EDUCATION

2010 VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

 ${\it Master}\ of\ Fine\ Arts\ in\ Design\ and\ Visual\ Communications, \\ {\it Awarded}$

with Distinction

Thesis: Visualizing Cultural Impermanence Through Entropic Design

2004 VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Communication Arts and Design, Cum Laude

Concentration: Drawing, Illustration, Visual Studies

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

2004 THE ILLUSTRATION ACADEMY

Seven-week immersive program in the business of illustration; facilitated by Society of Illustrators award winners and notable professionals who mentor, instruct, provide demonstrations, and guide research.

2003

LORENZO DE'MEDICI SCHOOL OF ART, FLORENCE, ITALY

An illustration-intense summer program touring Italy to visually observe and document through painting and sketching.

CURRENT APPOINTMENT

2022-PRESENT Associate Professor, Design

TENURED + PROMOTED 2022 The School of Visual Art + Design

University of South Carolina Columbia, South Carolina

PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

2019-2022 Assistant Professor, Design

The School of Visual Art + Design University of South Carolina Columbia, South Carolina

2016-2019 Assistant Professor, Graphic Design, Tenure Track

The Hite Institute of Art & Desogm

University of Louisville Louisville, Kentucky

2015-2016 Assistant Professor, Graphic Design and Illustration, Tenure Track

Department of Art & Design Middle Tennessee State University

Murfreesboro, Tennessee

2011-2015

Assistant Professor, Graphic Design and Illustration, Tenure Track

Virginia State University Petersburg, Virginia

2010-2011

Adjunct Faculty, Graphic Design

Virginia Commonwealth University

Richmond, Virginia

2008 – 2010

Graduate Teaching Faculty, Graphic Design

Virginia Commonwealth University

Richmond, Virginia

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

2005 - PRESENT CURIOSITYHQ

Freelance design, illustration, and creative services studio.

Select clients: Nature's Recipe, Bacardi, Farm Credit Mid America, Louisville Metro Housing Coalition, HBO, Kentucky State Parks, Allstate, Cracker Barrel, The Gap, VA Lottery, Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce, VCUarts, The Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, University of Louisville, University of South Carolina, Koger Center for the Arts, Vote411, The League of Women Voters.

2010 Graphic Designer

JHI

Richmond, Virginia

Nationally renowned design and creative services agency.

Responsible for creative solutions. Worked closely with PM, CD, and vendors on specialized projects for both print and web. Utilized agile practices to create front-end UI.

2009-2011 Gallery Director and Exhibit Curator

HOPE GALLERY Richmond, Virginia

2005-2008 Graphic Designer, Marketing Coordinator

BIG IMAGE GRAPHICS Richmond, Virginia

Grand format printing and design company.

Brand development, digital, print marketing collateral, front end web and content management.

2005 Designer, Consultant

PROPHET

Strategic brand and marketing consultants.

Richmond, Virginia

RESEARCH + CREATIVE ACTIVITY

HONORS + AWARDS

2025 McCausland Faculty Fellow

University of South Carolina McCausland College of Arts & Sciences

International Design Awards (IDA)

Graphic Design Bronze Award - Standard American Target

International Creative Quarterly 77

Graphic Design Winner - Standard American Target

2024 The Design Kids (thedesignkids.org)

Top 30 Global Design Lecturer

2023 International Design Awards (IDA)

Graphic Design Official Selection - Private Matter

International Creative Quarterly 70

Graphic Design - Private Matter

2022 International Design Awards (IDA)

Graphic Design Award Nominee – Intention AR Poster Diptych

2021 International Design Awards (IDA)

Gold Award, Graphic Design – Deeds Not Words Poster

2017-2020 MicroGalleries International Artist Collective

Selected as one of 50 international artists

2019 National Southeastern College Art Conference (SECAC)

Outstanding Professional Achievement in Graphic Design

2017 International Creative Quarterly 47

Graphic Design Award - I Will Gladly Lend You My Copy Poster

American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Louisville

Best In Show – Hite Art Institute MFA Poster

American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Louisville

Design Award - Hite Art Institute MFA Poster

2016 American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Louisville

Design Award - New in LOU Illustration Series

American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Louisville

Design Award - Lassen Volcanic Poster

2013 American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Richmond

Design Award - Body of Evidence Book

2011 American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Richmond

Design Award – Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Environmental Conference Graphics

2010 International Applied Arts Magazine

Award Winner, Illustration – Richmond Coffee Shop Series Illustrations

OUTSTANDING PRESS

2022 The Great Discontent Vol. 5

Global interview with premier creative periodical.

Print and digital. (link to interview)

2020 **Design Incubation** National Service Award Nomination

AIGA Design Educators Community

SHIFT Virtual Summit, 2020 (link to design incubation)

2018 Praise for dOGUMENTA artwork and press from the following international publications:

LA Daily News (link to LA Daily News)

artnet (link to artnet)

2016 Accolades for Type Hike and press from the following international publications:

Fast Company (link to Fast Company)

Communication Arts Magazine (link to Communication Arts online)

Dwell (link to dwell)

Typeroom (link to typeroom)

PUBLISHED REVIEWS, ARTICLES, ESSAYS + BOOKS

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2022 Khalili, Meena. "Professor / Partner / Parent / Practitioner: Making Room to Evolve in Academia" Dialogue Proceedings of AIGA SHIFT. Ann Arbor: Michigan Publishing, 2022.

Khalili, Meena. (2022) [Review of the book *How To Be A Design Student* by, M. Goldstien], *How To Be A Design Student*. M. Goldstien, Princeton Architectural Press. 2022.

2018 Khalili, Meena, and Brent Dedas. "The Remaking Language Project." *Creative Collaboration in Art Practice, Research, and Pedagogy,* Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2018.

IN-PROGRESS REVIEWS,

ARTICLES, ESSAYS + BOOKS

BOOK EXPECTED LATE 2026 Khalili, M., Dee, M., Landa, R. "Beyond the Design Brief". Routledge, Taylor & Francis Publishing. 2026. ESSAY EXPECTED LATE 2025 Khalili, M., & Hernandez, G. (2025). In "Designing with Purpose". Chapter, Rockport, Quarto. 2025.

DESIGNS FEATURED IN PUBLISHED WORK

2026 Khalili, M. Khoobe. 2022. Printed zine. Featured in Robin Landa, Next Gen Communication Design Fundamentals. Routledge, Taylor and Francis Group Ltd, 2026.

Khalili, M. *TYPO TOPO*. 2018. Animated projections on hanging large scale molded canvas. Feat. in Robin Landa, Next Gen Communication Design Fundamentals. Routledge, Taylor and Francis Group Ltd, 2026.

2026 Khalili, M. Standard American Target. 2024. Printed poster. Featured in Robin Landa, Next Gen Communication Design Fundamentals. Routledge, Taylor and Francis Group Ltd, 2026.

Hendrix, K., & Hart, P. "Authentic: Meena Khalili." Fig Columbia Fall 2024, vol. 44, 2024, pp. 68-68.

Moffit, E. Harmon, B. "Meena Khalili: Designer, Educator & Generational Storyteller." Jasper Magazine, vol. 13, is. 2, 2024, pp. 33-39.

2022 Keown, Lucas. *Printed. 1st ed.*, Hound Dog Press, 2022.

2020 Vangool, Janine. "The Drawn Daily." *Uppercase*, 2020, p. 9. (The *Drawn Daily* Series) International quarterly publication in Calgary, Alberta.

> Gowing, Mark, et al. Ficciones Typografika 1642: Typographic Exploration in a Public Space. South Wales: 2019 Formist Editions, 2019. Book.

> > Design featured in book documenting Erik Brandt's Ficciones Typografika installations.

