



ICA ELECTION 2023 RESULTS

Julie Arnold, Director of Governance and Member Services

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The International Communication Association annual election has closed. The scope of the election included both association-wide votes as well as votes specific to any divisions or interest groups.

Thank you to everyone who participated by voting, and those that helped to promote voter turnout by sharing #IVOTEDICA23. We especially thank all those who ran for office; the high quality of our candidates continues to be a testament to the strength

of our organization.

CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS

ICA election results were certified by the Tellers Committee comprised of the Executive Director, the President and the Nominating Committee Chair. The committee reviewed both the list below, prepared by ICA's Director of Governance & Member Services, and checked it against the actual submission system's tallies to ensure accuracy.



TERMS

Unless otherwise indicated below, candidates elected in October of 2023 serve a two-year term beginning

Monday, 24 June 2024 (the last day of the 74th Annual ICA Conference in Gold Coast, Australia)

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Eun-Ju Lee, President (Seoul National U)

Passionate Pursuit of the Truth

While most of our members were working tirelessly on their submissions to #ICA24, I had some special experiences that led me to reflect upon what we do. On Oct. 19th, the Chairman of the New York Times Company and the publisher of the *New York Times*, **A.G. Sulzberger**, paid a visit to Seoul National University,

where I am on the faculty. I was invited to moderate a fireside chat with him, joined by **Carolyn Ryan** (Managing Editor) as well as **Sang-Hun Choe** (Seoul Bureau Chief). It was indeed a privilege, for I had the opportunity to pose several burning questions that had been on my mind.

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PRESIDENT-ELECT'S COLUMN

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Calling All Reviewers

Congratulations to everyone who submitted papers and panel proposals for the 2024 ICA Gold Coast conference. I am aware that sometimes even the best plans for on-time submission can be derailed, due to the vicissitudes of life and unexpected personal circumstances and world developments. I hope that you had a good experience during the process.

The next step is reviewing submissions. This is a huge task for the divisions/interest groups chairs, who need to assemble a line-up of dedicated reviewers. As we know, it is increasingly difficult to find reviewers for conferences, journals, grants, and books. We often get multiple review requests, as our global community of scholars continues to grow, while we are busy with research, teaching and other occupations.

Anyone who has been in the position of soliciting reviewers has first-hand knowledge of the extent to which academic work relies on the kindness, curiosity, and labor of strangers (as well as friends and colleagues). Free-riding is contrary to the spirit of our work. The entire scholarly enterprise runs on peer review - all of us carving out time to read and provide valuable feedback to our colleagues. We benefit from the dedication and ideas from each other. We are on this together.

So, we ask you, if you can make the time, to volunteer to review submissions. I am sure you will learn something interesting given the caliber of the work presented at our annual meetings. You never know what paper or proposal may spark interesting ideas. Please accept invitations or contact Div/IG chairs to let them know that you are available. I am sure they will greatly appreciate it. It will make their lives easier. Every email from volunteers brings a smile to program planners.

Also, if your conference plans allow for, also volunteer to serve as chair or discussant. After mid-January, when the decisions on submissions will be announced, program planners will try to identify suitable panel chairs and discussants. This is another opportunity to contribute to the ICA community by keeping time, moderating conversations, and sharing your thoughts on presentations. Thanks in advance to those who volunteer to serve.

We truly appreciate the hard work of program planners. Turning submissions into panels and programs is a remarkable feat and laborious process.

ICA AWARD NOMINATIONS

Katie Wolfe, Manager of Conference Services

ICA Book Awards (Outstanding Book Award, ICA Fellows Book Award) **Deadline: 6 December 2023**

ICA Awards (Applied Research Award, B. Aubrey Fisher Mentorship Award, Early Career Scholar Award, Outstanding Article Award and Steven H. Chaffee Career Achievement Award) **Deadline: 31 January 2024**

ICA has revised its deadline for book-related awards to allow the committee more time to read and evaluate the submissions. The two ICA Book Awards (Outstanding Book Award and Fellows Book Award) have a separate nomination period and deadline: **6 December** at 12:00 Noon ICA Headquarters Time (EST).

To nominate for one of the two ICA Book Awards, please go here: <https://www.icahdq.org/page/BookAwardsNoms>.

All other ICA Awards (Applied Research Award, B. Aubrey Fisher Mentorship Award, Early Career Scholar Award, Outstanding Article Award and Steven H. Chaffee Career Achievement Award) are now open for nominations. Get your nominations in before the deadline! **Deadline: 31 January 2024** at 12:00 Noon ICA Headquarters Time (EST).

To nominate for one of the five ICA Awards, please go here: <https://www.icahdq.org/page/AwardNomination>.

