Curriculum Vitae

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University at Buffalo
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EDUCATION

2012 **Ph.D.** Communication Studies

Department of Communication, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Advisor: Dr. Mike Allen

Dissertation: The role of chaplains in end-of-life care: A coordinated management

of meaning approach to interaction.

2008 M.A. Communication Studies

Department of Communication, Missouri State University

Advisor: Dr. Kelly S. Wood (McNeilis)

Thesis: Doctor-patient communication: Applications of neurosurgery in

telemedicine

Certificate: Conflict Dispute and Resolution

2006 **B.S.** Communication Studies

Ohio University, Athens, Ohio.

Minor: Public Relations, Advertising and Management

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Fall 2021 – Present	Assistant Professor
	Department of Communication, SUNY Buffalo
Fall 2020 - Spring 2021	Clinical Associate Professor
	Department of Communication, SUNY Buffalo
2014 - Summer 2020	Clinical Assistant Professor
	Department of Communication, SUNY Buffalo
2019 - Fall 2020	Adjunct Assistant Professor
	Department of Communication, University of Wisconsin-
	Milwaukee

2013 - 2014	Assistant Professor
	Department of Communication Studies, Bloomsburg
	University of Pennsylvania
2012 - 2013	Full-time Temporary Instructor
	Department of Communication Studies, Bloomsburg
	University of Pennsylvania
2008 - 2012	Graduate Teaching Assistant
	Department of Communication, University of Wisconsin-
	Milwaukee
2006 - 2008	Graduate Teaching Assistant
	Department of Communication, Missouri State University
GRANTS &	FUNDED RESEARCH
2025	Role: Co-Investigator. The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (HFES).
	\$5000.00 (Under Review). Wurst, C. Chen, W., Singh, R., Wahler, R. G. Jr.,
	Jacobs, D., & Tenzek, K. E.
2025	Role: Co-Investigator. Clinical and Translational Science Institute, University
	at Buffalo. \$5000.00. (Under Review). Improving Geriatric Patient Safety at
	Hospital Discharge Using Patient-Friendly Artificial Intelligence Medical
	Discharge Instructions (AIM-DI). Baumgartner, A. D., Casucci, S., Tenzek,
2022 2025	K. E., Sharman, R., & R. Singh.
2023 – 2025	Role: Co-Principal Investigator. United States Deprescribing Network
	(USDeN). \$5000.00 Planning an educational intervention using Team Alice
	videos: A community collaboration with Mobile Primary Care for
	medication harm prevention and safety. Monte, S., Tenzek, K. E., Wahler,
	R. Singh., R., Stoll, J., Wahler, A., Kueker, M. & Lattimer, T. A.
2018	Role: Collaborator. Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Legacy Fund. \$11,384.00.
	Photographs of meaning: A social media intervention for caregivers of
	seriously ill children. Palliative Care Institute research team, Depner, R.
	M., Grant, C. P., Levy, K., & Tenzek, K. E. *Authors in alphabetical order.
2017	Role: Collaborator. Roswell Park Cancer Institute. \$50,000.
	Meaning-making in young adult cancer patients through social media and
	"talking pictures" Roswell Park Cancer Institute Alliance Foundation.
	Principal Investigator: Lynda Beaupin
2011 – 2012	Role: Co-Principal Investigator. Central States Federation Prize. \$3,000.
	Chaplain communication in end-of-life situations. Co-Principal
	Investigators: Emily Cramer, Mike Allen, UW-Milwaukee
2007	Thesis Funding Grant. \$500. Assistance with travel, supplies, participant

gifts, and transcription of the thesis project.

A. Submitted, not funded grants

Integrating the voice of bereaved caregivers into the Photographs of meaning program for Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias (POM-AD) advance care planning. Retired Research Foundation- Foundation for Aging. Requested amount \$185,000.00.

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Dying in a Secular World: Difficult Dialogues Related to Quality Living Throughout End-of -Life (EOL). Mother Cabrini Heath Foundation. Requested amount \$181,026.00.

PUBLICATIONS

A. Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- 38. Scheinfeld, E., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Cherry, J. (2024). Embracing endings: Unveiling the connection between final conversations, the opportunity model for presence, and coping the with the death of our parents, *Omega Journal of Death and Dying*. **Impact factor 1.5**
- 37. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Levy, K., Grant, P. C., Depner, R. M., Pailler, M. E., Beaupin, L. K., & Lattimer, T. A. (2024). Pushing innovative boundaries: A meaning-making intervention to capture the experiences of family caregivers of children and adolescents with palliative care needs. *Journal of Applied Communication Research*. **Impact factor 1.6**
- 36. Mackenzie, L. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2024). Marines' Reflections on End-of-Life Communication: Connecting Resilience and Difficult Dialogue. *International Journal of Collaborative-Dialogic Practices*.
- 35. *Weinschreider, J. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Foltz-Ramos, K., Jungquist, C., Livingston, J. (2024). Electronic health record competency in graduate nurses: A grounded theory study, *Nursing Education Today*. **Impact factor 3.9**
- 34. Scheinfeld, E., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Cherry, J. (2023). Survivors' perspectives on saying goodbye: Implications for a good death and grieving process. *Death Studies*. **Impact factor 4.3**
- 33. *Lattimer, T. A., **Tenzek, K. E.,** & Ophir, Y. (2023). Shouts from the void: A mixed-method analysis surrounding the online chronic illness community, #NEISVoid. *Health Communication*. **Impact Factor 3.9**
- 32. *Tenzek, K. E., Lapan, E., Ophir, Y., & Lattimer, T. A. (2023). Staying connected: Alzheimer's hashtags and opportunities for engagement and overcoming stigma. *Journal of Aging Studies*. Impact factor 2.7
- 31. *Tenzek K. E., Lattimer, T. A., Heneveld, K., Lapan, E., Neurohr, M., & Gillis, S. (2023). Mediated depictions of mental health, chronic care, and literacy: A narrative analysis of Randall's mental health journey in the television series, *This is Us. Frontiers in Psychiatry*. Impact factor 5.4