2018 Walker, James, and David Rygiol. Type Hike: Arch. Texas: University of Texas at Austin, 2019. (Arch Poster)

Walker, James, and David Rygiol. Type Hike: A Retrospective. University of Texas Press, 2017. (Type Hike Poster)

Scalin, Noah, et al. League of Space Pirates: Precognitive Universe of Emergent Desire. Übercorp Publishing, 2016. (Illustrations)

EDITORIAL POSITIONS

2022-2025 Dialectic, University of Michigan Press.

Advisory Board and Community Liason

GRANT AWARDS AND FUNDING

2017

Fisher, B. (Principle Investigator), "More than Just Safety: School Security Measures and Academic, Behavioral, 2026-2027 and Social Outcomes". Khalili, M. Designer. Institute of Education Sciences Grant, \$1,698,525.00.

Khalili, M. McCausland Fellowship. \$30,000 for the years 2025-2028

2023 Khalili, M. McCausland Innovation Fund Artificial Intelligence Grant, *Process + Systems*, \$20,000, for the years 2024-2025.

Khalili, M. Nace, S., Dedas, M., Valdes, M. McCausland Innovation Fund Grant, *The Design Studio*, \$50,000, 2022 for the years 2022-2025.

Cutler, D. (Principle Investigator), Racial Justice Research Grant #125500-22-59457, SAVVY Arts Venture Challenge \$20,000 for the period February 1, 2022-April 30, 2023.

Khalili, M., Meaney, E., Graciano, A., Floyd, M., SVAD Pilot Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, Charette, Feb 2022.

Khalili, M. (Principal Investigator), Wayfinding, Augmented Reality, and Visual Storytelling. Advanced 2021 Support for Innovative Research Excellence (ASPIRE-I): Innovation Track I Grant, Office of the Vice President for Research, University of South Carolina, \$9,456.00. Development of work using augmented reality (AR) and traditional printed postcards highlighting several small businesses located in Columbia, Greenville, and Charleston, South Carolina to visualize impact from the coronavirus pandemic on restaurants and storefronts in the state.

Khalili, M., Valdes, M. (Co-PI) CLIMATE themed semester Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, *The Climate* Designers Collaboration, Fall 2021.

Khalili, M. (Principal Investigator), Artist and Professional Development Grant, Great Meadows Foundation, 2018 \$3653.00. Professional development grant to aid research and study at the Letterform Archive, Type@CooperWest, the Exploratorium, as well as several museums throughout California.

Khalili, M. (Principal Investigator), Typographic Form: History on Technological Horizons. Research and 2018 Creative Activities Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Louisville. \$2000.00. Research grant to aid in development of artwork titled, TYPO/TOPO, a moving image projection triptych.

Kinahan, K. (Principal Investigator), Heberle, L., Fosl, C., Khalili, M., Hillmer, R, Housing Justice in 2018-2019 Louisville Metro and Beyond. Cooperative Consortium for Transdisciplinary Social Justice Research, in collaboration with the Center for Environmental Policy and Management supporting the production of the Louisville Metropolitan Housing Coalition Annual Report, University of Louisville. Developed design for this continuation Grant in collaboration with the \$2.25 million dollar Brandeis School of Law 21st Century Initiative grants.

Khalili, M. (Principal Investigator), Architecture and Type: International Intersections and the Moving Image. 2017 Executive Vice President For Research & Innovation (EVPRI) R1 Research Grant, University of Louisville. \$3113.66. Professional development grant to aid research and study at the Tipoteca in Cornuda, Italy, to develop work based on the Venice Biennale 2017.

Khalili, M. (Principal Investigator), Anfinson, E. Instructional Evaluation And Development Grant, 2016 Middle Tennessee State University. \$949.94. Acquisition of photography equipment to update visual documentation resources available for all Art and Design students and instructors.

Khalili, M. Robert and Joye Ledford Graduate Scholarship Award, VCUarts. Awarded to continue research 2010 and speak in Doha, Qatar as part of MFA thesis work.

2009 VCU Graduate Art Scholarship, Granting Institution: Virginia Commonwealth University. Graduate student research award.

JURIED PAPER PRESENTATIONS + INVITED LECTURES

Khalili, M. Permanent Record. Visiting Design Lecture. Mississippi State University. 30 September.
 Khalili, M., Rigau, A., Shekera, A. Dialogues & Dishes. WEAVE, the AIGA DEC Conference. Normal, IL. 12 June.
 Khalili, M. Play the Algorithm. UCDA, University of College Designers Association. Charlotte, NC. 20 May.
 Khalili, M. Harnessing AI as a Useful Tool in the Art and Design Classroom. National Association of Schools of

Khalili, M. Harnessing AI as a Useful Tool in the Art and Design Classroom. National Association of Schools of Art and Design. Minneapolis, MN. 18 October.

Khalili, M. *Unlocking Augmented Reality in Graphic Design with Meena Khalili.* Boise State University. 12 Nov. Khalili, M. *Meet Me Where I Am: Building A Visual Bullhorn.* 2024 Southeastern College Art Conference, Atlanta, GA. 25 October.

Khalili, M. *B*tch Session*. 2024 Southeastern College Art Conference, Atlanta, GA. 25 October.

2023 Khalili, M. Design Dialogue. 2023 National AIGA Design Conference, New York, NY. 14 October.

Khalili, M. *Rebel Rules for Creative Curiosity.* Visiting Design Lecture. American Advertising Federation of Indianapolis. 31 August.

Khalili, M. Rebel Rules for Creative Curiosity. Visiting Design Lecture. Creative South, Columbus, GA. 31 March. Khalili, M. Rebel Rules for Creative Curiosity. Visiting Design Lecture. Western Kentucky University. 12 April.

Khalili, M. *Put Grind Culture to Bed: Pedagogical Strategies for Happier, Healthier Design Students.* 2022 National AIGA Design Conference, Seattle, WA. 21 October.

Khalili, M. Professor, Partner, Parent, Practitioner: Making Room to Evolve in Academia. MICA, Baltimore, MD.

29 October.
Khalili, M. *Rebel Rules for Creative Curiosity.* Visiting Design Lecture. Illinois State University. 20 September.

Khalili, M. *Rebel Rules for Creative Curiosity.* Visiting Design Lecture. Oklahoma State University. 31 March. Khalili, M. *Rebel Rules for Creative Curiosity.* Visiting Design Lecture. High Point University. 10 February.

Khalili, M. Cultivating Curiosity in Professional Practice. Visiting Design Lecture. Virginia Tech. 11 November.

Khalili, M. *Cultivating Curiosity in Professional Practice*. Visiting Lecture. Eastern Kentucky University. 2 February. Khalili, M. *We Belong Together: Practical Strategies to Foster an Inclusive Design Classroom*. SHIFT{ed} Virtual

Summit. AIGA Design Educators Community. August 2-6.

Khalili, M. (re)Introducing Yourself to the Workforce. Conference Workshops. 2021 National AIGA Design and Business Conference. 11 May.

Khalili, M. Putting Your Best Foot (Or Face) Forward in Virtual Interviews. University of Louisville. 26 March. Khalili, M. Entropic Design Series + Studio Visit and Lecture. Eastern Tennessee State University. 23 February. Talk in conjunction with exhibit Welcome Home: Her Liminal Asian-Appalachian Experience.

Khalili, M., Dedas, B. *Parenting, Happiness, and Playing the Long Game in Academia.* 2020 National Southeastern College Art Conference, VCUarts. 3 December.

Khalili, M., Dedas, B. *Evolving Curriculum in the Anthropocene*. 2020 National Southeastern College Art Conference, VCUarts. 30 November.

