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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in English, Rhetoric and Composition May 2026
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana
“Cultivating Conflict Competence for Constructive Conversations in Writing Center Tutor Education”

Master of Arts in English Language May 2019
American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon
“The Men Behind the Chair at a Beirut Hair Salon: A Case Study of Lebanese Male Hairdressers’ Gender and Professional Identity Construction” (Published in the Asfari Institute for Civil Society and Citizenship collection)

Bachelor of Arts in English Language, *Magna Cum Laude* May 2014
Minor in Creative Writing
American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed Articles

- Arnold, L. R. & Seifeddine, G. (Submitted April 2025). Entering writing studies as an international student: A joint autoethnography. *Composition Studies*.
Seifeddine, G. & Arnold, L. R. (Forthcoming 2025). Navigating mentoring relationships between international graduate students and faculty: A joint autoethnography. *Rhetoric Review*.
Seifeddine, G. (Forthcoming 2025). The writing center as a rebel space: Stories of tutoring and writing with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. *The Peer Review*.

Peer-reviewed Chapters In Edited Collections

- Seifeddine, G. (Forthcoming 2025). Neurodiversity. In T. Skeen, A. Ellsworth, M. Alqadi, & D. Roen (Eds.), *Constructing the threshold*. The WAC Clearinghouse.
Joseph, E., Seifeddine, G., & Wisz, E. (Forthcoming 2026, alphabetical authorship). On the pedagogical implications of discussing religion in peer writing consultations. In H. Banat, A. Efthymiou, L. M. Naydan, A. Sicari, & L. Wright (Eds.), *Politics of faith in writing centers and writing studies*. Utah State University Press.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

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- Arnold, L. & Seifeddine, G. (2024, September 20-21). “Out of place”: *International graduate students & faculty mentors’ perceptions of writing studies’ North American emplacement* [Conference presentation]. Conference on Writing Education Across Borders. Salt Lake City, UT, United States.

Denny, H. & Seifeddine, G. (2024, February 29-March 2). *Writing Centers Research Project Survey: Where do we go from here?* [Workshop]. East Central Writing Centers Association Conference. Dayton, OH, United States.

Arnold, L. & Seifeddine, G. (2023, October 5-7). *Entering writing studies as an international student: A joint autoethnography* [Conference presentation]. 9th Intercultural Rhetoric and Discourse Conference. Indianapolis, IN, United States.

Seifeddine, G. (2023, April 21-23). 'ChatGPT, write me an essay about what the future holds': *Ethical mediation of ChatGPT in the writing center* [Panel presentation]. East Central Writing Centers Association Conference. West Lafayette, IN, United States.

Seifeddine, G. (2023, February 15-18). *ADHD in motion: Spaces we occupy/spaces we imagine* [Conference presentation]. 74th Conference on College Composition and Communication. Chicago, IL, United States.

Seifeddine, G. (2022, October 28-30). Writing centers as rebel spaces: Tutor and client stories of ADHD, neurodivergence, and mental health [Conference presentation]. The National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing. Omaha, NB, United States.

Seifeddine, G. (2022, March 31-April 2). [*Tutoring with ADHD in the writing center*](#) [Conference presentation]. East Central Writing Centers Association Conference. East Lansing, MI, United States.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Teaching Academy Graduate Teaching Award, Center for Instructional Excellence, Purdue University, Spring 2024.
- Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of English, Purdue University, Fall 2023.
- Graduate Student English Association Emerging Scholar Award, Purdue University, Spring 2023.
- Emerging Scholar Award, The National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing, Fall 2022.
- Graduate Assistantship Scholarship, Purdue University, 2021–2026.
- Graduate Assistantship Scholarship, American University of Beirut, 2015–2018.
- Shehadeh Abboud Memorial Excellence Award in English Language (\$1000), American University of Beirut, 2014.
- Dean's Honor List, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, American University of Beirut, 2011–2014.

