

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1. Academic Appointments

2017 – present	Associate Head, Brian Lamb School of Communication Purdue University
2015 – present	Professor, Brian Lamb School of Communication Purdue University
2012 - 2016	Director, Linguistics Program School of Interdisciplinary Studies, Purdue University
2004 - 2015	Associate Professor Brian Lamb School of Communication, Purdue University
Summer 2006	Visiting Professor Hokusei Gakuen University Sapporo, Japan
1998 - 2004	Assistant Professor Purdue University, Department of Communication & Faculty Affiliate, Interdisciplinary Linguistics Program
1997 - 1998	Lecturer (Writing Program) University of Wisconsin-Madison, School of Business
1995 - 1997	Lecturer University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of English
Summer 1995	Lecturer Beloit College, Department of Linguistics

### 2. Awards and Honors

- 2014 **Distinguished Article Award**, National Communication Association, Family Communication Division, in recognition of the 2008 paper *Mothers' trait verbal aggressiveness as a predictor of maternal and child behavior during play-time interactions* by Wilson, S., Roberts, F., Rack, J., & Delaney, J.
- 2013 **Top Paper Award**, Southern States Communication Association, Division of Applied Communication (Louisville, KY). *Communicating Empathy and Bad News in the Post-Surgical Context: Insights from a Training Program in the Second Year of Surgical Residency* (with Gettings, Torbeck, & Helft)
- 2012 **Top Paper Award**, National Communication Association, Division of Language & Social Interaction (Orlando, FL). *An examination of morality in medical visits that address chronic pain* (with Kramer).

- 2011 **Selected** as 1 of 2 recipients campus-wide by Office of Purdue's Vice President for Research to attend Indiana University Poynter Center 4-day workshop on teaching research ethics.
- 2009 **Visiting Fellow**, Purdue University Center for Behavioral and Social Sciences.
- 2001 **Teach for Tomorrow**, Purdue University, for developing writing across curricula.
- 1994 **Award of Merit** from University of Wisconsin Comprehensive Cancer Center for "dedicated service and outstanding contributions to research and education programs."

### 3. Memberships in Academic, Professional, and Scholarly Associations

- a) National Communication Association
- b) American Association of Applied Linguists
- c) American Sociological Association (Associate Member)

## RESEARCH

### 1. Published Work

*On publications with multiple authorship, asterisks (\*) indicate that I am the primary author or that I share primary authorship with the co-author(s).*

*Quartile rankings for peer reviewed journals are presented with each citation (Q1=top quartile). These rankings are from SCImago (<http://www.scimagojr.com>) which is based on Scopus® database. See Guerrero-Bote & Moya-Anegón (2012) in *Journal of Informetrics* for details.*

#### a. Books

Roberts, F.D. (1999). *Talking about treatment*. Oxford University Press.  
Reviewed in *Social Science & Medicine; Language; Health Communication; Journal of Sociolinguistics*.

#### b. Refereed Articles in Peer Reviewed Journals

Foti, D. & Roberts, F. (2016). The neural dynamics of speech perception: Dissociable networks for processing linguistic content and monitoring speaker turn-taking. *Brain & Language*, 63–71. [Q1 Experimental & Cognitive Psychology]

Roberts\*, F. & Norris, A.M. (2016). Gendered expectations for "agreeableness" in response to requests and opinions. *Communication Research Reports*, 33:1, 16-23 [Q2 Social Sciences]

Roberts\*, F., Gettings, P., Torbeck, L., Helft, P. (2015). Reflection on Adverse Event Disclosure in the Postsurgical Hospital Context. *Journal of Surgical Education*, 72(4), 767-770 [Q1 Surgery; Q1 Education]

Owlett, J. S., Richards, K. A., Defreese, J. D., Wilson, S. R., & Roberts, F. D. (2015). Privacy Management in the Military Family during Deployment:

- Adolescents' Perspectives. *Journal of Family Communication*, 15(2), 141-158. [Q2 Communication]
- Roberts\*, F. & Francis, A.L. (2013). Identifying a temporal threshold of tolerance for silent gaps after requests. *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*, 133, EL 471-477. [Q1 Acoustics & Ultrasonics]
- Roberts\*, F. Margutti, P., Takano, S. (2011). Judgments concerning the valence of inter-turn silence across speakers of American English, Italian, and Japanese. *Discourse Processes*, 48, 331-354. [Q1 Social Sciences]
- Polite, E.J., Leonard, L.B., Roberts, F. (2011). The Use of definite and indefinite articles by children with specific language impairment. *International Journal of Speech- Language Pathology*, 13, 291-300. [Q2 Speech & Hearing]
- Balog, H., Roberts, F., & Snow, D. (2009). Discourse and intonation development in the first-word period. *Enfance*, 3, 293-304. [Q4 Social Sciences]
- Roberts\*, F. & Cimasko, T. (2008). Evaluating ESL: Making sense of university professors' responses to second language writing. *Journal of Second Language Writing*, 17, 125-143. [Q1 Language & Linguistics]
- Wilson, S., Roberts, F., Rack, J., & Delaney, J. (2008). Mothers' trait verbal aggressiveness as a predictor of maternal and child behavior during play-time interactions. *Human Communication Research*, 34, 392-422. [Q1 Communication]
- Roberts\*, F., Francis, A.L., & Morgan, M. (2006). The interaction of silence and prosodic cues in listener perception of 'trouble' in interaction. *Speech Communication*, 48, 1079-1093. [Q2 Computer Science & Signal Processing]
- Balog\*, H. & Roberts\*, F. (2004). Perception of utterance relatedness during the first-word period. *Journal of Child Language*, 31, 837-854. [Q1 Language & Linguistics]
- Roberts, F. (2004). Speaking to and for animals in a veterinary clinic: A practice for managing interpersonal interactions. *Research on Language and Social Interaction*, 37, 421-446. [Q1 Communication]
- Roberts\*, F. & Robinson\*, J.D. (2004). Inter-observer agreement on >first-stage= conversation analytic transcriptions. *Human Communication Research*, 30, 376-410. [Q1 Communication]
- Roberts, F. (2002). Qualitative differences among cancer clinical trial explanations. *Social Science & Medicine*, 55, 1947-1955. [Q1 Social Sciences/Health]
- Mattson\*, M. & Roberts\*, F. (2001). Overcoming truth-telling as an obstacle to initiating safer sex: Clients and health practitioners discussing deception during HIV test counseling. *Health Communication*, 13, 343-362. [Q1 Communication & Health (Social Science)]

Roberts, F. (2001) Teaching research methods using a problem-based learning approach. *Communication Teacher*, 16(1): 6-8. [Q3 Communication]

Costello\*, B. & Roberts\*, F. (2001). Medical recommendations as joint social practice. *Health Communication*, 13, 241-260. [Q1 Communication & Health (Social Science)]

Gill\*, V.T., Halkowski\*, T., & Roberts\*, F. (2001). Accomplishing a request without making one: A single case analysis of a primary care visit. *Text*, 21, 55-81. [Q1 Language & Linguistics]

Roberts, F. (2000). The interactional construction of asymmetry: The medical agenda as a resource for delaying response to patient questions. *The Sociological Quarterly*, 41, 151-170. [Q1 Social & Political Science]

- i. Reprinted in Wayne Beach (Ed.) *Handbook of Patient-Provider Interactions: Raising and Responding to Concerns about Life, Illness, and Disease*. Hampton Press.

Roberts\*, F.D., Newcomb, P.A., & Trentham, A. (1996). Self-reported stress and risk of breast cancer. *Cancer*, 77, 1089-1093. [Q1 Cancer Research/Oncology]

Rifkin\*, B.G. & Roberts\*, F.D. (1995). Error gravity research: A critical review. *Language Learning*, 45, 511-537. [Q1 Language & Linguistics]

Newcomb, P.A., Olsen, S.J., Roberts, F.D., Storer, B.E., & Love, R.R. (1995). Assessing breast self-examination. *Preventive Medicine*, 24, 255-258. [Q1 Medicine]

Roberts\*, F.D., Newcomb, P.A., & Fost, N. (1992). Perceived risks of participation in an epidemiologic study. *IRB: A Review of Human Subjects Research*, 15, 8-10. [Q1 Social Sciences]

c. Invited Chapters for Edited Volumes

Roberts, F. (2017). Qualitative approaches to clinician-patient communication. In Kissane, DW, Bultz, BD, Butow, PN, Bylund, CL, Noble, S., Wilkinson, S., Oxford Textbook of Communication in Oncology and Palliative Care (2nd edition). Oxford University Press, pp. 405 – 409.