- 30. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Grant, P. C., Depner, R. M., Levy, K., & Byrwa, D. J. (2022). Clinician communication in hospice: Constructions of reality throughout the end-of-Life process. *OMEGA Journal of Death and Dying*, *0*(0). https://doi.org/10.1177/00302228221116719 **Impact factor 2.6**
- 29. *Lattimer, T. A., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Ophir, Y., Sullivan, S. S. (2022). Exploring webbased Twitter conversations surrounding National Healthcare Decisions Day and advance care planning from a sociocultural perspective: Computational mixed methods analysis. *JMIR formative research*, *6*(4), e35795. https://doi.org/10.2196/35795 **Impact factor 2.2**
- 28. Striley, K., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Field-Springer, K. (2022). Difficult dialogues about death: An application of risk orders theory to chaplains providing care at end-of-life. *Health, Risk & Society.* 24 (3-4), 167-185. **Impact factor 2.6**
- *Nickels, B., **Tenzek, K. E.,** & Lattimer, T. (2021). *This is Us*: An analysis of mediated end-of-life family communication. *Journal of Death and Dying, 87*(4). 1238–1258. https://doi.org/10.1177/00302228211036307 **Impact factor 2.6**
- 26. Depner, R. M., Grant, P. C., Byrwa, D. J. LeFevre, S. M., Kerr, C. W., **Tenzek, K. E.**,...& Levy, K. (2020). A consensual qualitative research analysis of the end of life dream and vision experiences of people enrolled in hospice homecare. *Palliative Medicine Reports.* **Impact factor 2.5**
- 25. Levy, K., Grant, P. C., Depner, R. M., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Beaupin, L. K. Pailler, M. E. & Brewer-Spritzer, E. (2020). The photographs of meaning program for pediatric palliative caregivers and its impact on meaning, well-being, and perceived social support. *Palliative Medicine Reports*, *1*(1), 84-91. https://doi.org/10.1089/pmr.2020.0046 **Impact factor 2.5.**
- 24. Pailler, M. E., Beaupin, L. K., Brewer-Spritzer, E., Grant, P. C., Depner, R. M.,...& **Tenzek, K. E.** (2020). Reaching adolescent and young adult cancer patients through social media: Impact of the photographs of meaning program. *Journal of Adolescent and Young Adult Oncology*, 9(4), 508-513. https://doi.org/10.1089/jayao.2019.0140 **Impact factor 1.8**
- 23. Levy, K., Grant, P. C., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Depner, R. M., Pailler, M. E. & Beaupin, L. K. (2020). The experience of pediatric palliative caregiving: A qualitative analysis from the photographs of meaning program, *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine*. *37*(5), 364-370. https://doi.org/10.1177/1049909119879413

 Impact factor 2.1
- 22. Grant, P.C., Depner, R.M., Levy, K., LaFever, S.M., **Tenzek, K.,** Wright, S.T. & Kerr, C.W. (2020). Family caregiver perspectives on end-of-life dreams and visions during bereavement: A mixed methods approach. *Journal of Palliative Medicine*, 23(1), 48–53. https://doi.org/10.1089/jpm.2019.0093 **Impact factor 2.9**
- 21. Pederson, J. R., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Kloeber, D., Striley, K., & Bender, J. (2019). Social rejection experiences among first-year college students. *Iowa Journal of Communication*, *51*, 253-282. Impact factor not available.
- 20. Levy, K., Grant, P. C., Depner, R. M., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Pailler, M. E., Beaupin, L. K...& Byrwa, D. J. (2019). The photographs of meaning program for pediatric

palliative caregivers (POM-PPCG): Feasibility of a novel meaning-making intervention. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine*, *36*(7), 557–563. https://doi.org/10.1177/1049909118824560 **Impact factor 2.1**

- 19. Beaupin , L. K., Pailler, M. E., Brewer-Spritzer, E., Kishel, E., Grant, P. C., Depner, R.M., **Tenzek, K. E.,** & Breier, J. M. (2018). Photographs of meaning: A novel social media intervention for adolescent and young adult cancer patients. *Psycho-Oncology*, *28*(1), 198–200. https://doi.org/10.1002/pon.4896 **Impact factor 3.9**
- 18. May, A., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2018). Bullying in the academy: Understanding the student bully and the targeted "stupid, fat, mother fucker" professor. *Teaching in Higher Education*, 23(3). https://doi.org/10.1080/13562517.2017.1379482 **Impact factor 2.8**
- 17. **Tenzek, K. E.** & Depner, R. M. (2017). Still searching: A meta-synthesis of a good death from the family perspective. Special issue family communication at the end-of-life. *Behavioral Sciences*, 7(2), 25. https://doi.org/10.3390/bs7020025

 Impact factor 2.3
- *Tenzek, K. E., & Nickels, B. (2017). End-of-Life (EOL) in Disney and Pixar films: An opportunity for engaging in difficult conversation. *Omega: Journal of Death and Dying, 80*(1), 49-68. https://doi.org/10.1177/0030222817726258 *published with graduate student. **Impact factor 2.6**
- 15. Herrman, A. R., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2017). Communication privacy management: A thematic analysis of revealing and concealing eating disorders in an online community. *Qualitative Research Reports*, *18*(1), 54-63. http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/17459435.2017.1294617 **Impact factor 0.8**
- 14. May, A., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2016). "A gift we are unable to create ourselves": Surrogacy and the journey to parenthood for gay men. *Journal of LGBT Family Studies*, 12(5), 430-450. http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/1550428X.2015.1128860 **Impact Factor 2.6**
- 13. Song, H. Omori, K. Kim, J., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Hawkins, J. M. Lin, W.,...Jung, J. (2016). Trusting social media as a source of health information: Comparison among U.S., Korea, and Hong Kong. *Journal of Medical Internet Research*, *18*(3). http://dx.doi.org/10.2196/jmir.4193 **Impact factor 7.0**
- 12. Simmons, N., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2016). "Listening is an act of love": Learning listening through StoryCorps. *Communication Teacher*, *30*(1), 17-21. doi:10.1080/17404622.2015.1102307 **Impact factor 0.7**
- 11. Cramer, E. M., **Tenzek, K. E., &** Allen, M. (2015). Recognizing success in the chaplain profession: Connecting perceptions with practice. *Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy*, 21(4), 131-150. doi:10.1080/08854726.2015.1071543 **CiteScore 2.8**
- 10. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Herrman, A. A., May, A. Feiner, B., & Allen, M. (2013). Examining the impact of parental disclosure of HIV on children: A meta-analysis. *Western Journal of Communication*, 77, 323-339. **CiteScore 1.8**
- 9. Cramer, E., **Tenzek, K. E.,** & Allen, M. (2013). Translating spiritual care in the chaplain profession. *Journal of Pastoral Care and Counseling*, 67(1), 1-15 **CiteScore 0.5**

8. Song, H., Kim, J., **Tenzek, K.** E., & Lee, K. (2013). The effects of competition and competitiveness upon intrinsic motivation in exergames. *Computers in Human Behavior*, 29(4), 1702-1708. doi:10.1016/j.chb.2013.01.042 **Impact factor 8.95**

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- 7. Cramer, E., & **Tenzek**, **K. E.** (2012). The chaplain profession from the employer perspective: An analysis of hospice chaplain job advertisements. *Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy*, *18*, 133-150. **CiteScore 2.8**
- Kim, S., Allen, M., Gattoni, A., Grimes, D., Herrman, A., Huang, H., Kim, J., Lu, S., Maier, M., May, A., Omachinski, K., Omori, K., Tenzek, K. E., Turkiewicz, K., & Zhang, Y. (2012). Testing an additive model for the effectiveness of Evidence on the persuasiveness of a message. *Social Influence*, 7, 65-77. https://doi.org/10.1080/15534510.2012.658285 Impact factor .58
- 5. May, A. & **Tenzek, K.E.** (2011). Seeking Mrs. Right: Uncertainty reduction in online surrogacy ads. *Qualitative Research Reports in Communication*, 12, 27-33. **Impact factor 0.8**
- 4. Gattoni, A., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2010). The practice: An analysis of the factors influencing the training of health care participants in a digital culture. *Communication Education*, 59, 263-273. **CiteScore 3.0**
- 3. Gattoni, A. & **Tenzek**, **K.E.** (2010). The practice: Improving doctor-patient Communication. *Communication Currents*, 5. NCA publication, no impact factor
- 2. Turkiewicz, K. L., Kim, J., **Tenzek, K.**, & Antos, A.R. (2010). Behind the scenes: Life as an editorial assistant. *Communication Monographs*, *77*, 452-459. **Impact factor 2.6**
- 1. Peterson, J. L., Johnson, M. A., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2010). Spirituality as a life line: Women living with HIV and the role of spirituality in their support system, *The Journal of Interdisciplinary Feminist Thought*, *4*, 1-26. Impact factor not available.