RESEARCH AND TRAVEL GRANTS

- College of Liberal Arts PROMISE Grant (\$1000), Purdue University, Summer 2024.
- Crouse Emerging Scholar Award (\$1500), Purdue University, Spring 2024.
- GradSEA Travel Grant (\$200), Purdue University, Spring 2023.
- Writing Lab Travel Grant (\$430), Purdue University, Spring 2023.
- Writing Lab Travel Grant (\$350), Purdue University, Spring 2022.
- College of Liberal Arts PROMISE Grant (\$600), Purdue University, Fall 2022.

- English Department Supplement Travel Grant (\$250), Purdue University, Fall 2022.
- Emerging Scholar Award, The National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing (\$700), Fall 2022.

WRITING CENTER LEADERSHIP

Assistant Director of Undergraduate Education 2021-Present
Purdue University, West Lafayette and Indianapolis campuses, Indiana

- Develop material for undergraduate tutor education to train writing consultants (ENGL390); participate in outreach events and panels to introduce students to the Purdue OWL tutorial services in Indianapolis and West Lafayette; hold OWL introductory sessions and conversation groups for English language learners; provide writing feedback on college essays to Purdue Polytechnic high school students; produce content for and lead genre-specific workshops in collaboration with campus partners; led bi-weekly graduate writing events (Writer's Room, Spring 2022).
- Assessed survey data for [Writing Centers Research Project Survey](#) longitudinal biennial study (2020-21; 2022-23); developed participant directory to increase outreach; analyzed survey results; facilitated data visualization using Tableau software.

Graduate Consultant 2021-Present
Purdue University, West Lafayette and Indianapolis campus locations, Indiana

- Consult faculty/staff, graduate and undergraduates on academic, professional, and personal writing.

Associate Editor, [The Writing Center Journal](#) 2023-2025
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

- Participate in weekly meetings with the editorial team to discuss and manage new submissions; contact reviewers and authors about submissions; fact-check content in issue before its publication; train incoming editorial staff.

Writing Fellow, iCaP Summer Start (accelerated program) Summer 2024
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

- Provided one-on-one feedback in and outside class; offered one-on-one conferencing with students in class; presented workshop presentation on course content; collaborated with the course instructor on lesson planning and discussed student performance throughout the semester.

Under/graduate Writing Consultant 2014-2015
American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Consulted faculty/staff, graduate and undergraduates on academic, professional, and personal writing; led writing center workshops and open house events.

English Language Mentor, [University Preparatory Program](#) 2012-2013
American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Provided supplemental language support for UPP scholarship recipients in a friendly environment where students can be open about any difficulties faced in studying for their English language courses; worked with students on a weekly basis to practice spoken and

written English language and revise their assignments before submission; collaborated with the recipients' English professors (in writing, reading, grammar, and listening) to record improvements and weaknesses; submitted weekly assessment reports on student performance.

TEACHING

ENGL 390 Practicum in Tutoring Writing 2022-2023
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

- Three-credit course focused on preparing undergraduate students to become writing consultants at the Purdue On-Campus Writing Lab (OWL), deepening their understanding of theories and dynamics of writing consultation, and building a community that supports writing, communication, and academic inquiry.

ENGL 102: Enrichment Course in English 2019-2020
American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Three-credit freshman-level course focused on developing critical thinking, fluency, and accuracy through reading analytically and responding to academic texts, with close attention to the application of appropriate conventions of grammar, mechanics, and usage.

ENGL 203: Academic English 2019-2020
American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Three-credit sophomore-level course designed to develop students' intellectual viewpoints and an academic writing voice through open discussion and reflection about contemporary themes and texts provided in a custom reader, *Pages Apart*, edited for the Anglophone Middle Eastern student.

ENGL 151: Advanced Writing Skills 2018-2019
Lebanese International University, Beirut, Lebanon

- Three-credit sophomore-level course designed to develop English Language Learners (ELL) students' reading, writing, and listening, and speaking skills.