Khalili, M. *Design Educator Symposium*. 2020 National AIGA Design Conference. 11-13 November. Khalili, M., Ditmeyer, A. *More is No More*. International AIGA Design Educators Community SHIFT Virtual Summit. 4 August.

Khalili, M. Creating With Uncertainty. 2020 International MicroGalleries COVIDx Artist Talks. 20 May. Virtual conference broadcast with audience and engagement in Hong Kong, Australia, Spain, and throughout North America.

Khalili, M. Perseverance in Uncertain Times. University of Louisville. 27 March.

Khalili, M. *Make Unmake Remake*. Mississippi State University, College of Art Architecture + Design. 18 March. *Postponed due to national university shutdowns during the coronavirus pandemic*

Khalili, M. Cultivating Curiosity + Breaking Rules in Pursuit of Design. Evansville, Indiana. 14 November.
Khalili, M., Dedas, B. Mutual Ground: Rebelling Against Curriculum That Encourages Academia to
Stay in Their Lane. 2019 National Southeastern College Art Conference, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. 18 October.

Khalili, M. *Cultivating Curiosity + Breaking Rules in Pursuit of Design.* Windgate Center of Art + Design at University of Arkansas at Little Rock. 26 September.

Khalili, M. *Pursuing the T-Shaped Designer.* Humana Inc. Digital Experience Center, Louisville, Kentucky. 8 May. Khalili, M. *Women Leadership in Higher Education*. 2019 National AIGA Design Conference. San Diego, California. 5 April.

Khalili, M. Pursuing the T-Shaped Designer. Pennsylvania State University College of Arts and Architecture,

- Department of Graphic Design. 11 March.
- Khalili, M. *Pursuing the T-Shaped Designer*. University of South Carolina, School of Visual Art + Design. 25 February.
- Khalili, M. *Pursuing the T-Shaped Designer*. Indiana University–Purdue University Indianapolis, Herron College of Art + Design. 18 February.
- 2018 Khalili, M., Dedas, B. Mutual Ground: Rebelling Against Curriculum That Encourages Academia to Stay in Their Lane. 2018 National Southeastern College Art Conference, University of Alabama, Birmingham. 18 October.
- 2017 Khalili, M., *Teaching Fearless Design*. 2017 National Southeastern College Art Conference, Columbus College of Art + Design, Columbus, Ohio. 18 October.
- 2016 Khalili, M. *Cultivating Curiosity + Breaking Rules in Pursuit of Design.* AIGA Louisville 2016 Design Week. Cressman Center, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky. 10 August.
 - Davila, V., Gibbs, D., Khalili, M., Moore, C., *Design Education*. 2016 National Creative South Conference. 14 April.

 Main stage speaking event at sold out international conference for professional print and interactive designers including notable Aaron Draplin, DKNG, Forefathers Group, Walt Disney Studios, and CBS.
 - $Khalili, M.\,\textit{Meena Khalili Research} + \textit{Practice}. \ University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky. 1 \ February.$
 - Khalili, M. *Travelogues*. The Southern Literary Festival, Middle Tennessee State University. 24-26 March.
- 2015 Khalili, M., *Pens and Motor Oil: Sketchbooks from the Road.* 2015 National Mid-Atlantic College Art Association Conference, Mash Up: Navigating Art and Academia in this Millennium. San Antonio, Texas. 22 October.
 - Khalili, M., *The X-Acto Blade, The Mouse, and The Art of Problem Solving.* 2015 National Southeastern College Art Conference, NEXUS: From Handmade to High-Tech. Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, Florida. 18 October.
 - Khalili, M., *Meena Khalili Research + Practice*. Middle Tennessee State University, Department of Art and Design, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. 12 February.
 - Khalili, M. *Remaking Language Project*. Western Kentucky University, Potter College of Arts and Letters, Bowling Green, Kentucky. 10 February.
- 2013 Khalili, M., *Entropic Design as a Method of Visualizing Cultural Impermanence.* 2013 National Southeastern College Art Conference. University of North Carolina Greensboro, Greensboro, North Carolina. 30 October.
- 2012 Khalili, M., Entropic Design as a Method of Visualizing Cultural Impermanence. 2012 National AIGA Design Educators Conference, Geo/Graphics: Design, Education and the Transnational Terrain. University of Hawaii at Mānoa, Honolulu, Hawaii. 15 December.
- 2010 Khalili, M. *Case Studies in Branding.* Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts, Graphic Design Department. 25 March.

EXHIBITIONS

INTERNATIONAL

- **Matriarchal Design Futures: Bookstand 2125.** Typeforce 13, Chicago, IL. Invited Group Exhibition with over 950 attendees on opening night.
- 2024 International Fl3tcher Exhibition. EastTennessee State University. Juried Group Exhibition.
- 2023 Hong Kong Design Week. Beijing, China, INK (August 2022). Invited Group Exhibition.
- 2021 G:21 Summit "What The F*ck Is Prosperity?, Venice, Italy. August. Invited Group Exhibition.

 International Art Festival, Izmir Katip Celebi University Art Gallery, Izmir, Turkey. Sept. Juried Group Exhibition.
- 2020 Project Forward: 2047. MicroGalleries. Hong Kong. China. 11-13 December. Juried Group Exhibition
- 2020 *Project Forward: 2047*, MicroGalleries, Hong Kong, China. 11-13 December. *Juried Group Exhibition.*The Collage Garden, Out of the Box, Seville, Spain. 27 June. *Juried Group Exhibition.*
- 2018 fu:bar 2018 Glitch Art Festival, Zagreb, Croatia. 6-8 October. Juried Group Exhibition.
- 2017 MG Live Jakarta, MicroGalleries, Jakarta, Indonesia. 6-21 October. Juried Group Exhibition.

 Creative Quarterly 47, The Journal of Art & Design, NYC, Online Exhibition. Juried Group Exhibition.
- 2016 TYPOMANIA 2016, Museum of Moscow, Moscow, Russia. 28-29 May. Juried Group Exhibition. Fifth International Typographic Festival Typomania 2016.
- 2015 MG Live Bali, MicroGalleries, Bali, Indonesia. 2-16 October. Juried Group Exhibition.
- 2013 US & China Typographic Poster Exchange, International Exhibition Center of DaLian City, China. July.

 Juried Group Exhibition.
 - US & China Typographic Poster Exchange, Gallery of Beijing Institute of Graphic Communication, China. July. Juried Group Exhibition.
 - US & China Typographic Poster Exchange, Gallery of Institute of Fine Arts of ShanTou University, China.

July. Juried Group Exhibition.

2010 Applied Arts Magazine Winners Exhibition, Artscape, Wychwood Barns, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. August.

Juried Group Exhibition.

NATIONAL

2025 Permanent Record. The Visual Arts Center Gallery, College of Art, Architecture, & Design, Mississippi State University. August-October. Solo Exhibition

m(Other)ing. James Madison University. October 2025.

m(Other)ing. Virginia Tech University. February 2025.

2024 Dialogues and Dishes. Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, Illinois. Summer 2024.

Private Matter, AIGA Get out the Vote 2024. October 2024.

National Poster Exhibition. Queens University, Charlotte, NC. September 2024.

Take Me to Your Garden: Works from the Iranian Diaspora. Gallery5, Richmond, Virginia. September 2024.

Type Out Loud! University of Central Florida. January 2024.

Curated by Dr. Dori Griffin and Ashley Taylor. Exhibit of work by: Ben Blount, Brett Taylor, Ellen Knudson, Kelly Walters, Martin Mazorra, Meena Khalili, Rachel Simmons, and Amos Kennedy.

2023 Khoobe, Artifact Bold, High Point University, High Point, North Carolina. March 2023.

Juror: Kelli Anderson, globally renowned author, interaction designer, and engineer.