B. Books

1. Beck, C. S., Aubuchon, S., Simmons, N., **Tenzek, K.** E., & Ruhl, S., (2015). *Celebrity health narratives and the public health.* McFarland & Company, Inc., Publishers.

C. Chapter Contributions

- 8. Nickels, B. & **Tenzek**, **K.** (2022). Family communication at end-of-Life: Research and strategies for presence and engagement. In Lurrs, G. M. (Ed.), *Handbook of Research on Communication Strategies for Taboo Topics* (pp. 241-260). Information Science Reference. https://doi.org/10.4018/978-1-7998-9125-3
- 7. Mackenzie, L. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2018). Cultural variation in end-of-life conversations: Using CuDA as a tool to analyze case studies designed for professional military education. In M. Scollo & T. Milburn (Eds.), *Engaging and Transforming Global Communication through Cultural Discourse Analysis: A Tribute to Donal Carbaugh* (pp. 91-110). Farleigh Dickinson University Press.

6. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2017). Snowball sampling. In M. Ellen (Ed.), *SAGE Encyclopedia of Communication Research Methods*. SAGE Publications, Inc.

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- 5. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2017). Field notes. In M. Ellen (Ed.), *SAGE Encyclopedia of Communication Research Methods*. SAGE Publications, Inc.
- 4. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2017). Negative case analysis. In M. Ellen (Ed.), *SAGE Encyclopedia of Communication Research Methods*. SAGE Publications, Inc.
- 3. Cramer, E. M., **Tenzek, K. E.,** & Allen, M. (2015). Spirituality, social support, and the communicative role of the chaplain in veteran populations. In L. M. Webb & E. Sahlstein (Eds.), *A communication perspective on the military: Interactions, messages, and discourses* (pp. 81-99). New York: Peter Lang International.
- 2. Bauman, I., Bourhis, J. Timmerman, L., Allen, M., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2014). Reducing homophobia: A meta-analytic summary of technique effectiveness. In N. Burrell, M. Allen, R. Preiss, and B. Gayle (Eds.), *Interpersonal Conflict Communication Research: Advances Through Meta-analysis*. New York: Routledge.
- 1. Benoit, W., Allen, M., Burrell, N., Cattopadhyay, S., Cherry, K., Comeau, T., ... & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2014). Evaluation of accounts: A meta-analysis. In N. Burrell, M. Allen, R. Preiss, and B. Gayle (Eds.), *Interpersonal Conflict Communication Research: Advances Through Meta-analysis*. New York: Routledge.

D. Additional Web-Based Publications

1. **Tenzek, K. E.** & Carviou, J. (2017, September 19). When imperfect can be perfect: Lessons learned from Carrie Fisher's life and death. In Media Res: A Media Commons Project. https://mediacommons.org/imr/2017/09/18/when-imperfect-can-be-perfect-lessons-learned-carrie-fishers-life-and-death

E. Manuscripts Under Review

- 1. **Tenzek, K. E.** & Sullivan, S. (Revise and Resubmit). Stopping aggressive treatment or hoping for a miracle: An analysis of spiritual care messages for terminally ill patients using the National Survey of Religious Leaders. *Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy*.
- 2. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Lee, D. S., Lattimer, T. A., & Mackenzie, L. & Lapan, E. "Those conversations are extremely vivid in my mind some 40+ years later. They haunt me": Investigating reconstrual, final conversations, and posttraumatic growth in a military context. *Death Studies*.
- 3. Olbrich, C. L., Tenzek, K.E., Stoll, J. Singh, R., Whaler, R.G., Rahgozar, A., G. Raffloer, G., Sharma, S., & Baumgartner, A. D. (Under Review). Older adults' perceptions of AI in health care: A quantitative analysis. *The Gerontologist*.
- 4. Lattimer, T. A., Tenzek, K., & Ophir, Y. (*Under Review*). Alzheimer's disease and related dementias in the Deaf community: A scoping review. *Public Health Reports*.

F. Select Working Papers and Projects

1. Patient and caregiver perspectives on medication safety for older adults during transitions of care: A mixed-methods analysis. Lattimer, T. A., Stoll, J., Wahler, A., Chen, W., Wurst, C., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Singh, R., & Wahler, R. G Jr.

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- 2. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Chen, W., Brady, L., Wurst, C., Carlson, J., Singh, R., Monte, S., & Wahler, R. G Jr. Doctor-patient deprescribing conversations: A multidisciplinary analysis of quality assurance videos.
- 3. Lee, B., Green, M., & **Tenzek**, **K E.** Stories facilitating difficult conversations.
- 4. Tenzek, K. E. & Mackenzie, L. End-of-life communication understandings and experiences among Marines.
- 5. AI and medication safety for older adults: A qualitative analysis. **Tenzek, K.E.,** Olbrich, C. L., Stoll, J. Singh, R., Wahler, R.G., Rahgozar, A., G. Raffloer, G., Sharma, S., & Baumgartner, A. D.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2025	Top Paper in Interpersonal Communication Division. Eastern
	Communication Association, Buffalo, NY.
2025	Top Paper Panel in Health Communication Division. Eastern
	Communication Association, Buffalo, NY.
2023	National Survey of Religious Leaders (NSRL) Award.
	Early access to data and \$2000.00 Honorarium.
2022	Top Paper Award in Communication as Social Construction Division.
	National Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.
2022	Top Paper Panel in Communication and Aging Division. National
	Communication Association, New Orleans, LA.
2017	Top Paper Panel in SoTL Division. National Communication Association,
	Dallas, TX.
2015	Advanced Consortium on Cooperation, Conflict, and Complexity (AC4)
	Fellowship. Awarded through Earth Institute Columbia University.
	Traveled to Munich, Germany, to participate in the CMM Learning Exchange.
2014	Top Paper Panel in Interpersonal and Small Group Interest Group. Central
	States Communication Association, Minneapolis, MN.
2013	Nomination for Top Paper Award in Nonverbal Communication Division,
	Washington, DC.
2013	Top Poster Presentation in Ohio Communication Association, Marietta,
	OH.
2013	Top Paper Panel in Communication as Social Construction Division.
	National Communication Association, Washington, DC.
2013	Top Paper Panel in Spiritual Communication Division. National
	Communication Association, Washington, DC.