74th Annual ICA Conference

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In conjunction with ICA's 74th (hybrid) annual conference on 20-24 June 2024 in Gold Coast, Australia, we welcome proposals for ICA Regional Hubs worldwide to host events concurrent with the annual ICA conference.

Deadline 1 December 2023
<https://www.icahdq.org/page/regionalhub>

NEW FUND CREATED TO HONOR LEGACY OF ICA PAST PRESIDENT

Laura Sawyer, Executive Director



The passing of former ICA president **Dr. Klaus Krippendorff** in October 2022 was a significant blow to this community in which he loomed so large. In addition to the official services for his passing, he was honored at ICA23 in Toronto with a lovely, intimate memorial during which friends, family, and colleagues shared their memories of this icon of the field and wonderful, caring man. ICA is honored, now, to announce that the **Klaus Krippendorff Memorial Travel Grant Fund** has just been established (October 2023) to honor his legacy, impact, and decades of service to both ICA and the communication field as a whole. The fund will provide support for ICA annual conference travel to a promising Global South student

in the field of **Visual Communication**—long considered Klaus' "home" Division at ICA, though his influence was felt across the association. The fund was created by a generous donation from Dr. Krippendorff's estate and gifted into ICA's safekeeping by his wife **Dr. Margaret Thorell** and children **Heike Sullivan** and **Kaihan Krippendorff**, who will serve as trustees of the fund along with the current chair of the Visual Communication Division (currently **Dr. Saumava Mitra**). We express our heartfelt thanks to the Krippendorff family for entrusting ICA with this honor. Those who wish to donate to the Krippendorff Fund may contact Saumava Mitra, VCS Chair for more information.

WELCOME TO THE GOLD COAST

ICA24 Local Hosts: Oscar Davis (Bond U), Sasha Goodwin (Bond U), Chaundra Manorome (Bond U), and Samantha Vilkins (Queensland U of Technology)

After many years of organizing, ICA's annual conference for 2024 will take place at the Gold Coast in Queensland, Australia, on Yugambah country.

The Gold Coast is known as one of Australia's premier tourist destinations, known for its world-class surf beaches, year-round sunshine, theme parks and entertainment. It is also home to an incredible culinary scene, arts and culture, all surrounded by the natural beauty of lush rainforests, waterfalls, and bushwalking trails.

Three universities have campuses on the Gold Coast: Griffith University, Bond University, and Southern Cross University. The nearby capital city of Brisbane, where some of the pre- and post-conferences for ICA will be held, is home to another seven.

Here are some tips and information you should know about passports, documents, vaccinations, cash, restricted items, and biosecurity.

Winter on the Gold Coast

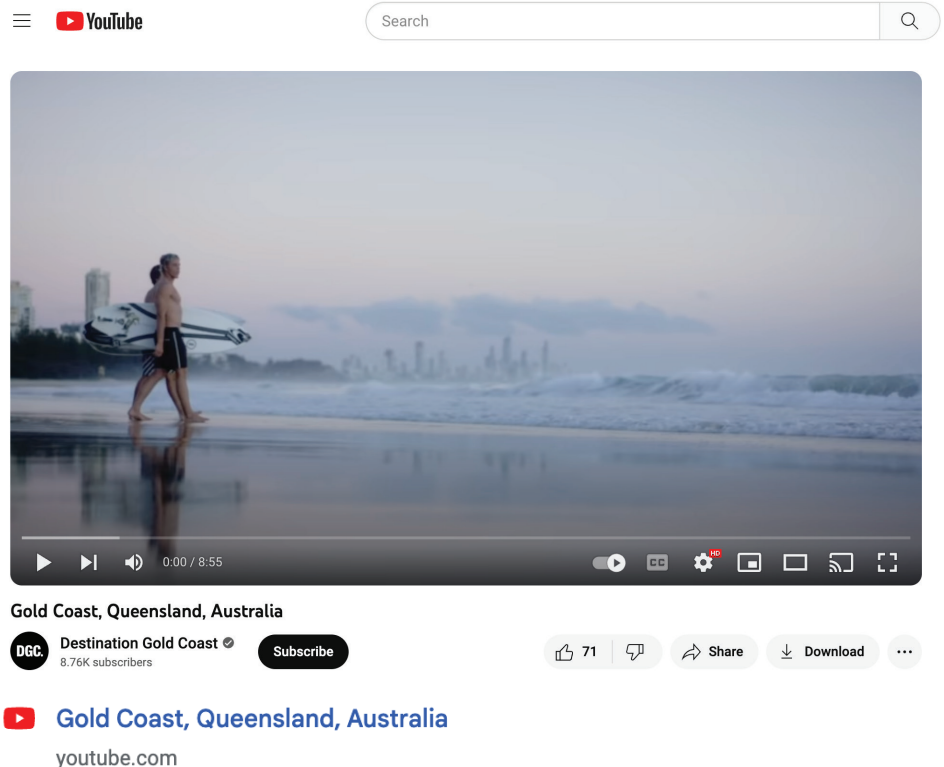
While June is winter in Australia, you will be in 'Sunny Queensland' with an average high of 21C (70F) and lows of 11C (52F).