2022 Khoobe, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, Maryland. October 2022.

Private Matter, AIGA Get out the Vote 2022, Seattle, Washington. October 2022.

Khoobe, Sam Fox School of Design, TL;DR Zine Library. Washington University, St. Louis. Permanent Collection.

2021 Welcome Home: Her Liminal Asian Appalachian Experience, Eastern Tennessee State University Slocumb

Galleries, Johnson City, Tennessee. January-April. Invited Group Exhibition.

12 January: Exhibit opening

19 March: Studio visit and public lecture

2020 The Art of Motherhood, Sojourn Arts, Louisville, Kentucky. 15 April. Invited Group Exhibition.

 ${\it Justice}, Donna\,Beam\,Gallery, University\,of\,Las\,Vegas, Las\,Vegas, Nevada.\,7\,December\,2020.$

Juried Group Exhibition

AIGA Get Out The Vote, Get Out The Vote: Empowering the Women's Vote Exhibit. 22 August-15 November 2020. Juried Group Exhibition.

Raise Your Voice, Tubac Center Of The Arts, Tubac, Arizona. 2 October 2020. Juried Group Exhibition.

2020 31st National Drawing & Print Competitive Exhibition, Gormley Gallery, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Baltimore, Maryland. September 2020. Juried Group Exhibition.

Juror: Doreen Bolger, Former Director of the Baltimore Museum of Art.

Form, Line, Space, Shape, Todd Art Gallery, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

March-May. Juried Group Exhibition.

Apart, Paradowski Creative, St. Louis, Missouri. April 2020. Juried Group Exhibition.

Voting Daughters, The Foundry, St. Louis, Missouri. 23 March 2020. Juried Group Exhibition.

Story Lines, Potter Art Gallery, Missouri Western State University. January 2020. Juried Group Exhibition.

2019 ThinkSmall10, Artspace Gallery, Richmond, Virginia. 15 October. Juried Group Exhibition.

Gridlock, Forest Giant, Louisville, Kentucky. 1 October. Invited Group Exhibition.

 $\textit{Meena Khalili: Drawn Daily,} \ \textbf{Windgate Center for Art+Design, University of Arkansas at Little Rock.}$

August-September. Solo Exhibition

22 August: Exhibit Opening

19 September: Exhibit Closing Lecture to Students and Teachers

SheVotes100, FUSE 2019 Conference, Chicago, Illinois. 5 April 2019. Juried Group Exhibition.

Jurors: IBM Global Leader, Design Principal Liz Kiehner and Kieth Olwell.

Type Hike: Arch, Brennan's Work & Leisure, St. Louis, MO. February 22. National Juried Group Exhibition.

Work sold to raise money for Gateway Arch Park Foundation. \$8,000 donated. http://typehike.com/about

2018 Southeastern College Art Conference National Juried Exhibition, UAB Abroms-Engel Institute for the Visual Arts, Birmingham, AL. 17-20 October. Juried Group Exhibition.

Positive / Negative 34, Eastern Tennessee State University Slocumb Galleries, Johnson City, Tennessee. February 22. *Juried Group Exhibition.*

Juror: Ann Meisinger, Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC

dOGUMENTA, FIGat7th, Los Angeles, California. 14-23 September. Juried Group Exhibition. Lebowskiland, Land Gallery, Portland, Oregon. 28 June. Juried Group Exhibition.

ArtLink Contemporary Exhibition, Auer Center for Arts and Culture, Fort Wayne, Indiana.5 January.

Juried Group Exhibition.

Gold For A Silver Situation, Gallery 5, Richmond, Virginia. 4 January. Invited Group Exhibition.

2017 Lassen Volcanic National Park Poster, Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division Washington, D.C. http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.pnp/pp.print. Permanent Collection.

12th National Juried Exhibit: Art of Protest, Imago Gallery, Warren, Rhode Island. 20 October. Juried Group Exhibition.

Meena Khalili: New in LOU 365, Wakeley Gallery, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, Illinois. September. Solo Exhibition

130 Years of Übercorp, Gallery 5 Richmond, Virginia. 1 September. Invited Group Exhibition.

Type Hike, Chicago Design Museum, Chicago, Illinois. 28 June. Juried Group Exhibition.

Word Jumble: Gestalt, bG Gallery, Santa Monica, California. 1 May. Juried Group Exhibition.

Type Hike, The Southern Gallery, Charleston, South Carolina. 27 April. Juried Group Exhibition.

32nd Annual National Juried Positive Negative Show. Slocumb Tipton Galleries, Johnson City, Tennessee. 13 March. Juried Group Exhibition.

Juror: Anja Foerschner of the Getty Research Institute.

Type Hike, Wichita State University, Wichita, Kansas. 17 February. Juried Group Exhibition.

Type Hike, Type Director's Club of New York, New York. 16 February. Juried Group Exhibition.

Type Hike, Poler Stuff, Laguna Beach, California. 1 December. Juried Group Exhibition.

Type Hike, Poler Stuff, Portland, Oregon. 9 December. Juried Group Exhibition.

Type Hike, Mississippi State University, Mississippi. 28 November. Juried Group Exhibition.

Work sold to raise money for the United States National State Parks. \$7,900 donated to the National Park Foundation. http://typehike.com/about

2016 AIGA Poster Show: Ballots + Brews, CoRK Gallery, Jacksonville, Florida. 1 October. Juried Group Exhibition.

AIGA Poster Show, Jacksonville Public Library, Jacksonville, Florida. 1 October. Juried Group Exhibition.

ThinkSmall8, Artspace Gallery, Richmond, Virginia. 8 November. Juried Group Exhibition.

Meena Khalili: Kinetic TypoGraphy, ArtSpace Gallery, Richmond, Virginia. January. Solo Exhibition.

2016 Remaking Language, Corridor Gallery, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky. January.

Two-Person Exhibition.

2015 Ficciones Typografika installation, Minneapolis, Minnesota. May. Solo Exhibition.

The RVA Guide To Those Who Ride, Chattanooga Public Library Zine Library, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Permanent Collection.

2014 ZooFari: Friends of the National Zoo (FONZ), Smithsonian's National Zoo, Washington, D.C., 21 April.

Work sold to raise money for the National Zoo.

It's over. I know. Brooklyn Art Library, Brooklyn, New York. Group Exhibition.

ThinkSmall7, Artspace Gallery, Richmond, Virginia. 30 October. Juried Group Exhibition.

Travelogues III. Brooklyn Art Library, Brooklyn, New York. Group Exhibition.

2013 Skull Appreciation Exhibition, Mütter Museum, Philadelphia, Philadelphia. 4 June. Juried Group Exhibition.

Travelogues II. Brooklyn Art Library, Brooklyn, New York. Group Exhibition.

2012 Skull Appreciation Exhibition, Gallery5, Richmond, Virginia. 3 June. Juried Group Exhibition.

2011 Travelogues I. Brooklyn Art Library, Brooklyn, New York. Group Exhibition.

2009 Word Play, Gallery5, Richmond, Virginia. 9 November. Juried Group Exhibition.

Word Play, Art at 12, Boston, Massachusettes. 1 September. Juried Group Exhibition.

Word Play, Scene Metrospace, Detroit, Michigan. 19 July. Juried Group Exhibition.

REGIONAL

2023 The Project Juried Show, The Koger Center for Performing Arts

Kentucky, Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

The Graphic Eye: South Carolina and the Intersection of Art and Design, South Carolina State Museum, Columbia, South Carolina. 7 May. Invited Group Exhibition.

Deeds Not Words, South Carolina State Museum, Columbia, South Carolina. Permanent Collection.