ENGL 201: Composition & Research Skills 2018-2019
Lebanese International University, Beirut, Lebanon

- Three-credit junior-level course designed to help English Language Learners (ELL) students understand and produce basic research in different genres of writing. ENGL151 is the prerequisite course.

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

Research Assistant, Suliman S. Olayan School of Business 2018-2019
American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Copyedited journal articles in finance journals prior to submission for publication.
- Proofread web content and online brochure of the Investment Management Program.
- Revised scholarship proposals and launching speech for the establishment of a student internship support fund for the [Investment Management Program](#).

Dr. Ira J. Allen

- Drafted sections of grant proposal applications to Gerda Henkel Foundation Fellowship and Digital Humanities Implementation Grant for the project “The Children’s Guest: A Multimodal Translation of Walter Benjamin”.
- Created a storyboard trial for the multimodal translation project on the “The Mississippi Flood of 1927” piece.

Dr. Jennifer Nish

- Drafted bibliographies on the literature of affect and emotion in rhetoric and/or composition and revision and feminist activism respectively.

Communication Skills Program

- Researched and drafted 60 short author biographies for all articles in the Academic English undergraduate course reader *After Words*.

Dr. Lisa R. Arnold

- Translated 158 literary articles stored in the Special Collections and Archives section of Jafet Library from Arabic to English with commentary on the translations for use in the book chapter “‘Today the Need Arises’ اليوم قد مسّت الحاجة: Syrian Student Writing at the Turn of the Century” in *Transnational Writing Education: Theory, History, Practice*.

ACADEMIC WORKSHOPS AND INVITED LECTURES

Seifeddine, G. (2025, April 9 and 11). *From methods to practice* [Guest lecture for ENGL 203/ENGL625: Introduction to research for professional writers/Seminar on empirical research in writing]. Purdue University. West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.

Seifeddine, G. (2025, February 25 and 27). *Writing grant narratives* [Guest lecture for ENGL433: Writing proposals and grants]. Purdue University. West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.

Seifeddine, G. & Pritchard, A. (2025, February 20). *Making the most of peer review* [Workshop]. Purdue University. Indianapolis, Indiana, United States.

Seifeddine, G. & Pritchard, A. (2025, January 30). *Introduction to argumentative writing* [Workshop]. Purdue University. Indianapolis, Indiana, United States.

Seifeddine, G. (2024, November 12). Peer review: *Looking at texts from a reader’s perspective* [Workshop]. Purdue University. Indianapolis, Indiana, United States..

Seifeddine, G. & Pritchard, A. (2024, October 22). *Graduate school preparation: Personal statements* [Workshop]. In collaboration with Purdue Center for Career Opportunities. Purdue University. Indianapolis, Indiana, United States.

Arnold, L. & Seifeddine, G. (2023, December 5). *Mentorship for international and local PhD students* [Invited lecture]. Lilly Family School of Philanthropy. Indiana University — Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI). Indianapolis, Indiana, United States.

Seifeddine, G. & Borchert, J. (2023, November 4). *Grad School 101: Preparing graduate school material* [Workshop]. In collaboration with Black Cultural Center. Purdue University. West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.

Seifeddine, G. & Joseph, E. (2023, May 9). *Tutor education curriculum at the Purdue OWL: ChatGPT, writing, and ethical considerations* [Invited lecture, virtual]. Centro de Multiliteracidades at Universidad de Antioquia. Medellín, Colombia.

Seifeddine, G. (2023, February 20). *Disability and writing center work* [Invited lecture, virtual]. Farnham Writers' Center. Colby College. Waterville, Maine, United States.

Seifeddine, G. & Joseph, E. (2023, February 2 and 9). *Conference presentation accessibility* [Workshop series]. Purdue University. West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.

Yerace M., Seifeddine, G., & Joseph, E. (2022, November 3). *Pitching your teaching and tutoring experiences* [Joint introductory composition/On-campus writing lab workshop]. Purdue University. West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.