2013 Top Paper Panel in Health Communication Interest Group. Central States Communication Association, Kansas City, MO.

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- Top Paper in Health Communication Interest Group. Western Communication Association Convention, Reno, NV.
- Top Paper Panel in Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Division. Central States Communication Association, Milwaukee, WI.
- 2010 Top Paper Award in National Argumentation and Forensics Division. Communication Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2010 Top Two Paper in Communication and Technology Division. International Communication Association, Singapore.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 120. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Lattimer T. A., Covert, J. & Stefanone, M. (Under Review). Media consumption, production and grief: An analysis of contingences of self-worth and end-of-life communication. National Communication Association
- 119. Olbrich, C. L., **Tenzek, K.E.,** Stoll, J. Singh, R., Whaler, R.G., Rahgozar, A., G. Raffloer, G., Sharma, S., & Baumgartner, A. D. (2025). Older adults' perceptions of AI in health care: A quantitative analysis. University at Buffalo Resident and Fellow Research Day.
- 118. **Tenzek, K. E.** & Fitzgerald, K. (2025). "Meaningful grief?: Media depictions of death and bereavement. Moral Media Conference, Buffalo, NY.
- 117. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Lattimer, T. A., Wang, H. & Lapan, E. (2025). Dying in Primetime: An analysis of *This Is Us'* portrayal of caregiving and advance Care planning with Alzheimer's Disease. Moral Media Conference, Buffalo NY.
- 116. Gillis, S. J., Lattimer, T. A., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2025). "I'd be scared of getting it stuck": Understanding perceptions of menstrual cups among U.S. menstruators. Eastern Communication Association. Buffalo, NY. *Top paper panel.
- 115. Nickels, B., **Tenzek, K. E.** & Coley, R. (2025). "COVID robbed me of that": Navigating final conversations and grief in the time of COVID-19. Eastern Communication Association, Buffalo NY. *Top paper panel.
- 114. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Ophir, Y., Lattimer, T. A., Deyneka, M., & Espinal, A. (2025). Science narratives around controversial innovations: Comparing dynamic discourse around an Alzheimer's drug, Aduhelm, across local, national, and social media. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*.
- 113. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Cherry, J., Lattimer, T. A., & Scheinfeld, E. (2025). Making sense of time: Exploring temporal narratives in end-of-life communication. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*.
- 112. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Neurohr M., Leong, Y., Lattimer, T. A. & Frank, M. (2025). "I don't know, it happens [to] everyone, so it can't be that bad.": Readiness, expectations, and reactions to multi-modal content related to end-of-life. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*.
- 111. Leong, Y. & Tenzek, K. E. (2025). Dolls for dementia: A netnography of realistic

- baby dolls among dementia caregivers on TikTok. D.C. Health Communication Conference.
- 110. Lattimer, T. A., **Tenzek, K. E.** & Wang, H. (2025). *This Is Us* Alzheimer's storyline as entertainment-education: A narrative analysis. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*.
- 109. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2025). Demystifying the methodological approaches for community-engaged health communication research. Panel participant.
- 108. Lattimer, T. A. & **Tenzek**, **K. E.** (2025). An analysis of Deaf caregiver experiences surrounding Alzheimer's disease and related dementias: A community-engaged study. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*.
- 107. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Monte, S., Wahler, R. G Jr. Stoll, J. Wahler, A. Lattimer, T. A., & Singh, R. (2025). Piloting a medication safety video for assisted living facility (ALF) residents and family caregivers. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*.
- 106. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Olbrich, C. L., Stoll, J., Rahgozar, A., Singh, R., Sharma, S. & Baumgartner, A. D. (2025). Older adults' perceptions of AI in health care: A thematic analysis. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*.
- 105. Lattimer, T. A. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2025). Alzheimer's disease and related dementias in the Deaf community: A scoping review. *Eastern Communication Association*, Buffalo, New York, USA. Health Communication Division.
- 104. Neurohr, M., Lattimer, T. A., Leong, Y. Y., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Frank, M. G. (2025). Exploring the Role of Nonverbal Behavior within End-of-Life Conversations. Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Denver, CO.
- 103. Olbrich, C. L., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Stoll, J., Rahgozar, A., Singh, R., Sharma, S. & Baumgartner, A. D. (2024). Perceptions of the use of artificial intelligence in healthcare by older adults. North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG). Québec City, Quebec, Canada.
- 102. Sullivan, S. S. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2024). What do you believe? Exploring clergy leaders' messages to terminally ill patients through an analysis of the National Survey of Religious Leaders. Poster session at the *McGill International Palliative Care Congress*. Montreal, Canada.
- 101. Wurst, C., Chen, W., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Brady, L., Wahler, A., Faulkner, G., Baumgartner, A., Singh, R., Monte, S., & Wahler, R. G Jr. (2024). Physician perspectives on decision-making processes in deprescribing with older adults in primary care. Clinical Pearl at the *International Conference on Deprescribing*. Nantes, France.
- 100. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Monte, S., Wahler, R. G Jr. Stoll, J. Wahler, A. Lattimer, T. A., & Singh, R. (2024). Spreading the message: Introducing Team Alice educational medication safety videos to at risk older adults. Poster session at the *United States Deprescribing Network (USDEN) Conference*, Boston, MA
- 99. Wurst, C., Chen, W., **Tenzek, K. E.,** Brady, L., Wahler, A., Faulkner, G., Baumgartner, A., Monte, S., Singh, R. & Wahler, R. G Jr. (2024). The cognitive work of deprescribing: A human factors pilot. Poster session at the

- United States Deprescribing Network (USDEN) Conference, Boston, MA
- 98. Wahler, A., Stoll, J., Olbrich, C., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Wahler, R. G., & Singh, R. (2024). Development of the Team Alice Senior Center Curriculum on medication safety. Poster session at the *United States Deprescribing Network (USDEN) Conference*, Boston, MA.
- 97. Lapan, E., Ophir, Y., Kountz, K., Walter, D., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Wang, R., Nikolaev, A., & Semenov, A. (2024). A pill of many colors: Negotiating extremist red-pill ideologies on Reddit. Abstract submitted to the *American Political Science Association's Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA.
- 96. Scheinfeld, E. **Tenzek, K. E.** & Cherry, J. (2024). Embracing endings: Unveiling the connection between final conversations, the opportunity model for presence, and coping the with the death of our parents. *International Association for Relationship Research*, Boston, MA.
- 95. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Lee, D. S., Lattimer, T. A., & Mackenzie, L. & Lapan, E. (2024). Opportunities for engagement: Reconstrual, final conversations and post-traumatic growth in a military context. *International Communication Conference*, Gold Coast Australia.
- 94. Lattimer, T. A., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Ophir, Y. (2024). Alzheimer's and advocacy: A mixed-methods analysis of chronic care, engagement and campaign efforts in the #EndAlz campaign across a decade. *Kentucky Conference on Health Communication*, Lexington, KY.
- 93. Leong, Y. Y., Gillis, S., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2024). The interplay of trust and emotions: Examining sexually transmitted infection risk perceptions among women who have sex with women. *Kentucky Conference on Health Communication*, Lexington, KY.
- 92. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Scheinfeld, E., & Cherry, J. (2024). "I regret having the 'last talk,' honestly": Final conversations and making sense of the loss of a parent. *Kentucky Conference on Health Communication*, Lexington, KY.
- 91. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Myrick, J. M., & Ophir, Y. (2024). Disney princess, depression, drugs, and death: Comparing news coverage of celebrity Coco Lee's death. Submitted to the *Kentucky Conference on Health Communication*, Lexington, KY.
- 90. **Leong, Y. Y.**, Gillis, S., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2023). False Immunity? Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infection Risk Perceptions among Women Who Have Sex with Women (WSW). *109th National Communication Conference*, Health Communication Division, National Harbor, MD.
- 89. Scheinfeld, E., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Cherry, J. (2023). Survivors' perspectives on saying goodbye: Implications for a good death and grieving process. *109th National Communication Conference*, Communication & Aging Division, National Harbor, MD.
- 88. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Lattimer, T. A., Leong, Y. Y., Neurohr, M., & Neiheisel, J. (2023). Who do you trust?: A mixed-methods analysis of conversations with health care providers regarding starting, stopping, or changing medications. *109th National*