2018 ART280, Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington, West Virginia. 21 July. Juried Group Exhibition.
58 works of art selected out of 800 entries. Showcasing art from 280 miles or closer, the triennial juried exhibition displays art works by 53 different contemporary artists who live and work in West Virginia, Ohio,

Kentucky Parks & Crafts, Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington, West Virginia. 21 July. Invited Group Exhibition.

Work sold to raise money for 46 Kentucky State Parks. 1750 Posters sold, 600 T-shirts sold, \$60K+ Raised. https://wearefieldtrip.com/work/kentucky-parks-and-crafts/

2018 New in Lou 365 selected pieces, Omni Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky. May. Permanent Collection.

2011 AIGA Grade 6 Awards Show 2011, Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, Virginia. 14 April.

Juried Group Show.

Winning work: Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) Exhibition Design

LOCAL

- 2023 Meena Khalili, Works on Paper, FemmeX Galleries. Solo Exhibition
- 2019 Meena Khalili: Works on Paper, NOD Gallery, Louisville, Kentucky. March. Solo Exhibition.
- 2018 Meena Khalili: TYPO/TOPO, Sheherazade Gallery, Louisville, Kentucky. 7 September. Solo Exhibition.
 44th Annual ADDY Awards Gala, American Advertising Federation Exhibition, Henry Clay, Louisville,
 Kentucky. 23 February. Juried Group Show.
- 2017 New Recruits, Cressman Gallery, Louisville, Kentucky. 25 July. Invited Group Exhibition.
- 2015 Remaking Language, Meredith Gallery, Virginia State University, Petersburg, Virginia. September.

 Two-Person Exhibition.
- 2014 2014 Letterpress Calendar, Visual Arts Center of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia. Juried Group Exhibition. Richmond Coffee Shop Series, Capital One Gallery, Richmond, Virginia. Invited Group Exhibition.
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 Emergence, Hope Gallery, Richmond, Virginia. June. Invited Group Exhibition.
- 2010 Virginia State University Faculty Exhibition, PAAL Gallery, Petersburg, Virginia. Invited Group Exhibition.
 Ink. Paper. Print., Richmond City Public Library, Richmond, Virginia. 10 August. Solo Exhibition.
- 2009 MFA Thesis Exhibition, VCUarts Main Street Gallery, Richmond, Virginia. 15 April.
 Annual Juried Show, Richmond Illustrators Club, Gellman Room: Richmond City Public Library,
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PANELS, WORKSHOPS, + OTHER EXTENSION TEACHING

2025 Workshop and Panel in conjunction with exhibition at Mississippi State University. September 2025.

2023 Moderator, "DesignHER", Columbia Museum of Art, Columbia Design League. March 2023.

Design panel discussion at AIGA Leadership & Advocacy Conference. Washington, DC. March 2022.

Panelist, "DesignHER", Columbia Museum of Art, Columbia Design League. 12 March 2022.

2021 Speaker, American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) National Design + Business Conference,

"(Re)Introducing Yourself to the Workforce, Workshop Series". 11 May 2021.

Speaker, Center for Teaching Excellence "MicroLesson on Miro, Gamecock Teaching Days." 4 March 2021.

Speaker, AIGA National Member Series "Panel Discussion on Mentorship in Design and Academia." 26 January 2021.

Meena Khalili of University of South Carolina, Kaleena Sales of Tennessee State University, Neeta Verma of the University of Notre Dame, moderated by Lee-Sean Huang of AIGA.

2010-2021 Mentor, CreateAthon on Campus VCU Mentor. Spring Semesters, 2010-2021.

CreateAthon on Campus is a 24-hour, work-around-the-clock creative blitz during which student teams provide non-profit marketing services on a pro bono basis.

2020 Facilitator, Graphic Arts for Social Change National Workshop sponsored by AIGA, October 2020.

Facilitated workshop with Nancy Skolos of Rhode Island School of Design.

2011 Instructor, "Advanced Graphic Design: Digital Typographic Collage." Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA. May 2011.

An intensive week-long course focused on the creation of typographic collage. Students learn basics of hand-drawn and digitally-drawn elements while they use found elements to create photographic collage using digital media, Photoshop, and Illustrator.

2010 Instructor, "Graphic Design: Poster Art." Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA. May 2011.

An intensive summer course focused on the art of the poster.

2009 – 2010 Instructor, "Monotype Printmaking Workshop." HOPE Gallery Summer of Arts, Richmond, VA. May 2009-2010.

A one-week course focused on the basics of monotype printmaking. Students learn basics of printmaking, acquire knowledge of tools and vocabulary.

Speaker and Instructor, "Monotype Printmaking Workshop." Virginia Commonwealth University Qatar (VCUQ), Doha, Qatar. October 2009.

A one-week workshop titled, "Think. Decompose. Create." In this class sophomore students deconstructed a self-defining memory by mapping it into parts and creating two visual responses to the memory. Through this process the students learned monotyping. The workshop included students from both sections of the Design Methods and Processes course at VCUQ.

COURSES TAUGHT

2019 - PRESENT

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COLUMBIA, SC TENURE TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DESIGN

Portfolio Studio - ARTS 448

Course developer. Capstone course. Student preparation for professional practice and job seeking. Development of online and print portfolios, and other collateral. Contemporary design and illustration discussions, reading, writing, guest speakers, studio visits, and a final public portfolio networking event. Emphasis on assisting each student in preparing for their unique future.

Interaction Design - ARTS 347

Course developer. Investigation and practice of user interface and user experience design for digital products as a contemporary fine art and communication medium.

Process + Systems - ARTS 346

Course developer. Advanced design course in the development of a range of self-directed content and emphasizing creation of cohesive messaging systems that cover a wide range of media. Creation of identity systems that are based on research and appropriate to content, context, and audience. Media may span environmental, motion, print, web, and packaging. Discussion of current design issues and trends. Graphic Design concentration only.

Typographic Design II - ARTS 246

Course re-write. Fundamental concepts in typography with a focus on long form text, hierarchy of emphasis, anatomy, pairings and exploration of grid systems using traditional and modern relevant digital applications.

Typographic Design I - ARTS 245

Course re-write. Fundamental concepts in graphic design with a focus on formal issues, employing the use of fundamental visual communication principles, image development, and using traditional and modern relevant digital applications.

Design Technology + Concepts - ARTS 102

Course developer. Fundamental methods of solving visual problems found in the design arts with an emphasis on clarity and immediacy of the solution for a general audience.

2016 – 2019 UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY TENURE TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DESIGN

Web Design - ART 576

Course developer. Investigation and practice of website design as a contemporary fine art and communication medium.

Design for Interaction – ART 577

Course developer. Investigation of formal design process within context of designing for human interaction; advanced problems in prototyping physical and digital objects.

Design Methods - ART 205

Foundation course for Graphic Design BFA applicants. Fundamental methods of solving visual communication problems found in the design arts with an emphasis on clarity and immediacy of the solution for a general audience.

Adventures in Design: Methods + Processes - ART 520

Course developer. An in-depth investigation of experimental methods of the design process within the context of designing effective visual communications. This studio-based exploration of graphic design revolves around unconventional projects with emphasis placed on experimentation and observation.

The Book Form (Publication Design) - ART 574

Print-based course exploring the communication and expressive possibilities of bound pages as a medium for words and images.

Typography I – ART 571

Fundamental concepts in typography, including typeface anatomy, crafting body copy, hierarchy, and typeface pairings. Understanding the use of basic formats of the grid.

2015 – 2016 MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY, MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE TENURE TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DESIGN AND ILLUSTRATION

Senior Project - ART 4320

Capstone senior course. Students develop their BFA Senior Project.

Typography in Motion – ART 4410

Motion-based course exploring animation focusing on Adobe AfterEffects.