This weather is perfect for walks outside, either in the hinterland or along the beach. It's also still warm enough to take a dip in the ocean so remember to pack your togs (swimmers!).

The winter is also the best time to catch the sunrise over the ocean, which normally happens just after 6am.

Accommodation Options

1. The Star Gold Coast, 1 Casino Dr, Broadbeach
2. Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre, 2684-2690 Gold Coast Highway Broadbeach



Our ICA24 headquarters is the Star Gold Coast, although there will be multiple overflow blocks to nearby hotels, such as [Sofitel](#). Please be sure to wait for our hotel block to open in early March - do not book at an ICA hotel without going through our room block - typically they will turn you away because they barely have any inventory outside of what we have contracted, but if you do somehow do it (by getting an uninformed hotel reservation agent), you'll pay more than double our negotiated rate AND your reservation won't be protected by our contract. Please refer to [our FAQs](#) for more information regarding accommodation options.

Getting to the Gold Coast

Entering Australia

Unless you are an Australian citizen, you will need a valid Australian visa to enter the country. For the purposes of attending the ICA conference you will most likely need a Visitor Visa (Business Stream).

Ensure that you apply for this visa early enough, as sometimes the wait time can be lengthy. For information on visa requirements and applications, please see the following: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/>.

You can travel to Australia without needing to provide proof of vaccination. The Australian Government has no COVID-19 requirements for travellers entering and departing Australia. COVID-19, however, continues to pose a health risk in Australia and overseas. **The Australian Government encourages wearing masks and being vaccinated while travelling internationally.**

Australia has strict biosecurity controls to help minimise the risk of pests and diseases entering the country. Check detailed import conditions on the [Biosecurity Import Conditions system \(BICON\)](#) website.

CALL FOR ICA JOURNAL EDITORS

DEADLINE: 12:00 Noon ICA Headquarters Time (EST) on 31 January 2024

The ICA Publications Committee is soliciting applications for the next editor(s) of **Human Communication Research** and **Communication, Culture and Critique**. The four-year terms will begin with a transition in September 2024.

Human Communication Research works to advance understanding of human symbolic processes with a strong emphasis on theory-driven research, the development of new theoretical models in communication, and the development of innovative methods for observing and measuring communication behavior. The journal has a broad social-science focus and offers important applications for scholars in psychology, sociology, linguistics, and anthropology, as well as areas of communication studies.

Communication, Culture & Critique publishes high-quality, original scholarship utilizing a diversity of critical approaches to place questions of power, inequality, and justice at the center of empirical and theoretical inquiry. CCC prioritizes qualitative scholarship that engages with wider historical, economic, cultural, and political dynamics. The Journal is particularly interested in providing a space for scholarship on, by, and/or about people and topics underrepresented in academic publishing.

More details about the journals can be found at <https://academic.oup.com/hcr> and <https://academic.oup.com/ccc>.

The Publications Committee seeks applications from individuals or small teams of scholars from the ICA membership. The successful applicant(s) will be expected to build an editorial structure that reflects the tremendous diversity of the communication discipline

around the globe. Multiple factors are considered when evaluating candidate applications, including, but not limited to:

- Clear understanding of the mission of the journal
- Clear articulation of an intellectual and operational vision for the journal
- Demonstrated openness to a range of epistemologies and methodologies appropriate for the scope of the journal
- Demonstrated interest and/or experience in theoretical development
- Demonstrated interest and/or openness to interdisciplinary work
- Demonstrated communication skills and diplomacy
- Reputation and excellence of academic output
- Editorial, managerial or administrative experience
- Tenure or advanced rank
- Institutional support

Team submissions should also demonstrate successful past collaboration and an articulation of how the workflow will be managed among team members.

A complete application package should include:


- A letter of application
- A vision statement for the editorship
- A CV for each candidate
- For each candidate, two letters of support from scholars familiar with the quality of the individual's research as well as experience with and suitability for journal editing
- A letter of institutional support from each candidate's home institution

Within the scope of their work for ICA, editors of ICA publications should be committed to respecting and enhancing diversity in terms of interest areas, gender, ethnicity, and national origin.

