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PHD IN RHETORIC AND PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION

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Susan Pagnac
Director of Writing,
Central College

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Clay Spinuzzi,
Professor of Rhetoric
and Writing,
University of Texas
at Austin

“IOWA STATE GAVE ME A THOROUGH GROUNDING IN RHETORICAL THEORY AND PRACTICE, RESEARCH METHODOLOGY, PEDAGOGICAL THEORY, AND APPLICATION. JUST AS IMPORTANTLY, THE FACULTY GENUINELY, GENEROUSLY GAVE THEIR TIME AND ATTENTION TO MY DEVELOPMENT AND SUCCESS AT ALL LEVELS—RESEARCH, TEACHING, AND SERVICE. THIS WAS A FOUNDATIONAL, INVALUABLE EXPERIENCE!”



Jacob Rawlins,
Assistant Professor
of Linguistics and
English language,
Brigham Young
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“IOWA STATE’S RPC PROGRAM TAUGHT ME THE RESEARCH AND TEACHING SKILLS I NEED IN THE EARLY STAGES OF MY ACADEMIC CAREER. MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE CLOSE NETWORK OF RPC STUDENTS AND ALUMNI HAS PROVIDED ME WITH PRODUCTIVE COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIPS AND VERY GOOD FRIENDS.”

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