Bauer\*, A. & Roberts\*, F. (2015). Veterinary-Client Interaction. In Karen Tracy (Ed.) *International Encyclopedia of Language & Social Interaction*. Wiley-Blackwell. (Online pages)

Roberts, F. (2015). Transcription. In Karen Tracy (Ed.) *International Encyclopedia of Language & Social Interaction*. Wiley-Blackwell. (Online pages)

Roberts\*, F. & Kramer, J. (2014). Request and refusal of opiates in the chronic pain context. In H. Hamilton & W. S. Chou (Eds.) *Handbook of Language and Health Communication*, pp. 477-489. New York, NY: Routledge.

Gill\*, V. T. & Roberts\*, F. (2012). Conversation Analysis in the Medical Context. In T. Stivers & J. Sidnell (Eds.) *Handbook of Conversation Analysis*. Blackwell-Wiley, 573-592.

Roberts, F. (2010). Qualitative approaches to clinician-patient communication In D.W. Kissane, B.D. Bultz, P. Butow, & I. Finlay (Eds.) *Handbook of Oncology and Palliative Care*, pp.695-705. Oxford University Press.

Wilson, S.R., Roberts, F., & Munz, E.A. (2010). Mother-child play: Collaboration or power struggle? In K. Galvin (Ed.), *Making connections: Readings in relational communication* (5th ed.), pp. 346-354. Cary, NC: Roxbury/Oxford University Press.

Roberts\*, F., Wilson, S., Delaney, J. & Rack, J. (2009). Interactional patterns as indicators of trait verbal aggressiveness. In D. Cahn (Ed.) *Communication Approaches to Family Violence*, pp. 155-178. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.

Roberts, F. (2008). Transcribing and Transcription. In W. Donsbach (Ed.) *International Encyclopedia of Communication*, Vol. XI., pp. 5161-5165. Oxford, UK & Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell.

d. Book Reviews

Roberts, F. (2001). Sociolinguistics: A reader and coursebook edited by Nikolas Coupland and Adam Jaworski. *Discourse & Society*, 12, 258.

Roberts, F. (2000). Language and gender by Mary M. Talbot. *Discourse Studies*, 2, 124- 125.

2. *Competitive Papers Delivered at Professional Meetings*

*Roberts is first author unless otherwise noted; secondary or co-authors noted in parenthesis at the end of the citation.*

*Where could the mechanics of intersubjectivity meet cognitive processing?*  
International Conference on Conversation Analysis, Los Angeles, CA, June 2014.

Recycling topics and activities across dinner gatherings as a means for establishing social alignment through epistemic balance. National Communication Association, Washington, D.C., November 2013 (with E. Strong).

Communicating Empathy and Bad News in the Post-Surgical Context: Insights from a Training Program in the Second Year of Surgical Residency. Southern States Communication Association, Division of Applied Communication (Louisville, KY). (with Gettings, Torbeck, & Helft), April 2013

Timing and cognitive processing in a dyadic framework: What gaps in conversation can teach us. Poster presented at Midwest Cognitive Science Meeting, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, May 2013.

An examination of morality in medical visits that address chronic pain. National Communication Association, Division of Language & Social Interaction. 98th Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, November 2012.

Extending Communication Privacy Management Theory: Topic Avoidance and Privacy Rules in Military Adolescents' Experiences of Deployment. National Communication Association, Orlando, FL, November 2012. (J. Owlett, first author)

"My Friends Don't Understand How it Feels": Exploring Perceptions of Feeling Understood among Adolescents who have Experienced the Deployment of a Military Parent. International Association for Relationship Research, Chicago, IL, July 2012 (S. Wilson, first author)

Requests, refusals, and the moral order in chronic pain primary care visits. American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV, August 2011.

Application of conversation analysis to the study of verbal aggression for the improvement of a community parenting program. American Association of Applied Linguists, Chicago, IL, March 2011. (with S. Wilson.)

Do patients' self reported goals connect with their request narratives during clinic visits for chronic pain? International Conference on Communication in Healthcare, Miami, FL, October 2009.

Qualitative Differences in Child Praise by Mothers High and Low in Child Abuse Potential. Central States Communication Association, Madison, WI, April, 2008 (with Munz, E. Delaney, J. & Wilson, S.R.).

Cross-linguistic comparison of listener perceptions of inter-turn silence: Confluence of grammar, culture, and turn-taking? National Communication Association, San Diego, CA, November 2008.

