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<i>Education</i>	M.A., University of Iowa, 1989; B. A., University of Notre Dame, 1986.
<i>University appointments</i>	University of Notre Dame, Department of Film, Television, and Theatre: Associate Teaching Professor, 1994-; Assistant Professional Specialist, 1988-1994.
<i>Current Courses Taught</i>	FTT 30410 Introduction to Film and Television Production FTT 40411 Documentary Production FTT 30480 Televised Sports Production: Storytelling and Technology FTT 35505 Paths to the Entertainment Industry FTT 30635 Drunk on Film: The Psychology of Storytelling with Alcohol and its Effects on Alcohol Consumption PCSE 0217 Summer Scholars Pre College Program, Film Production PCSE 0272 Summer Scholars Pre College Program, Teens and Screens
<i>Administrative activities— Notre Dame</i>	College of Arts and Letters, Core Curriculum Committee, Ways of Knowing Fine Arts and Literature Subcommittee: Chair 2022-2026. Well-Being in Academia Committee (McDonald Wellness Ctr): 2019-2023. University Committee on Sexual Assault Prevention: 2018-2023. Media & Entertainment Leadership Committee (A&L): 2016-. Notre Dame Studios Advisory Committee: 2017. Grotto Network Advisory Committee: 2017. Central Campus Development Plan Committee: 2013-2017. Committee for Arts and Letters Computing: 2009-2011. University Council For Academic Technologies: 2009-2011. University Committee on Cable TV: 2006. Advisory Board for Center for Creative Computing: 2003. University Website Streaming Video Committee: 2001. College of Arts and Letters Computing Committee: 1995-2002. University WWW HomePage Design Committee: 1995.
<i>Publications— books</i>	<i>Heart Stoppers and Hail Marys: The Greatest College Football Finishes</i> (Diamond Communications, 2000; Hardwood Press, 2006).
<i>Creative Work</i>	<i>Lou Holtz: 60 Minutes To Play and a Lifetime To Remember</i> , 2026. <i>UNCLAD</i> , 2025. (<i>Generative AI short film</i>)

Every Brilliant Thing, 2025. (Video Trailer)
Heart on Fire, 2025. (Video Producer and Editor)
Red Cup, 2024-25. (Producer, Documentary Theatre Performance)

[First Time Fans Series](#) (17 short documentaries),
 Producer/Executive Producer, 2014-2024.

Believe, 2024.
Holly Whitaker's Rudy Moment, 2021.
Mike & Dom Visit Notre Dame, 2020.
Onward, 2019.
Tico and Moses Go Irish, 2019.
Homegrown, 2018.
Monique and the Loyal Daughters, 2018.
El Primero, 2017.
Legacy, 2017.
God Bless America (Where Opera Meets Football), 2016.
Class of 2029, 2016.
Spirit of Todd, 2016.
Priest, Rector, and Fan, 2015.
The Correct Route, 2015.
Dear Ms. Silva, 2015.
Blind Faith, 2014.
AnnaLynne Goes To College, 2014.
At Home With The Irish, 2014.

Aidan's Masterpiece (editor), May 2021.
Fighting Irish Media [175 short form videos](#) (producer/director, writer, camera, editor), 2012-2017.
[36 short films for the O.S.C.A.R.S.-ND Athletics Student Athlete Awards](#) (writer, videographer, director, editor), 2006-2015.
88 AND 1 (60-minute documentary), ESPN2. Co-Director, Jan. 2014.
Dawn's Early Light (editor), musical theatre video production, 2023.
Stupid Humans (editor), musical theatre video production, 2019.
One Winter Week (director, camera, editor), 2019.
[Todd Rundgren Play Like A Champion Concert](#) (producer, editor), 2018.
Todd Rundgren Artist-in-Residence Documentary (editor, producer), 2017.
Todd Rundgren PLACT Concert- series of 10 videos (producer, editor) 2016.
Let's Go All The Way- music video (director, editor), 2016.
Everybody's Feelin Real-music video (director, editor), 2015.
Victoria Thunder-music video (director, editor), 2014.
ND Alumni Reunion Video (writer, director, editor), 2013.
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RimShot (feature screenplay), 2010.
God, Country, Notre Dame (series of four videos for live presentation at Notre Dame- Maryland football game, 2011)
Okuyamba (30 minute documentary- director, editor), 2011.