Kennell, V. & Seifeddine, G. (2022, July 5-7). *Intensive writing experience* [Workshop series]. Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.

Kennell, V. & Seifeddine, G. (2022, June 28-30). *Intensive writing experience* [Workshop series]. Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.

Seifeddine, G. (2020, February). *Design-thinking, team leadership, and conflict-resolution* [Workshop]. In collaboration with the Office of Student Affairs. American University of Beirut. Beirut, Lebanon.

PUBLIC SPEAKING AND LEADERSHIP

[Toastmasters International](#)

2013-2020; 2024-Present

Memberships

- Communicators at IUPUI, Indianapolis, Indiana, United States (2024-Present)
- Mercury Club, Beirut, Lebanon (2019-2020)
- Speakers & Leaders Club, Beirut, Lebanon (2013-2020)

Leadership

- Area Director of Lebanon, Beirut, Lebanon (2018-2019)
- Speakers & Leaders Club Mentor, Beirut, Lebanon (2017-2019)
- Assistant Director of Program Quality of Lebanon, Beirut, Lebanon (2017-2018)
- Speakers & Leaders Club President, Beirut, Lebanon (January 2017-June 2017)
- Assistant Director of Public Relations of Lebanon, Beirut, Lebanon (2016-2017)

- Speakers & Leaders Club Vice President of Membership, Beirut, Lebanon (2015-2016)
- Speakers & Leaders Club Secretary, Beirut, Lebanon (2014-2015)

Awards

- Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) award (2020)
 - Of the first six members to receive DTM award in Lebanon; highest award given by Toastmasters International.
- President's Distinguished Area award (2019)
- Club Growth District award (2019)
- President's Distinguished Club award (2017)
- National Humorous Speech Champion award (2014)

Certifications

- Advanced Communicator Gold (2020)
- Advanced Communicator Silver (2020)
- Advanced Leader Silver (2019)
- Advanced Communicator Bronze (2018)
- Excellence and Appreciation awarded by United Arab Emirates District Council (2016)
- Advanced Leader Bronze (2016)
- Competent Communicator (2015)
- Competent Leader (2014)

Workshops and Mentorship

2015-2019

- Mentored incoming club members on their public speaking and leadership tracks.
- Delivered workshops on impromptu speaking, stage fright, pitching, speech writing, and body language workshops in collaboration with non-governmental organizations based in Lebanon, including TEDx, AMIDEAST, AltCity, INJAZ Lebanon, and the Changemaker Festival.

RELEVANT ACADEMIC SERVICE

Proposal Reviewer, ACM-SIGDOC Student Research Competition 2023
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

Graduate Representative, Graduate Student English Association
English Department, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

- Emerging Scholar Award Judge (2024)
- Graduate Studies Community Representative (2022-2023)
- International Students Representative (2021-2022)

Faculty Judge, Purdue Undergraduate Research Conference 2023
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

Editor, [Rusted Radishes Beirut Literary and Art Journal](#)

American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Solicited submissions and edited non-fiction prose of selected applicants in issues 2, 3, and 4; served on the journal team to put together the print issues; assisted in planning and managing the journal's launch events, readings, workshops, and selling booths.

Staff Writer, [Outlook](#) Student Newspaper

2014-2015

American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Wrote news reports and opinion pieces for the newspaper's weekly issues; met with staff to brainstorm weekly topics and distribute writing tasks.

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Disability Studies in Rhetoric and Composition, CCCC Standing Group.
- East Central Writing Center Association.
- International Writing Centers Association.
- National Conference in Peer Tutoring in Writing.
- Toastmasters International.

LANGUAGES

- Arabic (native)
- English (native)
- French (basic competency)

CURRENT CERTIFICATIONS

- CITI Training in Social/Behavioral Research (Basic) and Responsible Code of Research (RCR), Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.
- Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, United States.