CURRICULUM VITAE FREDERICK D. MILLER

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EDUCATION

PhD, Theatre and Performance Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, expected completion 2027

MA, Theatre and Performance Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, expected completion 2024

BA, Theatre, Penn State University, University Park, PA, 2022

BA, Comparative Literature, Penn State University, University Park, PA, 2022

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University

Spring 2021 & 2022

American Musical Theatre History: From 9/11 to COVID-19, Penn State University Instructor undergraduate course surveying the American musical theatre from the 9/11 terrorist attacks through the COVID-19 pandemic. Through the Penn State Students Teaching Students program.

Spring 2020 & Fall 2020

Introduction to Musical Theatre, Penn State University

Teaching assistant for survey of American musical theatre. Lectured and led group discussions for this 220-student general education course.

Fall 2019

The Art of the Theatre, Penn State University

Teaching assistant to Dr. Jeanmarie Higgins. Survey of theatre. Led group discussions for this 800-student general education course.

Teaching Interests and Specialties

Musical Theatre History Dramaturgy

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Artistic Leadership

2022 – Present, Dramaturg, The J2 Spotlight Musical Theatre Company, New York City, NY

2022, Dramaturgy Intern, The J2 Spotlight Musical Theatre Company, New York City, NY

2021, Dramaturgy Intern & Teaching Artist, Open Stage of Harrisburg, Harrisburg, PA

- 2020, Founding Artistic Director, The State Radio Players, State College, PA
- 2020 Present, Visiting Teaching Artist, Cumberland Valley High School, Mechanicsburg, PA

2019 - 2020, Teaching Artist, Allenberry Playhouse, Boiling Springs, PA

2018, Teaching Artist, Camp Hill Youth Summer Stage, Camp Hill, PA

<u>Dramaturgy</u>

Off-Broadway

2022, A Class Act, The J2 Spotlight Musical Theatre Company, dir. Robert W. Schneider

- 2022, A Day in Hollywood/A Night in the Ukraine, The J2 Spotlight Musical Theatre Company, dir. Robert W. Schneider & Deidre Goodwin
- 2022, The Baker's Wife, The J2 Spotlight Musical Theatre Company, dir. Robert W. Schneider

Professional

- 2022, A Summer Salute to the Best of Broadway, Allenberry Playhouse, dir. Steven L. Flom
- 2022, One Night On Broadway, Penn State Centre Stage, dir. Robert W. Schneider
- 2022, 54 Below Celebrates the Al Hirschfeld, Feinstein's/54 Below, dir. Robert W. Schneider & Jennifer Ashley Tepper
- 2021, Carole King's Tapestry LIVE, Open Stage, dir. Stuart Landon

2021, Over the Rainbow: Songs of Judy Garland, Open Stage, dir. Stuart Landon Penn State Centre Stage

2021, Andrew Lippa's The Wild Party, dir. Alison Morooney

2020, Angels in America: Millennium Approaches, dir. Rick Lombardo

2019, A Little Night Music, dir. Phillip Fazio

2019, To Kill a Mockingbird, dir. Susan H. Schulman

2019, Caroline, or Change, dir. Phillip Fazio

2019, Polaroid Stories, dir. Erik Raymond Johnson

Educational

2023, Beauty and the Beast, Cumberland Valley High School in assoc. w/ Disney Theatricals, dir. Steven L. Flom

2022, Results Will Vary*, Penn State University Student Orientation, dir. Rick Lombardo

2022, New Works Festival, festival dramaturg, Penn State University

2022, Footloose, Cumberland Valley High School, dir. Steven L. Flom

2021, 24 Hour Play Festival, festival dramaturg, Penn State University

2021, Welcome Home, devised musical, Open Stage Teen Studio, dir. Benny Benamati

2021, Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*, Cumberland Valley High School, dir. Steven L. Flom

Directing

2022, Golden Chances, musical cabaret, Penn State University

2021, Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*, associate director, Cumberland Valley High School

2019 & 2021, A Summer Salute to the Best of Broadway, associate director, Allenberry Playhouse

2020, Outcasts, reading, Penn State University

2020, 60 Seconds, radio play, The State Radio Players

2019, A Salute to Sondheim and Prince, musical cabaret, Penn State University

2019, Doubt: A Parable, Penn State University

2018, Seussical the Musical, associate director, Allenberry Playhouse, dir. Steven L. Flom

2017, *The Great Gatsby*, Cumberland Valley High School *2018 Hershey Theatre Apollo Award for Outstanding Play