- Communication Conference, Health Communication Division, National Harbor, MD.
- 87. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Lattimer, T. A., Neurohr, M., Lapan, E., Gillis, S., & Wang, H. (2023). Recognize, accept, and make a plan: A qualitative analysis of This is Us, portrayals of Alzheimer's Disease, caregiving, and advance care planning. *109th National Communication Conference*, Communication & Aging Division, National Harbor, MD.
- 86. **Tenzek, K. E.** Socially (de)constructing medical encounters: Deprescribing through a social constructionist lens. (2023). *109th National Communication Conference*, Communication as Social Construction Division, National Harbor, MD.
- 85. Wurst, C. Chen, W., Wahler, R., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Singh, R., Cosmai, M., Wahler, A., & Monte, S. (2023). Control task analysis of the deprescription process: A pilot study. Human Factors and Ergonomics Society. *67th Annual Conference*, Washington, DC.
- 84. Lattimer, T. A., Wang, H., Green, M. C., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2023). What if I lose my identity as a Deaf person?": An analysis of narrative mechanisms in the television series, Switched at Birth. *International Communication Association*, Mass Communication Division.
- 83. Lattimer, T. A., Ophir, Y., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2023). Shouts from the Void: A Mixed-Method Analysis Surrounding the Online Chronic Illness Community, #NEISVoid. *National Communication Association*, Health Communication Division, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
- 82. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Stoll, J., Wahler, A., Wahler, R., & Singh, R. (2022). "I want my husband to live well and die of natural causes not somebody's I don't care attitude": Older patient perceptions of trust in doctor-patient interactions. Paper in process NCA. *National Communication Association*, Health Communication Division, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
- 81. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Lapan, E., Ophir, Y., & Lattimer, T. A. (2022). Staying connected: Alzheimer's hashtags and opportunities for engagement and overcoming stigma. *National Communication Association*, Communication and Aging Division, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. *Top paper award.
- 80. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Lattimer, T. A., Ophir, Y., & Leong, Y. Y. (2022). Expedited Approval: A mixed-method analysis of media frames surrounding the Alzheimer's drug Aduhelm. Paper in progress. *National Communication Association*, Health Communication Division, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
- 79. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Grant, P. C., Depner, R. M., Levy, K., & Byrwa, D. J. (2022). Clinician communication in hospice: Constructions of reality Throughout the end-of-life process. *National Communication Association*, Communication as Social Construction Division, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. * Top paper
- 78. Lattimer, T. A., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Neurohr, M., Lapan, E., Vorphal, M., & Heneveld, K. (2022). "Typically, I will get blackout drunk": Exploring mediated depictions

- of health in the popular television drama, This is Us. *National Communication Association*, Health Communication Division, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
- 77. Stoll, J., Wahler, A., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Wahler, R. & Ranjit, S. (2022). Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) to develop a Deprescribing Intervention. *North American Primary Care Research Group*.
- 76. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2022). Death and dying during a global pandemic: Strategies for renewing commitment, and transforming fear to hope, at end-of-life. Panel. NCA, Communication and Aging Division. *National Communication Association*, Health Communication Division, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
- 75. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Ophir, Y., & Lattimer, T. A. (2022). Promising Prescriptions? A framing analysis of news coverage surrounding the Alzheimer's prescription drug Aduhelm. *Kentucky Health Communication Conference*, Lexington, Kentucky.
- 74. Pena, M. S. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2022). The portrayal of faculty wellbeing in popular media: a comparison of STEM vs non-STEM faculty. *American Society for Engineering Education*, Syracuse, NY.
- 73. Lin, V., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Sullivan, S. S. (2022). Websites and Apps may Improve Equity in Advance Care Planning (ACP). Poster submission. *Eastern Nursing Research Society*, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 72. Toh, Z., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Sullivan, S. (2022). Can We Talk About This? The Role of Interpersonal Motivation Goals in Advance Care Planning. Poster Presentation. *Society for Personality and Social Psychology*.
- 71. Mackenzie, L. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2021). The Impact of Communication on Individual and Collective Resilience as Experienced by Military-Connected Students. Panel. *National Communication Association*.
- 70. Lattimer, T. A., **Tenzek, K. E.** (2021). All body, no mind, no soul: A qualitative analysis of self-presentation and health implications of #fitspiration posts on Instagram. *National Communication Association*.
- 69. Davis, C. S., & **Tenzek**, **K. E.**, Tullis, J., & Crane, J. (2021). Teaching end of life communication. *National Communication Association*, Short Course.
- 68. Davis, C. S., Breede, C. D., & **Tenzek**, **K. E.** (2019). Teaching end of life communication. *National Communication Association*, Short Course.
- 67. May, A., Lampman, C., McDermott, T., Van Flein, K. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2019). Beyond survival: Understanding academic contrapower harassment. *National Communication Association*, Short Course.
- 66. Nickels, B., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Lattimer, T. (2019). This is Us: An analysis of mediated end-of-life family communication. *National Communication Association*, Family Communication Division.
- 65. Lattimer, T. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2019). If not inspirational, then what?: A thematic analysis of #fitspiration on Instagram and health implications for social media users. Poster presentation. *D.C. Health Communication Conference*, Washington D.C. *Graduate student lead paper.

64. Mackenzie, L. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2018). There's no right way to play: Examining stigma and the margins through cultural discourse analysis. Panel participant.

National Communication Association, Language and Social Interaction Division.

