (Eds.), *Storied health and illness: Communicating personal, cultural, and political complexities* (p. 37). Long Grove, IL: Waveland Press.

Dillon, P. J., & Roscoe, L. A. (2015). Qualitative communication research. In E. Wittenberg, B. Ferrell, J. Goldsmith...G. Handzo (Eds.), *Textbook of palliative care communication* (pp. 399-407). Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

Dillon, P. J. (2014). HIV/AIDS: Mother-to-child transmission. In T. L. Thompson (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of health communication* (pp. 651-653). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Dillon, P. J. (2014). Interviewing in the health care context. In T. L. Thompson (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of health communication* (pp. 752-754). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Dillon, P. J. (2014). Pediatric hospice care. In T. L. Thompson (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of health communication* (pp. 1046-1048). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Dillon, P. J., & Basu, A. (2013). Culture-centered health communication: Addressing HIV/AIDS in a sex worker community. In Dutta, M. J., & Kreps, G. L. (Eds.), *Reducing health disparities: Communication interventions* (pp. 113-132). New York: Peter Lang Publishers.

Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2013). Learning through YouTube. In S. P. Ferris & H. A. Wilder (Eds.), *The plugged-in professor* (pp. 81-90). Oxford, UK: Chandos Publishing.

Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2013). Facebook, identity, and deception: Explorations of online identity construction. In J. E. Aitken (Ed.), *Cases on communication technology for second language acquisition and cultural learning* (pp. 5-8). Hershey, PA: IGI Global.

Competitively Selected Conference Presentations

Dillon, P. J., Kedia, S. K., Jiang, Y., Collins, A., Kalale, A., & Bhuyan, S. S. (2018, November). Substance use and violence among high school students in the United States. Poster presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo, San Diego, CA..

Dillon, P. J. (2017, November). African Americans women living with HIV/AIDS: A culture-centered exploration of motherhood and self-care. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Dallas, TX..

Dillon, P. J. (2017, November). African Americans and end-of life care: Integrating hospice experiences into family caregiving narratives. Paper presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo, Atlanta, GA.

Dillon, P. J. (2016, November). "When you're black, you think twice about telling people about hospice:" A privacy management case study. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Philadelphia, PA.

Dillon, P. J. (2016, November). African Americans and end-of-life care: Accounting for the social risks of hospice enrollment. Paper presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo, Denver, CO.

Kedia, S., Dillon, P., & Wang, L. E. (2016, November). It's not just one thing: A qualitative exploration of substance use initiation among problematic substance users. Poster presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo, Denver, CO.

Dillon, P. J., & Kedia, S. (2016, April). *African American women living with HIV/AIDS: Identity, motherhood, and HAART adherence*. Paper presented at the Kentucky Conference on Health Communication, Lexington, KY.

Basu, A., Dillon, P. J., & Sastry, S. (2016, April). "*HIV drugs are like my birth control pill:*" *Lived narratives of Black and Latino MSM in an urban American context*. Paper presented at the Kentucky Conference on Health Communication, Lexington, KY.

Dillon, P. J., & Basu, A. (2016, April). *Toward eliminating hospice enrollment disparities: A qualitative study of African American hospice patients and lay caregivers*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Austin, TX.

Kedia, S., Dillon, P. J., Mohan, S., Sinha, S., & Chauhan, S. (2015, September). *Implications of stigma among African American Women living with HIV/AIDS*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Tennessee Public Health Association. Franklin, TN.

Dillon, P. J. (2015, September). "*Let's Talk Health:*" *Producing radio content for a*

campus-wide health campaign. Paper presented as part of a competitively selected panel at the Annual Meeting of the Tennessee Communication Association, Dickson, TN.

Dillon, P. J., & Basu, A. (2015, April). *African Americans and hospice: A culture-centered exploration of enrollment disparities*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Tampa, FL. **Top Paper in Intercultural Communication Division**

Dillon, P. J., & Roscoe, L.A. (2015, April). *African Americans and hospice: Narratives of terminal illness and end-of-life care*. Paper selected for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Tampa, FL. **Top Four Paper in Ethnography Interest Group**

Dillon, P. J. (2014, April). *Promoting the voice of medicine: A critical analysis of the AskMe3 campaign*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.

Dillon, P. J. (2013, November). *The complexity of hope: Narratives of hospice care in African American families*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Washington, DC.

Dillon, P. J. (2013, November). *Reexamining the relationship between participation and patient satisfaction*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Washington, DC.

Basu, A., & Dillon, P. J. (2013, November). *Locating culture as contradictory and contentious: HIV/AIDS and minority men who have sex with men*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Washington, DC.

Dillon, P. J. (2013, April). *"I feel like he's still with me: Spatial narratives as a form of family storytelling*. Part of a competitively selected panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association Convention, Louisville, KY.

Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2013, April). *Facebook identities*. Presented during the Great Ideas for Teaching Students session at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association Convention, Louisville, KY.

Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2012, November). *Learning through YouTube*. Presented

during the Great Ideas for Teaching Students session at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Orlando, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2012, October). *Patient participation in primary care medical interviews: Does patients' communication influence satisfaction with their physician?*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Florida Communication Association Convention, Orlando, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2012, October). *End-of-life communication research: Issues of informed consent*. Part of a competitively selected panel at the Annual Meeting of the Florida Communication Association Convention, Orlando, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2012, April). *UnBalanced: An autoethnography of fatherhood in academe*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX.

Dillon, P. J. (2012, April). *Examining the relationship between patient participation and satisfaction in primary care medical interviews*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX.

Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2012, April). *"This is what we are all about:" The (re)construction of an oppressive organizational structure*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX. **Top Student Paper in Applied Communication Division**

Dillon, P. J., & Jenkins, J. J. (2012, April). *Health campaign evaluation: A focus group exercise*. Presented during the Great Ideas for Teaching Students session at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX.

Jenkins, J. J., & Dillon, P. J. (2012, April). *Weekly reflexions*. Presented during the Great Ideas for Teaching Students session at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, San Antonio, TX.

Dillon, P. J. (2011, November). *African Americans and hospice care: A qualitative meta-ethnography of decisions about hospice care*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.

Dillon, P. J. (2011, November). *Social work, HIV/AIDS, and minority sex worker men who*

have sex with men: A membership categorization analysis. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.

Dillon, P. J. (2011, November). *Breaking the pattern of silence: An autoethnography of illness and family.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.

Dillon, P. J. & Basu, A. (2011, May). *Minority men who have sex with men and HIV/AIDS: A meta-ethnography.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Communication Association, Boston, MA.

Dillon, P. J. (2011, March). *Challenges and opportunities: Educating medical trainees to disclose medical errors.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Little Rock, AK. **Top Student Paper in Applied Communication Division**

Dillon, P. J. (2011, March). *"That's not who we are:" Examining structural divergence in a contemporary Christian church.* Part of a competitively selected panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association Convention, Little Rock, AK.

Castañeda, H., Kline, N., Novicki, E., K... Dillon, P. J... Timmons, C. M. (2011, March). *Perspectives of future health care providers on US health reform.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Seattle, WA.

Dillon, P. J. (2010, November). *Moral accounts and membership categorization in primary care medical interviews.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, San Francisco, CA.

Dillon, P. J. (2010, June). *Examining moral discourse in medical interviews.* Paper presented at the Interdisciplinary Conference on Communication, Medicine, & Ethics (COMET), Boston, MA.

Dillon, P. J. (2010, April). *Assessing the influence of patient participation in primary care medical interviews on recall of treatment recommendations.* Paper presented at the Kentucky Conference on Health Communication, Lexington, KY.

Dillon, P. J. (2010, April). *I'm here to take my medicine: Examining the image repair*

strategies of Alex Rodriguez. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Memphis, TN.

Dillon, P. J. & Withers, L. A. (2009, September). *Measuring patients' participation in medical interviews: The patient participation scale*. Paper presented at the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare, Miami, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2008, September). *First do no harm but say you're sorry when you do: The role of health organizations in promoting open disclosure and apology behaviors following medical mistakes*. Paper presented at the Mini Organizational Communication Conference, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.

Invited Presentations

Dillon, P. J. (2014, December). *Understanding culture and its influence on HIV/AIDS-related communication among minority men who have sex with men*. Invited presentation at HIV/AIDS Research Colloquium, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI.

Dillon, P. J. (2014, March). *The complexities of hope: Improving end of life care*. Invited presentation as part of the Distinguished Speaker Series, California State University Channel Islands, Camarillo, CA.

Dillon, P. J. (2013, June). *African Americans and Hospice: A culture-centered exploration*. Invited presentation at the Annual Biopsychosocial Oncology Conference, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, Tampa, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2013, May). *African Americans and Hospice: A culture-centered exploration*. Invited presentation at the monthly meeting of the Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End-of-Life Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2013, March). *Improving hospice access among African American patients*. Invited presentation to staff members at Chapters Health System, Tampa, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2010, November). *Perspectives of future health care providers on U.S. health reform*. Invited presentation to students and faculty in the Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

Dillon, P. J. (2010, March). *Addressing errors in medical training programs: Mentoring*

medical students and residents. Invited presentation at the Communication and Social Action Conference, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI.

Dillon, P. J. (2009, April). *Patient participation and predictors of health outcomes.*
Invited presentation at the Student Research and Creative Endeavors Exhibition,
Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI.