Digital Illustration - ART 4280

In-depth study of raster and vector-based software. Conceptualization, technical skills, and professional practices are emphasized. Explores the latest trends in digital illustration, developing strategies for producing ideas, simulating projects produced in the field, and discussing how illustration feeds into the design world.

Typographic Design – ART 2325

Studio course focusing on communication problem solving through the visual medium of language. The fundamentals of typography and typographic design are explored.

Word and Image – ART 3325

Introduction to basic graphic design and visual communications principles, as well as the history of design. Concept development and basic layout skills are taught through assignments that investigate graphic communication in a variety of 2- and 3-dimensional forms. These include print media, packaging, promotional systems and technology.

Beginning Illustration - ART 4290

Introduction to illustration. Studio course devoted to skills development with traditional tools, as well as time and project management. Touches on history and business of illustration.

Advanced Illustration - ART 4300

An advanced illustration studio course devoted to conceptual, editorial, creative thinking, problem solving, and compositional skills. History and business of illustration, trends, and forecasting. Students develop a portfolio of their work throughout the semester, apply to exhibitions and shows.

2011 – 2015 VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY, PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA TENURE TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DESIGN AND ILLUSTRATION

Letterpress - VCAD 499

Course developer. Instruction of setting metal type, the printing process. Touches on history of printing, science behind paper making, technology and photopolymer techniques.

Visual Narrative - VCAD 499

Course developer. Illustration-heavy course exploring the art of sequential narrative, character development and visual storytelling.

Digital Illustration - VCAD 310

Course developer. A digital follow-up to traditional illustration methods learned in Illustration I. Focus is on learning how to manipulate and use digital media in illustration. File organization, raster/vector, and use of tablet tools are center with an overarching theme of synergy between the traditional and digital mediums.

Illustration I – VCAD 300

Course developer. Beginning Illustration studio devoted to skills development with traditional illustration tools, as well as time and project management. Emphasis also placed on conceptual and critical visual thinking skills.

Publication Design - VCAD 315

An advanced design course focused on design for a wide variety of printed and bound publications, to include magazines, artist books, and professional folios.

Print Design – VCAD 302

An introductory course to design for print, focusing on layout, image and color integrity, prepress, and paper.

Graphic Design I & II - VCAD 203, 205

Intro and follow-up courses focusing on visual problem-solving using layout combining typography and image. Theoretical aspects of design are explored in experimentation through applied projects.

Typography I & II – VCAD 201, 202

Intro and follow-up courses focusing on communication problem solving through the visual medium of language. The fundamentals of typography and typographic design are explored in experimental and practical projects.

Two Dimensional Design - ARTS 103

In-depth investigation of the theoretical aspects of the design process within the context of designing effective visual communications.

2009 – 2011 VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR, DESIGN

Print I & II - GDES 345, GDES 365

Studio courses devoted to the study of systematic and methodological approaches to the design process and applied realization of print-based materials and outcomes.

Imaging II - GDES 216

A studio course focusing on... communication purposes, as well as the processes and media for making

visual images and the limits of visual literacy.

Design Technology I – GDES 202

Foundational design course focused on developing skills in design software and design technology: time and project management, visual thinking, image capturing, and editing.

Design Form and Communication – GDES 212

The relationship of form and communication in graphic design is explored through theoretical and applied projects. The impact of type and image is stressed, along with their syntactic relations upon audience.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS + STUDENT AWARDS

INTERNATIONAL

2025 Solenberger, Desiree. Communication Arts Magazine. Feature article. March 2025.

2023 Armstrong, Jane. Type Hike AR. High Point International Design Awards, Artifact Bold. 2023.

Echeverri, Fabianna. ColArts Fest. High Point International Design Awards, Artifact Bold. 2023.

2019 Chen, Joyce. Imagination Unbound. International Design Award for Multimedia Animation, 2019.

Rayome, Jessica. CMYK Magazine: International Publication and Juried Competition, 2019.

2018 Kerns, Henry. Creative Quarterly 50: Winner. 100 Best Winner. Creative Quarterly International Journal of

Art and Design. 2018.

Johnson, Emi. WCKD GOOD COFFEE TAROT. Applied Arts Awards. Toronto, Ontario, Canada., 2017.

NATIONAL

2024 Hoffman, Sara. Peebles. Student Gold National ADDY 2023, American Advertising Federation, 2024.

2023 Neath, Daniel. GLITCH National Juried Design Exhibition, Mississippi State University. 2023.

Armstrong, Jane. WORK National Juried Student Design Exhibition, Jackson State University. 2023. Echeverri, Fabianna. WORK National Juried Student Design Exhibition, Jackson State University. 2023.

2022 Rebl, Rebecca. WORK National Juried Student Design Exhibition, Jackson State University. 2022.

2021 Pallmann, Susan. Best Foot Forward. National AIGA 100 Show, Notable Award, 2021.

Nolan, Cheyenne. Heaven Hill Brand Identity. Best In Show, Flux, National Juried Design Competition, 2019.

Susan, Pallmann. See the Bigger Picture. Flux, National Juried Design Competition, 2019.

2019 Simone, Taylor. Langston Hughes Poster Series. Flux, National Juried Design Competition, 2019. Parker, Luke. Student Animations/Film/TV Winner. Creative Communication Awards (C2A), National Juried Competition, 2019.

Nolan, Cheyenne. Humana UX Internship. Humana Insurance, Inc., 2018.

1 of 4 national internships with \$36,000 stipend awarded.

2014 Gardener, Christian. Fellowship Awardee. Congressional Black Caucus, 2014.

REGIONAL

2024 Hoffman, Sara. Peebles. Student Gold ADDY, 2023 District Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, 2024.

2021 Pallmann, Susan. Best Foot Forward. Student Silver ADDY, District 5 Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, 2021.

Pallmann, Susan. Crescendo. Student Silver ADDY, District 5 Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, 2021.

LOCAL

2024

Pershyna, Margo. 2024 Student Silver ADDY, Interaction. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2025.
Milliner, Sofia. 2024 Student Silver ADDY, Interaction. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2025.
Issa, Kristen. 2024 Student Silver ADDY, Cross-Platform Interactive Campaign. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2025.

Churchill, Joe. 2024 Student Silver ADDY, Cross Platform Campaign. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2025.

McCants, Constance. 2023 Student Silver ADDY, Interaction. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2024.

Hoffman, Sara. 2023 Student Special Judges Award. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2024. Roznowski, Thomas. 2023 Student Silver ADDY, Interactive. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2024.

Solenberger, Desiree. 2023 Student Silver ADDY, Interactive. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2024.

Shaull, Semaj. 2023 Student Silver ADDY, Interactive. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2024. Elhers, Chloe. 2023 Student Silver ADDY, Print Design. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2024. Hoffman, Sara. 2022 Student Silver ADDY, Sales and Marketing. American Advertising Federation, Columbia. SC. 2023.

Owen, Liam. 2022 Student Silver ADDY, Out of Home Transit Advertising. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2023.

Shaull, Semaj. 2022 Student Silver ADDY, Cross Platform Consumer Campaign. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2023.

Owen, Liam. 2022 Student Silver ADDY, Cross Platform Consumer Campaign. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2023.

Echeverri, Fabiana. 2022 Student Silver ADDY, Cross Platform Consumer Campaign. American Advertising Federation, Columbia, SC. 2023.

2021 Pallmann, Susan. Best Foot Forward. Student Gold ADDY, Louisville Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, Louisville, Kentucky, 2021.

2020 Goodwin, Saahirah. Porch Lock. USC Technology Incubator, 2020.

2019 Code Orange. Student Silver ADDY. Louisville Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, Louisville, Kentucky, 2019.

2018 Chen, Joyce. Mosaic. Student Best of Show ADDY. Louisville Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, Louisville, Kentucky, 2018.