- 63. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2018). Hashtags for health: Implications for community Based research, theory, and practice. Panel participant. *National Communication Association*, Health Communication Division.
- 62. Levy, K., Depner, R.M., Grant, P.C., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2018). POMP: A social media-based meaning-making pilot program for caregivers of critically sick children. Poster submission. 126th Annual APA convention, San Francisco, CA.
- 61. Levy, K., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Grant, P.C., & Depner, R.M. (2018). Pushing innovative boundaries: A meaning-making intervention to capture the experiences of family caregivers of children and adolescents with palliative care needs. *International Communication Association*, Family communication preconference, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 60. Wright, T., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2018). A better-informed ending: The D(d)eaf community and end-of-life care. Poster submission. 40th Annual Conference of the Association of Death Education and Counseling, Pittsburgh, PA. *Work with graduate student
- 59. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Levy, K., Grant, P.C., & Depner, R.M. (2018). Clinician Communication and Language Use in Hospice. 40th Annual Conference of the Association of Death Education and Counseling, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 58. **Tenzek, K. E.** & Mackenzie, L. (2018). Layers of loss: End of life case studies in higher education. Poster submission. *40thAnnual Conference of the Association of Death Education and Counseling*, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 57. Levy, K., Grant, P. C., Depner, R. M., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2018). Social Media Intervention for Primary Caregivers of Sick Children. 40th Annual Conference of the Association of Death Education and Counseling, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 56. Pederson, J. R., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Kloeber, D., Striley, K., & Whalen, J. (2018). Social rejection experiences among first-year college students. *Southern States Communication Association*. Interpersonal division.
- 55. Levy, K., Byrwa, D., Grant, P., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Depner, R. (2018). Introduction to a Novel Social Media-Based Meaning Intervention for Caregivers of Children and Adolescents Receiving Palliative Care. *The Annual Assembly of Hospice and Palliative Care Conference*, Boston, MA.
- 54. May, A., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2017). Conceiving the enormity of 9/11: Use of digital narratives to promote learning through lived experience. Individual paper. National Communication Association, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Division, Dallas, TX. *Top paper panel.*
- 53. **Tenzek, K. E.,** & Depner, R. (2017). Still searching: A meta-synthesis of a good death from the bereaved family member perspective. Paper panel. *National Communication Association*, Our Legacy, Our Relevance: Communication Researchers Helping Families Talk About Death and Dying, Dallas, TX.
- 52. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2017). Constructing conversation: Hospice interdisciplinary team

members' perceptions regarding communication and language use at end-of-life. Poster presentation. *Association for Death Education and Counseling*, Portland, OR.

- 51. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Striley, K., & Field-Springer, K. (2016) Engaged with risk: An application of risk orders theory to chaplains providing care at end-of-life. Individual paper. *National Communication Association*, Communication as Social Construction Division, Philadelphia, PA.
- 50. **Tenzek, K. E.** & McCracken, B. (2016). End-of-Life as A communication context for research: A look into National Communication Association journals. Individual paper. *National Communication Association*, Communication and Aging Division, Philadelphia, PA.
- 49. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2016). The civic calling to explore, expand, and use coordinated management of meaning (CMM) theory: The collaborative potential for making better communities. Panel creator and participant. *National Communication Association*, Communication as Social Construction Division, Philadelphia, PA.
- 48. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2016). Student evaluations of teaching: Are they fair or biased? Panel participant. *National Communication Association*, Women's Caucus, Philadelphia, PA.
- 47. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2016). CMM and Shaping the World with the Power of Communication. Panel participant. *International Association for Conflict Management*, New York, NY.
- 46. May, A., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2015). "A gift we are unable to create ourselves": Surrogacy and the journey to parenthood for gay men. Individual paper. *National Communication Association*, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Communication Studies Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- 45. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2015). Continuing to embrace opportunities for practical conversation: Coordinated management of meaning's application in the field. Panel discussion. *National Communication Association*, Communication as Social Construction Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- 44. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2015). Cultural constructions of the good death: Case studies in communication about what it means to die well. Panel participant. *National Communication Association*, Communication as Social Construction Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- 43. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2015). Embracing opportunities for conflict skill acquisition: integrating conflict resolution education into the college communication curriculum. Panel participant. *National Communication Association*, Peace and Conflict Communication Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- 42. **Tenzek, K. E.** & May, A. (2015). The Marketplace of dreams: A (re)construction of infertility, pregnancy, and beyond through surrogacy ads online. *National Communication Association*, Feminist and Women Studies Division, Las Vegas, NV.
- 41. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2015). Deliberating difficult issues in communication classrooms: A roundtable discussion on pedagogy and possibility. *Eastern Communication Association*. Panel participant.

40. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2015). Considering end-of-life (EOL) communication: A roundtable discussion encompassing collaborative perspectives of care. *Eastern Communication Association*. Panel creator and participant.

- 39. Herrman, A. R., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2014). Expressions of uncertainty: An examination of a pro-ana website. *Central States Communication Association*. *Top paper*
- 38. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2014). Pushing boundaries beyond the Communication classroom: Teaching ideas for elevating new scholars through professional development. *Central States Communication Association*. Panel participant.
- 37. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2014). Elevating spiritual health: Communicating well-being across religious, organizational, and aging boundaries. *Central States Communication Association*. Panel creator and participant.
- 36. **Tenzek, K. E**. (2014). A risky experiment: Moving beyond realism towards social constructionist approaches to theorizing about risk communication. *Eastern Communication Association*, Health Communication Interest Group. Panel participant.
- 35. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2014). Performing Difficult Conversations: Stories about Death and Sexuality. *Eastern Communication Association*, Panel participant.
- 34. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2013) Reaching out: Teachers making connections when teaching, designing, and creating new undergraduate and graduate courses. Panel participant. *National Communication Association Conference*, Washington, DC.
- 33. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2013). "Bugging out": Connections between apocalyptic narratives and consumption in diverse media outlets. Panel participant. *National Communication Association Conference*, Washington, DC.
- 32. **Tenzek, K. E.,** Cramer, E., & Allen, M. (2013). Spirituality and coordinated management of meaning: Examining the chaplain's role in social constructions of a "Good Death." *National Communication Association Conference*, Washington, DC. *Top paper panel in communication as social construction*
- 31. Cramer, E., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Allen, (2013) Recognizing success in the chaplain profession: connecting perceptions to practice. *National Communication Association*, Washington DC. *Top four paper panel in Spiritual Communication*
- 30. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Cramer, E., & Allen, M. (2013). Standing up for spirituality: Legitimizing the role of chaplain's in health care interactions. *Ohio Communication Association*, Marietta OH. *Top poster presentation*
- 29. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2013). Accounts across the borders of scholarship: The importance of audience and opportunity. *Eastern Communication Association*, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 28. Cramer, E. M., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Allen, M. (2013). Spirituality, social support, and the communicative role of the chaplain in veteran populations. *Central States Communication Association*, Kansas City, MO. *Top paper panel*

27. **Tenzek, K. E.,** & Compton, J. (2013). Remembering loved ones through stories: An analysis of StoryCorps' 9/11 narratives. *Central States Communication Association*, Kansas City, MO.