ANDkids World Film Festival (11 film intros- director, editor), 2011.
ND Alumni Reunion Video (writer, director, editor), 2011.
Reds Fan 2010 Music Video (director, camera, editor), 2010.
Use Your Head (writer, director, camera, editor), 2010.
The Kids Stay in the Picture (director, camera, editor), 2010.
ND Alumni Reunion Video (writer, director, editor), 2010.
myroom@nd (5 minute documentary- director, camera, editor), 2010.
Inside The Legends: 2009 Notre Dame Japan Bowl
 (48 minute documentary- director, camera, editor), 2009.
Inside The Legends (:60 spot for CBS College Sports TV), 2009.
 (videographer, writer/director, editor) 2009.
Latino Community Leadership Seminar (videographer, director, editor) 2009.
Inside Notre Dame Football (videographer, director, editor) 2009.
ND Alumni Reunion Video (writer, director, editor), 2009.
ND Abroad (videographer, director, editor), 2008
Center For The Homeless, 20 Years of Service (editor), 2008.
African American Scholars at ND (videographer, director, editor), 2008.
Preventing Sexual Harassment at Notre Dame-Staff (co-director/editor)
 for ND Office of Institutional Equity, 2008.
Livin' The Dream 2008, 20-minute doc (camera, director, editor).
Fantasy Camp 2007, 22-minute doc (camera, director, editor), 2007.
Fantasy Camp, 20-minute documentary (camera, director, editor), 2006.
Flanner Hall 1974, short film (writer, camera, director, editor), 2006.
Preventing Sexual Harassment at Notre Dame-Faculty, co-director/editor for
 Notre Dame Office of Institutional Equity, 2005.
DeBartolo Performing Arts Center TV Spot. (director/editor), 2004.
Survivor Tyland, intro short film for ND Student Film Festival, 2003.
Zach Moore, co-director for Indiana Mothers Against Drunk Driving, 2001.
Kori, (co-director) for ND Counseling Center, 2000.
What Farocki Taught (online editor), 1998.
Voices of The Colonias (documentary) online editor, 1997.
Game Of The Century: 1935 Notre Dame/Ohio State (segment producer,
 camera), 1995.
What's Underground About Marshmallows (online editor), 1995.
Healthy Community Initiative: PSA, 1994.

Grants

Teaching Beyond The Classroom Grant, College of Arts and Letters.
 LA Externship Trek, Fall 2024.
Small Creative and Performing Arts Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the
 Liberal Arts, RED CUP, Fall 2024.
Teaching Beyond The Classroom Grant, College of Arts and Letters.
 First Time Fans, Spring 2023
Henkels Lecture Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts. Holly
 Whitaker, Quit Like A Woman panel discussion, 11/4/21.
ND Learning Grant, First Time Fans documentary, Clara Ritger, director.

Fall 2021.

Henkels Lecture Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts. Todd Rundgren Artist-in Residence, 2018.

Henkels Lecture Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts. Todd Rundgren Artist-in Residence, 2016.

Henkels Lecture Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts. Patrick Creadon screening/lecture “If You Build It”, 2013.

Awards

National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Chicago/Midwest Emmy Awards Nomination. Outstanding Achievement for Sports Program. “At Home With The Irish” (Executive Producer), 2015.

National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Chicago/Midwest Emmy Awards Nomination. Outstanding Achievement for Sports Program. “Blind Faith” (Executive Producer), 2015.

Telly Award- Bronze, “88 and 1” (co-director), 2015.

College Sports Media Awards- Finalist, Outstanding Special Feature, “Matthias Farley: Tattoo Stories”, (director) 2015.

College Sports Media Awards- Finalist, Outstanding Program Series “1913 Notre Dame Schedule”, (director) 2014.

Telly Award-Bronze, *1913 Landmark Trip to Army* (FIDM), 2014.

College Sports Media Awards- Finalist, Outstanding Program Series “1913 Notre Dame Schedule”, 2014.

College Sports Media Awards- Honorable Mention, Program Series “125 Years of Notre Dame Football”, 2013.

Morfogen Art of Caring Award from the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

The Accolade Film, Television, New Media & Videography Awards, Award of Merit, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Vegas Cine Fest, 1st Runner-Up for Best Documentary Film Award, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Best Shorts Award of Merit, *Okuyamba*, February 2012.