Questions and materials should be submitted to Thomas Mankowski, ICA Director of Publishing Operations (tmankowski@icahdq.org) by **31 January 2024**. Finalists will be notified in March 2024 and subsequently interviewed by members of the Publications Committee.

ICA PRESENTS

Architects of Communication Scholarship



Architects of Communication Scholarship - Brenda Allen on the Contributions to the Study of Difference published May 17, 2023
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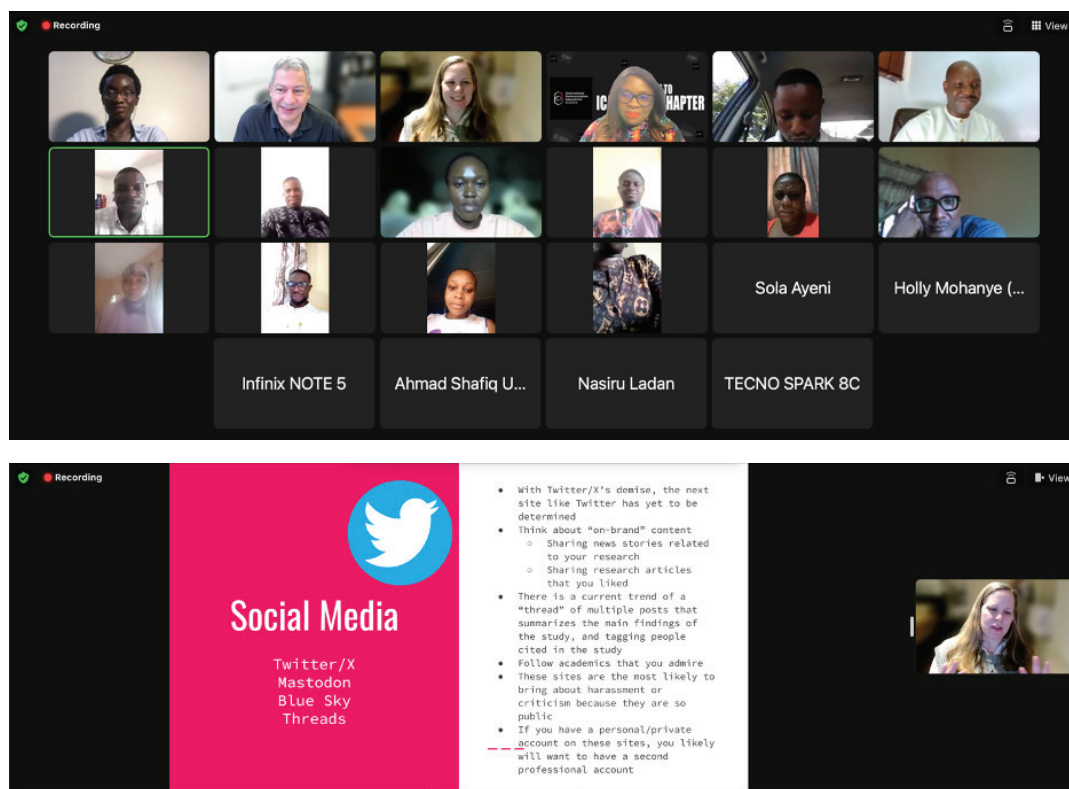
REACH-ING OUT: NIGERIA 3RD QUARTERLY SEMINAR SERIES (QSS)

Ekaete George, President, ICA Nigeria Chapter

Control the Narrative About Your Research Through Online Presence

The 3rd Quarterly Seminar Series hosted by ICA Nigeria Chapter was titled **Condensing communication research for emerging media content**. The seminar focused on how researchers can exploit the vast potential of emerging media platforms to increase readership and citations, attract potential collaborators or students, and build a reputation and social capital. According to lead presenter Professor **Katy Pearce** (U of Washington, USA), "the lack of a presence might ... let others control the narrative about you as an academic/researcher and as a 'brand'." Other speakers at the virtual event were ICA Nigeria members, distinguished scholars, and media practitioners Mr. **Tosin Aribisala** (Tosin Aribisala, Adekunle Ajasin U) and Mr. **Odoh Diego Okenyodo** (Nassarawa State U).

In her presentation entitled "Scholarly Visibility", Professor Katy Pearce, a member of the **ICA Social Media Task Force**, provided an in-depth review of academic, professional, and social platforms that are available and open to scholars who want to make visible their work, and in a manner that is impactful to the different audiences to which they cater. She noted that while being visible can be a time-consuming and vulnerable process, there are resources and avenues



through which scholars can establish their brand while maintaining a healthy balance between their commitments and mental health.