The interaction of inter-turn silence, sequence type, and prosody in American & Italian perceptions of trouble in interaction. American Association of Applied Linguistics, Washington, D.C. March 2008 (with Margutti, P.)

Inter-turn silence and prosody: Gender effects? National Communication Association. Chicago, IL. November 2007 (with Norris, A.)

The Interaction of silence and prosody in American and Japanese perceptions of trouble in Interaction. International Communication Association. San Francisco, CA. May 2007 (with Takano, S.)

A Qualitative Analysis of Mother-Child Play-Time Interactions Comparing Mothers High and Low in Trait Verbal Aggressiveness. National Communication Association, San Antonio, TX. 2006 (with Wilson, S.R., Delaney, J.E., and Rack, J.)

Inter-turn silence from 0-1200 ms. So what? National Communication Association, Boston, MA 2005 (with Francis, A.)

Caretaker moral character in the veterinary visit. International Association of Applied Linguistics, Madison, WI. 2005

"You bite?" Functionality of animal directed utterances in veterinary clinic visits. National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA. 2002

Reliability of transcription practices among professional conversation analysts. American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL. 2002

Determining criteria for utterance relatedness during the first-word-period. American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Atlanta, GA. 2002 (delivered by Balog, H.L.)

"Nigel's cute too . . ." Form and functionality of animal directed utterances. Poster presented at 1st Annual Conference on the Human-Animal Bond, Michigan State University, E. Lansing, MI. 2001

"Not a car salesman but . . ." Persuading patients to enroll in clinical trials. National Communication Association, Seattle, WA. 2000

Rhetorical practices for >selling= an experimental cancer treatment. American Association of Applied Linguistics, Vancouver, BC. 2000

Doing the deed: Design & implementation of survey research for a Purdue client. Problem Based Learning Forum, Center for Instructional Excellence, Purdue. 2000

Overcoming truth-telling as an obstacle to initiating safer sex: Collaborative construction of deception in pre-HIV test counseling sessions. National Communication Association, Chicago, IL. 1999 (with Mattson, M.)

The patient's request as a progressively realized project: A case study. National Communication Association, Chicago, IL. 1999 (with Gill, V.T. & Halkowski, T.)

Medical recommendations as joint social practice. Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, MN. 1999 (with Costello, B.)

Patient requests for medical intervention. Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, MN. 1999 (with Gill V.T. & Halkowski, T.)

Interactional construction of patient-provider roles. International Conference on Communication in Health Care. Amsterdam, The Netherlands. 1998

A grammatical analysis of recommendations for breast cancer treatment. American Association for Applied Linguistics, Chicago, IL. 1996

Recommendations for breast cancer treatment: A conversational achievement. American Association for Applied Linguistics, Chicago, IL. 1996

A conversation analysis of recommendations for breast cancer treatment. American Association for Applied Linguistics, Long Beach, CA. 1995

Self-reported stress and risk of breast cancer. Society for Behavioral Medicine, San Diego, CA. 1995

Evaluation of ESL writing by UW professors. WITESOL (regional TESOL conference) Madison, WI. 1994

The effect of writer identity on faculty evaluation of ESL writing. Milwaukee Linguistics Symposium, Milwaukee, WI. 1993

### 3. *Competitive Colloquia Organized for Professional Conferences*

Organizing talk through the body. American Association for Applied Linguistics, Vancouver, BC. 1999

Medical discourse and discourse practices. American Association for Applied Linguistics Chicago, IL. 1996

### 4. *Invited Papers for Professional Conferences*

The Art & science of diagnostic news delivery. International TESOL conference, Seattle, WA March 2017.

Where could the mechanics of intersubjectivity meet the hidden world of neuro-cognitive processing? International Conference for Conversation Analysis, Los Angeles, CA. June 2014.

Timing and cognitive processing in a dyadic framework: What can gaps in conversation teach us? 18th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Cognitive Psychology, Budapest, Hungary. September 2013

Current Projects in Applied Conversation Analysis: Strategies and Results. American Association of Applied Linguists, Chicago, IL, March 2011.