Dillon, P. J. (2009, February). *Asking and answering questions in medical interviews.*
Invited presentation to staff members at Genesys Regional Medical Center, Grand
Blanc, MI.

Dillon, P. J. (2008, October). *Communicating with your doctor.* Invited presentation to
patients and staff members at Alcona Health Center, Lincoln, MI.

Funded Research

Competitive Summer Research Appointment (\$10,000) — 2018

Division of Research and Sponsored Programs, Kent State University.

Pivotal Actions for Communication Training Grant (\$200,000) — 2015 (not funded)

Arthur Vining Davis Foundation

New Faculty Research Grant (\$3,600) — 2014

College of Communication and Fine Arts, University of Memphis

Research Fellowship (\$25,000) — 2012

Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End-of-Life Studies, University of South Florida

Health Communication Summer Doctoral Fellowship (\$2,500) — 2011

Cancer Communication Research Center and the National Cancer Institute

Graduate Student Research and Creative Endeavors Grant (\$1,000) — 2008

Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, Central Michigan University

Teaching

Undergraduate Courses - Kent State University at Stark

Introduction to Human Communication
Interpersonal Communication
Introduction to Health Communication
Communication Research Methods
Communication and Conflict
Everyday Interpersonal Communication and Health

Graduate Courses - University of Memphis

Seminar in Health Communication: Health Promotion in Multicultural Populations
Public Health Communication
Independent Study: Communication in Health Organizations

Undergraduate Courses - University of Memphis

Public Health Campaigns
Health Communication
Communication Research Methods
Communication Inquiry
Oral Communication

Undergraduate Courses - University of South Florida

Health Communication
Family Communication
Interpersonal Communication
Introduction to Public Speaking

Undergraduate Courses - Central Michigan University

Introduction to Communication

Graduate Mentoring

Doctoral Advisee

Andrew Carter, University of Memphis, 2015-2016

MA Advisees

Rohini Rairao, University of Memphis, 2016

Christina Rader, University of Memphis, 2014-2016

Doctoral Committee Memberships

Christine Platt, University of Memphis, 2015-present

Lisa Dale, University of Memphis, 2015-2016

Crystal Daugherty, University of Memphis, 2013-2016

MA Committee Memberships

Vivian Brandhoff, University of Memphis, 2015-2016

Lindsey Randall, University of Memphis, 2013-2016

Service

Editorial Board Memberships

Health Communication — 2017-present

Frontiers in Communication — 2016-present

Southern Communication Journal — 2014-2017

Studies in Global Health Communication (Routledge Press book series) — 2013-2014

Florida Communication Journal — 2011-2013

Ad Hoc Reviewer, Book Manuscripts

Lexington Press — 2017

Wiley Blackwell — 2017

Oxford University Press — 2015

Kendall Hunt Publishing — 2014

Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal Articles

Qualitative Health Research — 2018, 2019

Communication and Medicine — 2013, 2016
Health Communication, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
Patient Education and Counseling — 2015
Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved — 2015
Communication Monographs — 2013, 2014

Disciplinary Service

Regional Representative — 2018-present
Ohio Communication Association

Chair, Applied Communication Division — 2015-2016
Southern States Communication Association

Vice Chair/Convention Program Planner, Applied Communication Division — 2014-2015
Southern States Communication Association

Applied Communication Division Representative, Roundtable on Publications — 2011
Southern States Communication Association

Conference Participation

Paper Reader — 2018, 2019
Health Communication Working Group, American Public Health Association

Panel Respondent — 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association

Panel Chair — 2014, 2015, 2016
Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association

Paper Reader — 2015
Language and Social Interaction Division, Southern States Communication Association

Paper Reader — 2013, 2014, 2015
Ethnography Interest Group, Southern States Communication Association

Paper Reader — 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

Applied Communication Division, Southern States Communication Association

Paper Reader — 2014

Communication and Aging Division, National Communication Association 2014

Paper Reader — 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Health Communication Division, National Communication Association

Paper Reader — 2013

Ethnography Division, National Communication Association

Departmental Service - Kent State University at Stark

Regional Campus Representative to the Faculty Advisory Committee — 2017-2019

Departmental Service - University of Memphis

Search Committee Member Tenure-Track Faculty Member in Media Studies — 2015-2016

Search Committee Member, Visiting Faculty Member in Media Studies — 2015

Undergraduate Program Committee Member — 2015-2016

“Let’s Talk Health” Radio Program Working Group — 2013-2016

Graduate Awards (Research) Committee Member — 2013-2016

Lambuth Campus Committee Member — 2013-2014

University Service - University of Memphis

Benjamin L. Hooks Institute for Social Change Advisory Committee — 2016

Teaching and Learning Technologies Advisory Committee — 2015-2016