Chen, Joyce. Shoptiques Identity Systems, for Integrated Brand Identity Campaign. Student Gold. Louisville Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, Louisville, Kentucky, 2018.

Johnson, Emi. Hi-Chew Motion Graphic/Ad. AIGA Louisville The Show, Winner, 2018.

Ganon, Carolina. Best Honors Thesis, Humanities, "Culture Type Brand." University of Louisville, 2018.

Eason, Matthew. Red Neck Wrapping Paper. Student Silver ADDY. Nashville Advertising Awards, American Advertising Federation, Nashville, Tennessee, 2016.

STUDENT EVALUATIONS OF INSTRUCTION

2023

2016

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

INTRO TO DESIGN TECHNOLOGY + CONCEPTS | ARTS 102

- "Professor Khalili was the most professional and organized professor I had this semester out of all of the classes I was enrolled in. Even with the class being fully online, she did an outstanding job at organizing assignments and due dates, and was super about answering students questions and recording demos for the class for extra help. I learned so much through her class all thanks to her.
- "Great professor who is very passionate about this course and wants to see others succeed. This is a difficult course to take, however her lectures and feedback help you."
- I learned so much! Lots of Adobe knowledge and super qualified professor!"

TYPOGRAPHIC DESIGN II | ARTS 245

- "Awesome to have a professor that knows what's going on and challenges students to think and create in a more in-depth and conscience way."
- "Professor Khalili has been my favorite professor during my time at USC. She speaks with enthusiasm & experience. She prepares for us in the early morning, setting up our homework submission for group discussion. The workload is heavy if you do not time manage well. Overall, the course is one of the best."

PROCESS + SYSTEMS | ARTS 346

"Professor Meena Khalili is not only an expert in the field of design, but an expert
in teaching her students. With every project you get the sense that she wants
her students to succeed and be prepared for the professional world after
graduation. She brings in visiting designers who are successful in their field to

- give guest lectures. These lectures provide us with valuable knowledge of the professional world. The way Professor Khalili structured this class allowed me to create a good portion of visual elements that I could put in my portfolio."
- "Meena Khalili is by far the most effective professor I've had while at USC. Her
 teaching style is beyond organized and effective, this course has made me feel
 extremely confident in my own work as well as becoming a designer in general."
- "Meena has helped me learn so much in every course I have taken with her. Everything is always clear, organized, and has a purpose. She never wastes our time or money and is always giving us resources."
- "Professor Khalili was so encouraging, an overall amazing professor, I learned so
 much in this class; it was so organized, and I always knew what was required
 and expected so that I could be successful. Professor Khalili cares deeply about
 her students and pushes them to be the best they can be, and it shows!"

EMERGENT DESIGN:CO/ CREATION WITH ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE | SCH01 ARTS 346

- "This class completely transformed by view of the use of technology in design and has changed the trajectory of my education.
- Meena is an engaging speaker and is incredibly organized with her course structure and projects, but is also flexible with adjusting projects as we move through the course. Her class was very immersive and we learned so much about AI.
- Meena Khalili is one of the best professors I have ever had at USC and I'm very
 grateful that I got to have her as a professor. She is great at prompting discussion
 and helping it enhance the content. I think that at times we had a lot of work
 to do to prep for our presentations with readings and other workshops.

INTERACTION DESIGN | ARTS 347

- "I am super happy to have taken this course. While this course is challenging, this is exactly the type of course that I want. It was the perfect amount of challenge, learning, and inspiration. Prof. Meena Khalili expects a lot out of students but I believe that the expectations have made students, including myself, create awesome work. I will be proud to put projects made in this [class] in my portfolio."
- "Meena is the best! She grades fairly and takes into account effort and process. This is
 a fast-paced course that can be very challenging, but she treats every student with
 respect, encourages us to push ourselves, and provides helpful and honest feedback.
 The Graphic Design and Illustration program is lucky to have her! This class was possibly
 the most challenging design course I have taken, and I learned so much from it. The
 inquiries were so vital to the success of my current portfolio, and I was able to explore
 so many different themes and ideas. I loved the fast pace, and the high level of work."

PORTFOLIO STUDIO | ARTS 448

- "Always extremely organized and makes class a very professional setting that helps get us prepared for the real world."
- "This is arguably the most helpful class that I have taken at USC. I really appreciate the instruction not only about portfolio and resume building but also things like taxes, contracts, and how to actually be a designer in the "real world." Meena encouraged all of us to put our best foot forward this semester. All of the visitors were thought out and applicable. I also appreciated the time that was carved out for studio work time and one one-on-one meetings. Meena is the perfect instructor for this course!"
- "Meena Khalili is a diligent, kind, and passionate professor. She's very clear about her
 care for the students and this is shown through attitude in class, availability outside of
 class, and personal connections made with students. She is by far the best professor
 I've ever had and hope to continue communication after graduation. She has been
 a great leader and offered helpful guidance on numerous occasions. She truly goes
 above and beyond her responsibilities as a professor."

*From USC Teaching Evaluation Section "Instructor Effectiveness" and "Instructor Evaluation" in Honors sections.

COURSE	TERM/YEAR	ENROLLED	RESPONSE RATE	INSTRUCTOR EFFECTIVENESS + EVALUATION *
ARTS 448 Portfolio Studio	Spring 2025	18	12	5
ARTS346-H01-SCHC2021Process + Systems Co- Creation with A.I.	Spring 2025	10	6	4.93
ARTS 347-001 Interaction Design	Fall 2024	18	3	4.94
ARTS 347-002 Interaction Design	Fall 2024	4	2	5
ARTS 102 Intro to Design Technology + Concepts	Fall 2024	20	16	4.81
ARTS 448 Portfolio Studio	Spring 2024	15	4	5
ARTS 346 Process + Systems	Spring 2024	19	10	5
ARTS 245 Typographic Design I	Fall 2023	19	15	4.84/5
ARTS 347 Interaction Design	Fall 2023	20	16	5/5
SCHC 400: Art, Design & Architecture in Venice, Italy (Study Abroad)	Summer 2023	13	13	5/5
ARTS 346/546 Process + Systems	Spring 2023	13	8	5/5
ARTS 448 Portfolio Studio	Spring 2023	9	4	5/5
ARTS 102 Intro to Design Technology + Concepts	Fall 2022	19	15	4.98/5
ARTS 347 Interaction Design	Fall 2022	12	10	4.82/5
ARTS 246 Typographic Design I	Spring 2022	20	10	5/5
ARTS 346 Process + Systems	Spring 2022	16	11	4.9/5
ARTS 102 Intro to Design Technology + Concepts	Fall 2021	16	5	4.9/5
ARTS 245 Typographic Design I	Fall 2021	19	7	4.98/5
ARTS 346 Process + Systems	Spring 2021	16	5	4.97/5
ARTS 102 Intro to Design Technology + Concepts	Fall 2020	22	10	5/5
ARTS 546 Interaction Design	Fall 2020	17	3	5/5
ARTS 246 Typographic Design II	Spring 2020	14	3	5/5
ARTS 346 Process + Systems	Spring 2020	14	4	5/5
ARTS 102 Intro to Design Technology + Concepts	Fall 2019	21	16	4.88/5
ARTS 246 Typographic Design II	Fall 2019	19	13	4.8/5

TEACHING HONORS + AWARDS

INTERNATIONAL

2024 Top Global Design Lecturer

Nominated by USC Students for International Teaching Recognition

The Design Kids Awards: Top 30 Global Design Lecturers (12,000 global subscribers across 50+ countries)

UNIVERSITY

2025 Winner: Garnet Apple Award for Teaching Innovation

Center for Teaching Excellence University of South Carolina

2022 Nominee Mungo Undergraduate Teaching Award

Office of the Provost University of South Carolina

2020 New Faculty Academy Graduate

Center for Teaching Excellence University of South Carolina

2019 Faculty Favorite Award

Winner in the Fine Arts + College of Arts and Sciences by the Delphi Center for Teaching and Learning

University of Louisville

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP

2018-2022 AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GRAPHIC ARTS DESIGN EDUCATORS COMMUNITY EXECUTIVE BOARD

Co-Chair (2020-2022)

DEC Symposium Conference Chair (2019-2020)

Communications Chair (2018-2019)

This committee is comprised of 15 design educators who represent diverse institutions and geographic regions across the nation, charged by the AIGA National office to provide service and the regions across the nation, charged by the AIGA National office to provide service and the regions across the nation, charged by the AIGA National office to provide service and the regions across the nation, charged by the AIGA National office to provide service and the regions across the nation of the regions across the regions acr

leadership to the Design Education Community.