Mr. Tosin Aribisala, in his presentation on the Influence of Podcasting, made a comparative review of podcasting and traditional media. Podcasting possesses a depth and flexibility that can allow scholars to disseminate their research findings and recommendations to a dedicated audience. He concluded that more researchers need to utilize the unique affordances of podcasting to share their research for social impact.

Mr. Odoh Okenyodo led

a conversation on how and why condensing communication research for emerging media content is critical, considering the peculiarities of Nigerian society and the challenges that researchers must meet. Institutional, infrastructural, and socio-economic challenges can make achieving global visibility difficult; hence, seeking avenues that enhance the abilities and achievements of researchers and their works is needed.

Audience interaction with presenters and responses from participants during the presentations at the 3rd ICA Nigeria QSS was a highlight of the Seminar, moderated by **Ekaete**

George, ICA Nigeria Chair (U of Port Harcourt) and **Obed Hailsham** (Elan Hub Media).

Participants at the 3rd Quarterly Seminar Series (QSS) of the International Communication Association (ICA) Nigeria Chapter were drawn from universities, and practitioners within and outside Nigeria. Also in attendance was immediate past ICA President Prof Noshir Contractor.

ICA Nigeria 4th Quarterly Seminar will be held on Thursday, 14 December, 2023, in Lagos, Nigeria.

GOVERNANCE SPOTLIGHT: PABLO J. BOCZKOWSKI

Julie Arnold, Director of Governance & Member Services

Leadership at ICA comprises a robust group of ICA members bringing together varied professional methodologies, expertise, unique talents, and diverse cultural influences, from around the globe. With a Board of Directors of fifty individuals, five elected leadership roles per thirty-three divisions and interest groups, and a number of standing committees and task forces, our association is truly member driven. We are guided by, and grateful to, those who contribute to the association's success through service. Periodically, we'll introduce you to some of ICA's leaders to give you an insider's look at who helps propel the ICA mission.



Q&A with Pablo J. Boczkowski
Northwestern U
Chair, Fellows Book Award
Committee
(2022-2023 ICA Fellows Chair)

Q. Tell us how long you've been an ICA member and which was your first conference?

A. Montreal 1997 was my first-ever academic conference and, if my memory is right, I've been an ICA member ever since then.

Q. What is your academic/research focus and your methodological approach?

A. I study digital culture from a comparative perspective, with a focus on the Global South. I have primarily resorted to ethnography, but I have also utilized historiographic, content analytic, survey, and experimental methodologies.

Q. What is your favorite thing about ICA?

A. The people! This has become my main annual conference, and many wonderful friendships have emerged from it over the years.

Q. What leadership qualities do you most value and which are your personal strengths?

A. I value leaders who are visionary, ambitious yet pragmatic, organized, and emphatic. Personally, I'm an institutionalist at heart, and try to contribute to positive change incrementally, listening to all constituencies and proposing initiatives that everybody can support.

Q. What advice would you offer members interested in leadership roles with ICA?

A. Just do it!

Q. Describe your ICA leadership journey (where did you start, what roles have you held prior to your current role/s).

A. I was Fellows Chair 2022-2023; It was a great honor and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Now, I am Chair of the Fellows Book Award Committee (2023-2024).

Getting to know Pablo on a more personal level:

Q. If you could learn any new skill, what would you choose and why?

A. Play the cello! I love music, listen to it all the time, and think the cello is a beautiful instrument. But, sadly, I have zero musical talent!

Q. If you weren't going to be in the communication field, what career would you choose and why?

A. Digital media entrepreneur. I really like building programs and organizations, and think the digital space is ripe for initiatives that help decrease the rampant inequalities that characterize today's world.

Q. What do you consider to be your personal superpower?

A. My children think I have an eco-locator because I usually orient myself pretty well in a new city!

Q. If you could meet anyone (living or deceased), from the past, present or future, who would you want to meet & why?

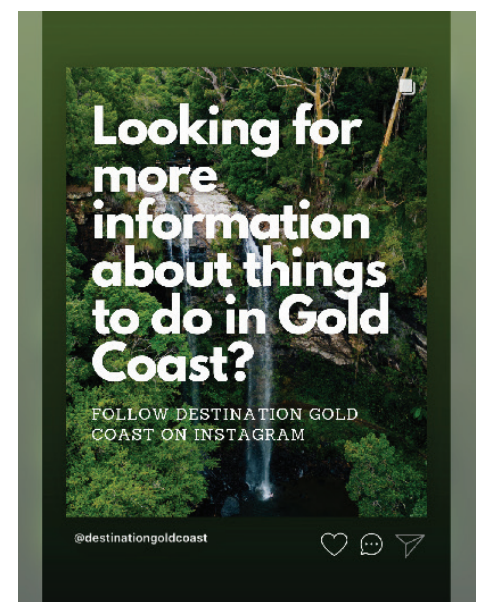
A. Joni Mitchell. Blue was the first album that blew my mind.