- 26. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Mascarenhas, M., & Burrell, N. (2013). Who are you to tell me who I am? Joint identity construction in "The Real Housewives of New York." *Central States Communication Association*, Kansas City, MO.
- 25. Kim, S., Lim, T., Song, H., Hawkins, J.M., Herrman, A. R., Kim, H., Ota, H., Kim, J., Kim, J., England, N., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Cramer, E., Omori, K., Grimes, D., & Dilbeck, K. (2013). Promotive versus preventive dietary practice and self-construal: Communicating healthful food choice. *Western Communication Association*, Reno, NV. *Top Paper*
- 24. Song, H., Hawkins, J.M., Kim, J., Omori, K., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Kim, S. & Lim, T. (2013) Health information seeking online: An experimental study focusing on Internet skills. *Western Communication Association*, Reno, NV.
- 23. Cramer, E., & **Tenzek**, **K. E.** (2012). Translating spiritual care in the chaplain profession. *National Communication Association*, Orlando, FL.
- 22. Kartch, F., & **Tenzek**, **K. E.** (2012). "I wish someone knew the pain that I feel:" The voices of nonresidential mothers. *National Communication Association*, Orlando, FL.
- 21. Kartch, F., & **Tenzek**, **K. E.** (2012). "The pain I feel is worse than death:" Alienation, power, and the struggle for interpersonal relationships in the narratives of nonresidential mothers. *International Association for Relational Research*, Chicago, IL.
- 20. **Tenzek, K. E.**, Cramer, E., & Allen, M. (2012). Communication in hospice: Role of the spiritual advisor. *Central States Communication Association*, Cleveland, OH.
- 19. Tenzek, K. E. & Cramer, E. (2011). Legitimizing spirituality: Chaplain perspectives on education, training, and roles. National Communication Association. New Orleans, LA.
- 18. Herrman, A. R., & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2011). Gender differences in peer influence on body image dissatisfaction: A meta-analytic review. *National Communication Association*, New Orleans, LA.
- 17. Maier, M., Herrman, A., Kartch, F., Omori, K., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Stache, L., Grimes, D., Dilbeck, K., Ahn, S., Glocka, J., Maloney, J., Zoromski, D., & Burrell, N. (2011). Managing conflict while owning a small business: Saving face and figure in a health club. *National Communication Association*, New Orleans, LA.
- 16. Cramer, E., & **Tenzek**, **K.** E. (2011, October). The blending of chaplains' material and symbolic identities in hospice care. *International Conference on Communication in Healthcare*, Chicago, IL.
- 15. **Tenzek, K, E.**, & Cramer, E. (2011). Hospice chaplain training: A look at job Advertisements. *Central States Communication Association*, Milwaukee, WI.
- 14. May, A. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2011). Bridging the gap between in-group and outgroup: The gay surrogacy journey. Central States Communication Association. Milwaukee, WI. *Top Paper Panel*

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- 13. Allen, M., Kim, S., Antos, A., Gattoni, A., Grimes, D., Huang, H., Kim, J., Lu, S., Maier, M., May, A., Omachinski, K., Omori, K., **Tenzek, K. E.**, Turkiewicz, K.L., & Zhang, Y. (2010). Testing an additive model for the effectiveness of evidence on the persuasiveness of a message. *National Communication Association*, San Francisco, CA. *Top Paper Award*
- 12. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2010). *Caught at a crossroads: The Internet and end-of-life care.* National Communication Association. San Francisco, CA.
- 11. **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Compton, J. (2010). Intersecting rhetoric: McCain's health through body, political, and visual stories. *Midwest Pop-culture Association*, Minneapolis, MN.
- 10. Song, H., Kim, J., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Lee, K. M. (2010). The effects of competition on intrinsic motivation in exergames and the conditional indirect effects of presence. *International Communication Association*, Singapore. *Top Two Paper*
- 9. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2010). Picture this: Feelings through photography. GIFTS, *Central States Communication Association*, Cincinnati, OH.
- 8. Allen, M., Feiner, B., Antos, A., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & May, A. (2010). Examining the impact of parental disclosure of HIV on children: A meta-analysis. *Central States Communication Association*, Cincinnati, OH.
- 7. May, A. & **Tenzek, K. E.** (2010, April). Seeking Mrs. Right: Uncertainty reduction in online surrogacy ads. Central States Communication Association, Cincinnati, OH.
- 6. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2009). Virtual technology: Telemedicine in a digital culture. *Midwest Pop-Culture Association*, Detroit, MI.
- 5. Ang, E., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Harness, L. (2009). Tradition and transformation: Processing conflict in peace studies. *Peace and Justice Studies Association*, Milwaukee, WI.
- 4. **Tenzek, K. E.** (2009). Tele-what? A rhetorical analysis of success vs. failure in telemedicine. *National Communication Association*, Chicago, IL.
- 3. Allen, M., **Tenzek, K.** E, Kim, J., Timmerman, L., Jones, S., Donohue, W., Ryan, D., Mitchell, M., & Griffin, A. (2009). The relationship between religion and adolescent decision to use drugs. *National Communication Association*, Chicago, IL.
- 2. Song, H., Kim, J., **Tenzek, K. E.**, & Lee, K. M. (2009). The effects of competition on intrinsic motivation in exergames and the conditional indirect effects of presence. *12th Annual International Workshop on Presence*, Los Angeles, CA.
- 1. **Tenzek, K. E.**, (2009). Can you hear me now? Assessing patients' perceptions of telemedicine encounters. *Central States Communication Association*, St. Louis, MO.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

A. Faculty

University at Buffalo

Graduate Courses

Grounded Theory Method. Fall 2017, 2021, 2022

Advanced qualitative method taught in conjunction with the School of Nursing

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Communication Pro-seminar. Fall 2022, 2023

Introductory course for incoming MA and PhD students in the Department of Communication.

Undergraduate Courses

Health Communication Freshman Seminar. Fall 2021

End-of-life Communication Freshman Seminar. Fall 2016, 2017; Spring 2019

End-of-life Communication Special Topics. Fall 2015, 2017, 2018; Spring 2018

Research Methods. Summer 2022, 2023

Summer six-week session in Singapore

Health Communication. Spring 2015-202, 2023

*Service learning component

Interpersonal Communication. Fall 2014, 2019; Spring 2017, 2018

Introduction to Business and Professional Communication. Fall 2014-2020

Public Relations. Spring 2015, 2016

Bloomsburg University

Undergraduate Courses

Health Communication. Spring 2014

Interpersonal Communication. Fall 2012; Spring 2013, 2014

Special Topics: End-of-Life and Communication. Fall 2013

Communication Theory. Spring 2013

Conflict Management and Resolution. Fall 2012, 2013; Spring 2014

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Undergraduate Courses

Communication and Older Adults. Fall 2019-2022

B. Graduate Teaching Assistant

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Undergraduate Courses

Health Communication. Fall 2010 - Spring 2012

Introduction to Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies. 2008-2012