Indie Fest Award Winner, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Prestige Film Festival, Silver Award Winner, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Desert Rocks Film & Music Festival, official selection, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

River Bend Film Festival, official selection, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Athens International Film Festival, official selection, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Long Island Film Festival, official selection, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Cincinnati International Film Festival, official selection, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Fort Meyers Beach Film Festival, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

On Location Memphis International Film and Music Fest, official selection, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Naperville Independent Film Festival, *Okuyamba*, 2012.

Macon Film Festival, *Okuyamba*, official selection, February 2012.

Columbia Gorge Film Festival, *Okuyamba*, official selection, August 2012.

College Sports Media Awards- Honorable Mention, Special Feature “The

Flyover", 2012.

College Sports Media Awards- Honorable Mention, Promotional Campaign
"UND.com- Inspiring", 2012.

All Sports Los Angeles Film Festival, *RimShot* (screenplay- Best Biopic
Screenplay-3rd Place), July 2011.

All Sports Los Angeles Film Festival, *Inside The Legends*, official selection,
July 2010.

Chagrin Falls International Documentary Film Festival, *Inside The Legends*,
official selection, October 2010.

Service

Invited Presentation: Sober Curator Podcast, July 2026.

Screening: *Lou Holtz: 60 Minutes To Play and a Lifetime to Remember*, June
2026, Browning Cinema.

Youth Behavioral Health Summit, Invited Presentation, April 2026.

Panelist- [Legacy: Apartheid's Shadow Film Screening](#), Feb 2026.,

Invited Guest on the [ThinkND podcast](#) "The Algorithmic Lens: AI in the
Film, Television, and Theater Industry", Dec. 2025.

Grotto Network Administrative Unit Review Consultant -2024

[Hollywood Sobriety Webinar](#), Invited Presentation, February 2024.

Notre Dame Student Film Festival,

Founder and Festival Director, 1990-2024.

[PBS Newshour Feature, Drunk on Film](#), May 17, 2024

Teachers as Scholars, Teens and Screens: Nov.6 and 19, 2024

Recovery Rocks Podcast, Sept 2024.

LA Trek: Career Development Center Oct. 26, 2024

Career Development Alumni Panels Host Sept 19, 2024.

"Under The Influence": How the Media We Consume Affects The Way We
Drink", Veritas Lecture Series, Walton, KY., 10/26/24.

Director Greg Kohs: The Thinking Game, Browning Cinema, Nov.10, 2024

Guest Lecturer: Simon Fraser University, Nov. 1, 2024

Guest Lecturer: Simon Fraser University, Mar 21, 2025

Force For Good Film Festival for High School Students,

Founder and Festival Director, 2018-2020.

Notre Dame Alumni Association Presentations

*"Summer Scholars, Drunk on Film, and Student Film Production
at Notre Dame and Beyond"*

Cambridge, Ontario, 2026.

San Diego, CA, 2026.

Los Angeles, CA, 2025.

Bethlehem, PA 2025.

Providence, RI, 2024.

Camarillo, CA, June 2023.

Spokane, WA, August 2023.

Blue Ridge Club, VA, June 2022.

“From FTT to FIM: Student Film Production at Notre Dame”

Santa Barbara Club, CA, Aug 2019.

Las Vegas Club, NV, July 2019.

Inland Empire Club, CA, June 2018.

Sioux City, IA Club, June 2018.

Cedar Rapids, IA Club, June 2017.

Triple Cities, NY Club, June 2016.

Louisville, KY Club, June 2015.

On The Sidelines Lecture Series “Seeing Notre Dame Football Through a Different Lens: ND Fans & Filmmakers”,

ND Eck Visitors Center, Sept. 2015.

Community

Christ the King St. Vincent DePaul volunteer, 2023-

Christ The King School, Athletic Association Board Member, 2010-18.

Inter City Catholic League, South Bend, IN

Girls Varsity Basketball Coach, 1995-99, 2015-19.

Boys/Girls 5th-8th grade Basketball, Soccer Coach, 2010-2019.

East Side Little League, South Bend, IN

Baseball/Softball Manager, 1990-99. 2010-2017.

Board member, 1994.

Saint Joseph High School, South Bend, IN

Boys Lacrosse Club Board Member, 2016-18.

Chet Waggoner Little League, South Bend, IN

Little League Manager 2002-2009, 2015.

St. John The Baptist Church, South Bend, IN

Parish Pastoral Council, 1996-01.

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