Q. When you have 30 minutes of free time, how do you pass the time?

A. Swimming!

Q. Are you team #dogsofica (or) #catsofica?

A. Dogs!





Top five reasons to GIVE THE GIFT of ICA MEMBERSHIP:

5. ICA MEMBERS ENJOY IMMEDIATE ACCESS TO AN ARRAY OF BENEFITS: The International Communication Association is the premier academic membership association for scholars engaged in the study, teaching, and application of all aspects of mediated communication internationally. ICA members enjoy access to exclusive [benefits](#) such as a generous discount on the annual conference registration fee, access to ICA [publications](#), and networking via [The Link](#) with 5000+ scholars across 90+ countries and more.

4. HELP BOOST SOMEONE'S CAREER: All active ICA members are eligible to apply for [engagement opportunities](#) and serve on committees, and task forces, and to run for a [division/interest group leadership role](#). Particularly for early-career scholars, association service is an excellent way to elevate their CV. It helps them promote themselves with a positive impression, develop creativity and innovation skill sets, and becomes a forum to apply their strengths. They contribute to the charge, problem solve as needed, and deal with a mix of personalities with varied career experience levels from diverse areas of academic focus. This helps to develop teamwork, leadership, problem-solving and interpersonal skills.

3. HELP STUDENT AND EARLY CAREER SCHOLARS

CONNECT: Students and early career scholars connect with their peers who comprise approximately 35% of ICA membership. ICA has two Board of Directors' members (Board Student & Early Career Representatives) who together co-chair a standing committee, SECAC, dedicated to graduate student and early career members of ICA. Its goal is to provide key resources for academic achievement, professional development. Each of the thirty-three division and interest groups has a dedicated (elected) Student and Early Career Representative.

2. FUNDING VARIES: Institutional support for professional membership varies greatly. Often, funding for faculty, and especially students, is limited, conditional, or non-existent.

1. A GREAT WAY TO SAY THANKS, CONGRATULATIONS, OR JOB WELL DONE! Often used as a reward for faculty or students who have gone above and beyond, or as an award for academic achievement (top grade, etc.), gifting ICA membership is a fantastic option to incentivize or reward hard work! It also makes a stellar graduation, successful defense, or promotion gift!

→ Give the Gift of Membership

Congratulations to the
Giveaway Winners




Ana Paula de Rosa
U do Vale do Rio dos Sinos
- Unisinos

Dongni Huang
Chinese U of Hong Kong,
Shenzhen

Congratulations to Ana Paula de Rosa, who was randomly selected from ICA members who renewed by 30 September to win a US\$25 gift card to the ICA Store.

Congratulations to Dongni Huang, who was randomly selected from voters using the #ivotedica23 hashtag to win a US\$50 gift card to the ICA Store.

Member Testimonial

One of the most enduring benefits from my ICA membership has been the fulfilling opportunity for me to keep up with cutting-edge research through ICA conferences and journals. Equally important, ICA has been a commendably inclusive forum.



ICA PRESENTS



Communicating for Impact

Tim Schatto-Eckrodt, Lena Frischlich, and Jason Hannan, Trust and Belonging in the Human Community Online published September 13, 2023

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: EVELYN HO

Karly Senesac, Member Services Coordinator

ICA membership is a community of scholars from various professional methodologies, with expertise, unique talents, and diverse cultural influences from around the globe. Our ever-growing member base is the backbone of our organization. We are continually grateful to those who participate in the association's success. In this new column, we will periodically introduce you to some of ICA's members.



Q&A with Evelyn Ho
Professor
U of San Francisco

Q. Tell us how long you've been an ICA member, why you joined ICA, and which was your first conference?

A. I've been an ICA member since 2004 when I went to my first conference in San Diego. I joined because I wanted to be more international with my networking and it has paid off!

Q. What is your academic/research focus and your methodological approach?

A. My academic/research interests are at the intersections of health and culture with a particular focus on complementary and integrative health. My expertise is in qualitative methods especially in observation of real-life interaction using discourse analysis and ethnography of communication. However, I also work in applied health settings so I do mixed methods implementation science research in community-based teams.

Q. How have you benefited from being an ICA member?

A. ICA is really my academic home. It has brought me in touch with research collaborators, academic

mentors and mentees, and now decades-long friends! ICA has given me a chance to practice professional leadership and community-building. It has also brought me to so many wonderful places throughout the world to have smart conversations with people who I learn from and learn with.