Business and Professional Communication. Summer 2009, 2010

Missouri State University

Undergraduate Courses

The Fundamentals of Public Speaking. 2006-2008

C. Professional Organizations, Membership, and Training

2022	United States Marine Corps University, Quantico, VA Casualty Assistance Calls Officer (CACO) Training	
2017	Erie County Medical Center, Buffalo, NY Mercy Doula training. June 2017 Completed a 12-hour training program to become a Mercy Doula.	
2012	Teaching and Learning Enhancement Center (TALE) session "ePortfoli	
2012	to Promote Learning" Bloomsburg University New Faculty Institute sponsored by the Teaching and Learning	
	Enhancement Center (TALE) Bloomsburg University	
2009	Peacemaking Circle Training, Directed by Evelyn Ang, Wisconsin	
2009	International Media and Conflict Resolution Conference, Wisconsin.	
2009	Wisconsin Association of Mediators Conference, Emerging Issues in	
	Dispute Resolution	
2008	Workshop on Expert Meeting on Systems Thinking and Peacebuilding,	
	Wisconsin.	
2006 -Presen	t National Communication Association	
2017	Association for Death Education and Counseling	
2009 - 2014	Central States Communication Association Member	
2013 - 2014	Eastern Communication Association	
2013	Ohio Communication Association	
2009	International Communication Association Member	
2009	Peace and Justice Association	
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D. Advising

Doctoral Advisees

- 1. Tahleen Lattimer, Department of Communication. Health in a Hearing World: Promoting Equitable Aging and End-of-Life Communication for Deaf Populations affected by Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias. Dissertation defended Spring 2025.
- 2. Yi Yin Leong, Department of Communication

Ph.D. Dissertation Committee Member

- 1. Lana Pasek, Department of Nursing. Dissertation defended Spring 2025.
- 2. Joanne Weinschreider, Department of Nursing. Dissertation defended January 2023

3. Bonnie J. McCracken, Department of Communication. Dissertation defended 2016. Dissertation coder for intercoder reliability, End-of-Life Communication in Veterinary Medicine

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Master's Advisees

- 1. Alda Espinal, Master of Arts. Department of Communication, expected graduation May 2026.
- 2. Antoinette Dailey, Master of Arts. Department of Communication. Master project completed spring 2024.
- 3. Cali Assaley, Master of Arts. Department of Communication. Masters project completed spring 2024.
- 4. Tahleen Lattimer, Department of Communication. Thesis defended 2019.

SERVICE

A. Professional

- 2022 National Communication Association's Communication and Aging Division, Nominated and elected for position of Vice-chair Elect 2023, Vice-chair, 2024, Chair 2025.
- 2018 National Communication Association's Communication as Social Construction Division, Vice-chair Elect
- 2015 National Communication Association's Communication as Social Construction Division, Dissertation Awards Committee Chair
- 2013 National Communication Association's Communication as Social Construction Division Information Officer. Elected fall 2013 for a three-year term.
- 2009 Editorial Assistant Communication Monographs University of Wisconsin Milwaukee

B. Journal Reviewer

2021 – Present Review Editor: Frontiers in Communication – Health

Communication

Ad Hoc Omega Journal of Death and Dying

Death Studies

Mass Communication and Society

Social Science & Medicine

Social Science & Medicine- Qualitative Research in Health

Qualitative Research in Health Qualitative Health & Medicine

Health Communication

Journal of Social and Personal Relationships

Palliative Care and Social Practice

Journal of Medical Internet Research- Formative Research Communication Quarterly Health Expectations

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C. Conference Reviewer

2022 KL2 award Penn State: University at Buffalo, Clinical and Translational

Science Institute

2011 - Present National Communication Association2012, 2022 International Communication Association

2012 Central States Communication Association Student Reviewer

D. University at Buffalo

Health Sciences Scholarly Project Working with first year medical students in connection with the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences as a research mentor for select students interested in end-of-life communication from a variety of perspectives.

2024 Goals of care session for Advanced Medicine students. Seven, one

hour Zoom sessions with medical students about engaging in end-

of-life care conversations.

2024 Jacobs School of Medicine

Communication in Medicine Presentation. Communicating about taboo or difficult topics with patients. Facilitated conversation and problem-based learning through case studies with second year

medical students.

2023 Grievance Committee

2021 School of Nursing, S. S. Mentorship Program

Work with a nursing undergraduate on research that ended in a poster presentation. *Similarities, Differences, and Existing Gaps between Grassroot and Research-Based Advance Care Planning*

Approaches for End-of-Life Discussions. Lin, V., Tenzek, K. E., Sullivan

2018 University at Buffalo- Policy Committee

2016 – 2018 Palliative care small group leader- Facilitated dialogue among a

small group of third year medical students

E. Department of Communication, University at Buffalo

2021 - Present Graduate Admission Committee2017 - Present Member of Graduate Faculty

2018 Independent study: Chia-Hui (Kate) Chen

PhD student in nursing, with a focus on end-of-life communication.

F. Bloomsburg University

2014	LGBTA Mid-Atlantic Conference Chair
2013	New Faculty Orientation, "What is it like to be new?", Panel
	participant
2013	Creation of TALE Center blog
2013	LGBTA Mid-Atlantic Conference Vice-Chair
2012	LGBTA Commission Member
2012	LGBTA Mid-Atlantic Conference
	Contributed to planning and volunteered
2012	Teaching and Learning Enhancement (TALE) Center
	Facilitated a session for the for new faculty
2013	Lambda Pi Eta guest presentation
	The panel was designed to share experiences with undergraduates
	about the transition from undergraduate education to graduate
	school.
2013	NCASC guest presentation
	Professional Interactions with your Professors. Co-presented with
	Dr. Mary Nagy.
2013	Curriculum committee member
2013	Search and screen committee member
2013	Planning and assessment committee member
2013	Library liaison

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2010	Graduate Affairs Committee President
	Events Include, Biweekly meetings with GAC members and planning social events
2009	Graduate student representative for department faculty hiring
	selection committee
2009, 2010	Conducted Exit Interviews for Second Year MA Students
	graduating from UWM

H. Community

11.	Community	
2024		Medication Safety Curriculum with Cheektowaga Senior Center. Shared created curriculum with Center Director to practice
		facilitation of content with target audience members. Cheektowaga, NY.
2023.	2024	Alzheimer's Association, The Walk to End Alzheimer's. Coordinated a team with health communication course and department. Buffalo, NY.

2021 - Present	Funeral Ministry. Meet with families who have lost a loved one to plan their funeral. Sts. Peter and Paul, Williamsville, NY.
2018	Camp Blue Skies. Camp counselor for bereaved children in WNY.
2018	Presentation for Western New York Prosperity Fellowship
	Program.
2017 - 2019	Professional Communication Danceability volunteer.
2017	Clinical in-service Hospice Buffalo. Cheektowaga, NY.
2016	Communication and Language Use in an End-of-Life Context
	Facilitated a Conflict Management and Resolution workshop for
	Hospice Buffalo Research Team.
2013	Emeritus Senior Living Volunteer. Work with activities director
	plan outings and activities for residents of the assisted living
	facility.
2013	Invited Presentation: Stories of spirituality: Chaplains' narratives
	related to providing end-of-life care. The First English Baptist
	Church, Bloomsburg, PA.
2009 - 2010	St. Peter and Paul Volunteer. Milwaukee, WI.
2010	Urban Debate League Training and Judge, University of Wisconsin-
	Milwaukee
2010	Rising Star Training and Volunteer. Milwaukee, WI.
2009	Peace Learning Center Volunteer. Milwaukee, WI.
2008, 2010	Hunger Task Force Food Drive with Peace Studies classes.
	Milwaukee, WI.