CA: Transcending macro-micro distinctions in organizational research. Invited paper for panel titled Multiple discursive approaches to organizational communication: (Or) what does it mean to study "discourse(s)" in organizations? National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA. 2002

### 5. Research Funding

#### a. Extramural Funding

2011 Clarian Health Partners funding award (#VFE-214) to Indiana University Medical Center for Ethical Communication Skills for Surgery Residents. (Felicia Roberts, subcontract Principle Investigator; \$18,000; April 2011 - Oct 2011)

#### b. Unfunded Extramural Applications

2014 NSF 1443319. Collaborative Proposal: *Modeling Gaze Behavior in Dialog to Reduce Wasted Transmission in Video Chat*. (N. Ward, PI. University of Texas-El Paso, Department of Computer Science. Submitted May 2014, \$600,240)



- 2013 NSF 1343078. Collaborative Proposal: *Reducing Transmission Requirements Using Models of Temporal Variation of Interactional Import* (with N. Ward, University of Texas-El Paso, Department of Computer Science. Submitted July 2013. \$1,200,000).
- 2005 NSF 0544907. Cross-linguistic study of silence in conversation. NSF, Division of Behavioral & Cognitive Science. (F. Roberts, Principal Investigator; Budget \$91,262.)
- 1999 R03 HS 10708-01: Agency for Health Care Policy and Research. Patients' Requests for Prescriptions in Primary Care. (V.Gill, Principle Investigator; Budget \$56,372.)

c. Internal Funding

- 2013 Enhancing Research for the Humanities and the Arts. \$48,026.20 (Alejandro Cuza, PI; Co-PIs: Czerwionka, L., Olson, D., Roberts, F.(0%))
- 2011 Office of Purdue's Vice President for Research; funding to attend Poynter Center 4-day workshop on teaching research ethics at Indiana University, Bloomington.
- 2007 Teaching Incentive Grant (CLA). Theater workshop to explore the public communication gap (\$750).
- 2006 Dean's Research Incentive Grant (CLA). Cross-linguistic study of silence (\$641).
- 2005 Dean's Research Incentive Grant (CLA). The valence of inter-turn silences. (\$936).
- 2005 Summer Support from CLA to Write an Extramural Research Grant (one month salary)
- 2002 Dean's Research Incentive Grant, School of Liberal Arts, Purdue University (\$590).
- 2002 Teaching Development Incentive Grant, School of Liberal Arts, Purdue University (\$581).
- 1999 Purdue Research Foundation, Summer Faculty Grant (\$5,000).
- 1995 Wisconsin Breast & Cervical Cancer Research Grant awarded to complete doctoral research (\$1,000).

6. Impact of research for diverse audiences

Research on silence in conversation covered in *Scientific American Mind*, September/October issue 2014, "Let's Talk" by Dingemanse & Enfield.  
doi:10.1038/scientificamericanmind0914-64

JConline That awkward silence: How a call for calm, quiet isn't so easy. Jan 31, 2012. <http://www.jconline.com/article/20120201/COLUMNISTS30/202010303>

New York Times (Nov 29, 2005). "Does Stress Cause Cancer? Probably Not, Research Finds" (by Gina Kolata). Coverage of Roberts et al (1996) on self-reported stress and risk of breast cancer. This paper has over 80 citations in national and international medical journals.

Oncology Times (2003; 25, Issue 21). "Communication Style May Sway Cancer Patients Regarding Clinical Trials". Coverage of Roberts (2002) research on cancer clinical trials explanations. Also cited outside the discipline in *Research Methods in Health Promotion, Contemporary Clinical Trials, Journal of Risk Research*.

## TEACHING

### Courses Taught at Purdue University

#### Undergraduate

1. Approaches to the Study of Interpersonal Communication (COM 212)
2. Essentials of Human Interaction (COM 412)
3. Gender Communication (COM 376)
4. Honors Section of Interpersonal Communication (COM 212H)
5. Presentational Speaking (COM 114)
6. Intercultural Communication (COM 303)
7. Relationship Communication (COM 372)
8. Internship & Research practicum for Interpersonal Comm majors (COM 498)
9. Research Methods (COM 304)
10. Sociolinguistics of African American English (COM 368)

#### Graduate

1. Communication Theory (COM 600)
2. Conversation Analysis (COM 682R)
3. Discourse Analysis (COM 590D)
4. Discourse in Medical Settings (COM 672S)
5. Ethical Issues in Bio-Medical Research (COM 590E)
6. Language and Gender (COM 612G)
7. Qualitative Methods in Communication Research (COM 585)
8. Sociolinguistics (COM 565)