Q. Tell us about your favorite interaction you've had within ICA or at the conference?

A. My favorite interactions at ICA are always about connecting with others. I remember when I first started going to ICA, so many senior scholars seemed to have small egos and went out of their way to introduce me to others who shared interests similar to mine. As I get longer in the field, I try to do the same - find out what people around me are interested in - then try to connect them to others who might share those interests.

Q. What divisions and interest group(s) do you participate in and why did you make that selection?

A. I split my time between the Language and Social Interaction Division and the Health Communication Division. I think of LSI as the place where people approach questions of communication and culture the way I do with a hyper focus on the interactional and consequential natures of how people actually talk. Health Comm is my setting and context and I love that there are so many people studying communication differently with the same goals - to help people live healthier lives.

Q. What advice would you offer new members or to those starting in the field?

A. Go to business meetings and get involved. There's only so much

'networking' you can do while holding a cocktail, but volunteering and working alongside folks is where you get to make a difference and really understand what's going on. Oh and also - apply for travel funds if you need them!

Q. Which was your favorite ICA conference you've attended, and why?

A. I've had so many favorites, but I'll say Dresden because it was my first non-US ICA. For a long time I thought I could only afford to go to the US based ICA conferences. If only I knew about travel funds!

Q. Which professional accomplishment are you most proud of, and why?

A. Especially in relation to ICA, I'm going to say, the publication of the newest ICA Encyclopedia: the International Encyclopedia of Health Communication. I got to work with an amazing editorial team of ICA stars (Carma Bylund, Julia van Weert, Iccha Basnyat, Nadine Bol, and Marleah Dean) whom I would not have known half as well if I wasn't actively involved in ICA and who are now all dear friends. I like to think that if it weren't for our relationships in ICA, we could not have brought together the 600+ authors that we did from throughout the globe to publish this somehow while we all experienced Covid! I'm convinced it is the strength of the ICA academic community that helped us get through it!

Q. Who is your mentor/who inspires you and why?

A. I have so many it's hard to name them all - my original mentor - Kristine Munoz taught me work-life balance and the fine art of how

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STUDENT COLUMN

Christine Gilbert, SECAC Member, (Stony Brook U)

From Doctoral Program to Being “the Doctor”

It is perhaps an inevitability of being in graduate school that after being asked what field you’re studying and whether you actually enjoy reading that much, that well meaning friends and family ask “so when will you graduate?” During my six and a half years of graduate school, my response was a hedging non-answer of “well, my life as a faculty member won’t be that different from that of a graduate student, so I’m not rushing.” But as you may expect given the topic of this newsletter column, I was quite wrong. So that’s where I’d like to focus my attention for this month: one of the unexpected challenges of transitioning from graduate student to a new faculty member and a piece of wisdom that has helped me throughout this process.

1. A supportive graduate program hides much of the challenges of academia.

I’d bet that most of us have heard that being an excellent faculty member comes down to doing three things well: research, teaching, and service. And that the order of importance of these three components ultimately comes down to the school and department you belong to - research above all else at a research intensive university (“R1” in the United States) versus the importance of excellent teaching at an undergraduate liberal arts college. But what I failed to understand in graduate school, because my department effectively shielded the graduate students from much of the inner workings of life in the academy, was how much time deciding *which* of these three to focus on, on any given day, took. Balancing requests from new potential research collaborators to deciding which extracurricular grant preparation workshops to attend takes up an immense amount of time, because each decision requires thoughtful consideration. In graduate school - the task

was clear - learn, write a dissertation, and defend that dissertation. My advisor and faculty mentors helped remind me of this goal and kept the path clear for me. But as a tenure-track faculty member, where getting tenure is the goal, the “right” path forward isn’t always straightforward. Deciding what to spend a day with fewer meetings working on has been more challenging than I anticipated, which leads me to my piece of wisdom.

2. “This is a marathon, not a sprint.”

The experience of writing and defending a dissertation is simultaneously liberating and exhausting. It is the culmination of years, if not decades, of schooling and reflects a transition from novice to expert. However, what I have learned during my first year of being an assistant professor and now working in my second year, is that being a new assistant professor is akin, in many ways, to being a first or second-year graduate student. There are fewer holes in your knowledge about which research projects to say yes to, and how many office hours you are expected to hold per week, but you remain often the least experienced member of a department. I have also tried to embrace the idea that there is no “right” path to obtaining tenure - that the path is made up of many small decisions in service of research, teaching, and - no pun intended - service.

So if I could give any advice to those who are transitioning to faculty positions, it’s to enter this new opportunity with *curiosity* and the realization that there remains much to learn. You have earned your PhD, but this simply indicates your ability to learn new things and adapt. So ask questions, be humble, and most importantly, be curious.