Playwright

- 2022, Moving Day, reading, Penn State University, dir. Jennifer Delac
- 2021, *Headspace*, world premiere, Penn State University, dir. Sebastian Trainor *2022 KC/ACTF Region 2 Certificate of Merit for Playwriting
- 2020, Outcasts, reading, Penn State University
- 2020, 60 Seconds, radio play, The State Radio Players
- 2019, Stage Moms, world premiere, Mountain View Middle School, dir. Kelly Moul
- 2019, Weekend Visit, staged reading, Penn State University
- 2017, Outcasts, book and lyrics, The Pollock Center, dir. Joshua Miccio
- 2017, Outcasts, book and lyrics, staged reading, Cumberland Valley High School

Devised Theatre

- 2021, Welcome Home, dramaturg, Open Stage of Harrisburg, dir. Benny Benamati
- 2020, Take a Walk in My Shoes, dramaturg, Penn State University, dir. Jennifer Delac

2020, Pulling Back the Mask, lead devisor, Cumberland Valley High School

2020, #HereToo - New York, project associate, JCC Manhattan w/ Tectonic Theatre Project, dir. Barbara Pitts-McAdams and Jimmy Maize (cancelled due to COVID-19)

2019, #HereToo @ Penn State, project associate, Penn State University, dir. Barbara Pitts-McAdams and Jimmy Maize

2019, Ghostlight, lead devisor, Allenberry Playhouse

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

"Dear Evan Hansen: The Social Media Musical", Fifty Key Stage Musicals, Routledge. 2022.

Online Journals

2020, "Black Playwrights Matter: Critiquing the White, Cis-Male Critic". Medium.com

TALKS, PRESENTATIONS, MASTER CLASSES

2022, "A Crack in the Glass: Revolutionizing Williams' *The Glass Menagerie*". Emerging Scholars Undergraduate Debut Panel. MATC. Columbus, Ohio.

2021, "New Forms and Best Practices for Student-Driven, Interview-based Devised Plays from the Makers of #*HereToo*". ATHE. Virtual.

2021, "The 21st Century American Musical Theatre: Issues of Representation Onstage and Off". Undergraduate Research Exhibition. Penn State University.

2020, "Acting for Zoom". Virtual workshop. Cumberland Valley High School.

AWARDS & GRANTS

Awards

2022, Sue Carson Esprit de Corps Award, Penn State University

2022, Undergraduate Emerging Scholars Symposium Recipient, Mid-America Theatre Conference.

2021, Beinecke Scholarship Nominee, Penn State University

2021, Alumni Association Scholarship Recipient, College of Arts and Architecture, Penn State University

2021, LMDA KC/ACTF Region II Special Commendation for Outstanding Research for Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches

2020, Golumbic Scholarship Recipient for Humanistic Achievement, College of Arts and Architecture, Penn State University

2020, LMDA KC/ACTF Region II Outstanding Dramaturgy Award for A Little Night Music

2019, THEA 100 Undergraduate Award Recipient, Penn State University

Grants

2022, College of Liberal Arts Enrichment Funding, \$1,000, Penn State University

2020, Student Engagement Network Remote Innovation Grant, \$2,000, Penn State University

2019, Student Engagement Network Grant, \$500, Penn State University

BA COURSE WORK

Theatre History

History of American Musical Theatre, Dr. Susan B. Russell Theatre History I: Ancient Theatre – 1700s, Dr. Elizabeth Bonjean Theatre History II: 1700s – Present Day, Dr. Elizabeth Bonjean 21st Century Global Contemporary Drama – Dr. Elizabeth Bonjean American Theatre History, Dr. Malcolm Womack Modernism and Postmodernism, Sebastian Trainor

Dramaturgy, Theory, Criticism

Dramaturgy, Dr. Jeanmarie Higgins Research Methods, Dr. Jeanmarie Higgins Literature Criticism and Theory, Dr. Jonathan Eburne Gender and Theatre, Dr. Susan B. Russell

Directing Studios

Introduction to Directing, Sebastian Trainor Directorial Processes, Rick Lombardo

Playwriting

Playwriting, Dr. Susan B. Russell

REFERENCES

Dr. Jeanmarie Higgins, Penn State School of Theatre | jmh864@psu.edu

Dr. Susan B. Russell, Penn State School of Theatre | sbr13@psu.edu

Dr. Elizabeth Bonjean, Penn State School of Theatre | egb5212@psu.edu

Michael Schweikardt, Scenic Designer | michaelschweik@aol.com