2015-PRESENT University and College Designers Association (UCDA)

2013-PRESENT Southeastern Collage Art Conference College Art Association (SECAC)

2004-PRESENT American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA)

REGIONAL LEADERSHIP

2020-PRESENT EXECUTIVE BOARD, LOGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

 $My \ efforts \ on \ this \ Council \ are \ to \ help \ the \ Richland \ One \ Schools, specifically \ Logan \ Elementary, explore$

ways of bringing arts and design education into the K-12 space.

2019-2024 American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Asheville, NC

Female Design Council

FemmeX, Columbia, South Carolina

2011-2013 EXECUTIVE BOARD AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GRAPHIC ARTS RICHMOND VIRGINIA CHAPTER

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

UNIVERSITY LEVEL LEADERSHIP

2024-PRESENT University of South Carolina Provost A.I. Taskforce, Provost Appointed GD+I Club, University design and illustration club faculty sponsor

MCCAUSLAND COLLEGE OF ARTS &

SCIENCES LEVEL LEADERSHIP

2025-PRESENT McCausland College Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Committee
2022-2025 McCausland College of Arts & Sciences Faculty Budget Committee, Dean Appointed

SCHOOL OF VISUAL ART & DESIGN

LEVEL LEADERSHIP

2019-PRESENT School of Visual Arts + Design, Design + Illustration Program Area Coordinator

Computer Lab Renovation Liason and Design Consultant

Adjunct Onboarding: ARTS 102, 245, 246, 347

Recruitment Committee
Graduate Review Committees

Honors Thesis Committees

Graphic Design and Illustration Curriculum Committee

Graphic Design and Illustration Instagram and YouTube Social Media Content Lead

Graphic Design and Illustration Portfolio Review Committee Lead

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

2016-2019

Programs and Operations Committee

Exhibitions Committee
Student Affairs Committee
Recruitment Committee
BFA Thesis Review Committee
Graduate Review Committees
Undergraduate Advisor
Scholarship Committee

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

2015-2016

Scheduling Committee Scholarship Committee

Graphic Design Search Committee

Undergraduate Advisor

VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY

2011-2015

2025

Faculty Senate

Technology Committee Social Media Chair

Community Outreach Committee

Art & Design Program Development Committee

Undergraduate Advisor

GUEST JUROR + REVIEW SERVICE

promotion and tenure reviews University of Arkansas, University of North Texas, Kent State University

2024 book reviewer Moore, C. Political Illustration, Bloomsbury Press. 2024.

book reviewer Dee, M. Meharry, J. Working With Design Clients, Tools And Advice For Successful

Partnerships, Bloomsbury Press. 2024.

promotion and tenure reviews Portland State University

juror 2024 University of South Carolina Honors College Student Art Exhibition

2023 promotion and tenure reviews North Carolina State University, University of Minnesota Duluth

juror 2023 AIGA Asheville DREAM Grant Juror

juror GLITCH Design BFA Show, Mississippi State University

2022 reviewer Dialectic: Double Blind Peer Reviewer for 2022 journal publication

Dialectic is the AIGA scholarly journal of thought leadership, education, and practice in the discipline of visual communication design.

juror Oklahoma State University

BFA + MFA Exhibition (April 2022)

juror North Point University

artifact[BOLD] Exhibition (February 2022)

reviewer Goldstien, M. How To Be A Design Student, Princeton Architectural Press. 2022.

2021 Double Blind Peer Reviewer for 2021 journal publication

Dialectic is the AIGA scholarly journal of thought leadership, education, and practice in the discipline of visual communication design.

reviewer National AIGA Portfolio Festival

reviewer Parsons The New SchoolSenior Portfolio Review

2020 reviewer National AIGA Portfolio Festival

reviewer National Cancelled Con

April 2020 event + July 2020 event

2019 reviewer National AIGA Design Education Symposium

Double Blind Peer Review Process for 2020 Symposium

2018 juror 2018 Scholastic Art Awards

Louisville Metro Area Art Region-Design

2017 reviewer National AIGA Design Educators Community

2017 Faculty Research Grants

juror Graphic Design BFA Show Mississippi State University

2011 jury member The Alliance for Young Artist & Writers

Scholastic Art Awards

2010 reviewer National Portfolio Day

Virginia Commonwealth University

reviewer Virginia Commonwealth University Open House

2009 reviewer Senior Portfolio Review, VCU Graphic Design Department

NOTABLE SPONSORED PROGRAMMING VISITING ARTISTS + EVENTS

2025 Helen Armstrong, NC State University

Public lecture on A.I. and Design, multiple workshop with students, University of South Carolina.

2024 David Levine, Creative Director, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Virtual design lecture to UX design students School of Art + Design, University of South Carolina.

Brad Vetter and Adrienne Miller, Louisville, KY

Public exhibition, workshop, and design lecture to SVAD, University of South Carolina.

2023 Kate Bingaman-Burt, Portland State University

Design lecture to SVAD and workshop with students, University of South Carolina. Speaking engagement with greater public at Columbia Museum of Art.

2022 Dr. Lesley-Ann Noel, NC State University

Virtual public keynote lecture for 2022 SVAD Charette, University of South Carolina.

2021 Noah Scalin, Another Limited Rebellion, Richmond, VA

Virtual public lecture and workshop with ARTS 346 course, University of South Carolina.

Kelly Walters, Designer, Parsons The New School of Design, New York, NY

Virtual design lecture to School of Art + Design, University of South Carolina.

Gil Schuler, Designer, Illustrator

Virtual design lecture to School of Art + Design, University of South Carolina.

James Victore, Designer

Virtual public lecture to School of Art + Design, University of South Carolina.

2020 Maria Fabrizio, Designer, Illustrator

Virtual design lecture about process and client work to design students and the greater School of Art + Design, University of South Carolina.

Alex Mera, Design Lead at Zappos.com

Virtual design lecture about UX design to students in ARTS546, University of South Carolina.

Kaleena Sales, Designer, Tennessee State University

Virtual design lecture about mental health to students in ARTS546, University of South Carolina.

Dean Schuster, truematter

Virtual design lecture about UX research to students in ARTS546, University of South Carolina.

2019 Rick Griffith, Matter Design, Denver, CO

Design lecture to Hite Art Institute and workshop with students, University of Louisville.

2018 Derek Friday, Finndustry, Environmental Graphic Designer, Boulder, CO

Design lecture to Hite Art Institute and workshop with students, University of Louisville.

Karen Abney, General Electric, Lead User Interaction Designer, Louisville, KY

Design lecture to Hite Art Institute, University of Louisville.

2017 Type Hike Artist Panel + Exhibition

Moderated panel of artists from the series and exhibited all 60 posters, University of Louisville.

2015 Print Matters Tour, French Paper + Mama's Sauce

Printmaking and design workshop and lecture with students, Virginia State University.