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Important Dates for the Annual Conference



Election Results from page 1

and ending with the conclusion of the 2026 conference. Vice Chairs elected continue to serve two additional years as Chair (beginning with the end of ICA26 and ending with ICA28).

ICA WIDE RESULTS (16% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **President:** Thomas Hanitzsch, LMU Munich
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- **Professional Standards Committee, Member:** David Ewoldsen, Michigan State U

DIVISION & INTEREST GROUP RESULTS

ACTIVISM, COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL JUSTICE (11% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Christian Schwarzenegger, U of Bremen
- **International Liaison:** Yu Sun, U of Glasgow

CHILDREN ADOLESCENTS & MEDIA (29% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Fashina Alade, Michigan State U
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COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY (16% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Veronika Karnowski, Chemnitz U of Technology
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- **International Liaison:** Christine Cook, National Chengchi U

COMMUNICATION HISTORY (18% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Dominique Trudel, Audencia Business School
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Deborah Barcella, U della Svizzera Italiana

- **International Liaison:** Carlos Scolari, U Pompeu Fabra Barcelona

COMMUNICATION LAW & POLICY (23% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Michael Davis, U of Technology Sydney
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COMMUNICATION SCIENCE & BIOLOGY (22% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Kory Floyd, U of Arizona
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Yuqian Ni, Indiana U Bloomington
- **International Liaison:** Karolien Poels, U of Antwerp

COMPUTATIONAL METHODS (21% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Kasper Welbers, Vrije U Amsterdam
- **International Liaison:** Silvia Majo-Vazquez, Vrije U Amsterdam
- **Vote Bylaws Revision Passed:** I accept the proposed changes to the bylaws

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNICATION (17% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Hang Lu, U of Michigan
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ETHNICITY & RACE IN COMMUNICATION (12% VOTER TURNOUT)

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GAME STUDIES (20% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** David Beyea, U of

- Wisconsin - Whitewater
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Annie Dooley, The Ohio State U

GLOBAL COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL CHANGE (15% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Pablo Morales, London School of Economics and Political Science
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Florence Madenga, U of Pennsylvania
- **International Liaison:** Sara Monaci, Politecnico di Torino

HEALTH COMMUNICATION (15% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Nehama Lewis Persky, U of Haifa
- **International Liaison:** Edmund W.J. Lee, Nanyang Technological U

HUMAN-MACHINE COMMUNICATION (18% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Katrin Etzrodt, Technische U Dresden
- **Vote Bylaws Revision Passed:** I accept the proposed changes to the bylaws

INFORMATION SYSTEMS (19% VOTER TURNOUT)


- **Secretary:** Shan Xu, Texas Tech U
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Haley Hatfield, U of Georgia
- **International Liaison:** Wufan Jia, City U of Hong Kong

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INTERGROUP COMMUNICATION (19% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Zane Dayton, U of Kentucky
- **International Liaison:** Teri Terigele, Sewanee: The U of the South

INTERPERSONAL (14% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Anuraj Dhilon, California Polytechnic State U
- **International Liaison:** Meng Li, Loyola Marymount U

JOURNALISM STUDIES (20% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Eugenia Mitchelstein, U de San Andres
- **International Liaison:** Raul Ferrer-Conill, U of Stavanger

LANGUAGE & SOCIAL INTERACTION (17% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Bei Ju, U of Manchester
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Sandra Mensah, Shanghai Jiao Tong U

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER & QUEER STUDIES (23% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Christopher Persaud, U of Southern California
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Facundo Suenzo, Northwestern U
- **International Liaison:** Michelle Ho, National U of Singapore

MASS COMMUNICATION (16% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Christina Peter, U of Klagenfurt
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Femke Konings, KU Leuven - NOTE: This role

experienced an unanticipated vacancy. The elected person's term will be effective immediately upon the close of the election (Oct 2023) for a special 2.5 year term concluding with the final day of the ICA26 conference.

- **International Liaison:** Eno Akpabio, U of Namibia

MEDIA INDUSTRY STUDIES (13% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Athina Karatzogianni, U of Leicester - NOTE: This role experienced an off-schedule vacancy. The elected person's term will be effective immediately upon the close of the election (Oct 2023) for a special 2.5 year term concluding with the final day of the ICA26 conference.

- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Jasmin M. Goodman, Clark Atlanta U

- **International Liaison:** Jiaru Tang, Queensland U of Technology

MOBILE COMMUNICATION (28% VOTER TURNOUT)

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- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Morgan Quinn Ross, The Ohio State U
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ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION (16% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Oana B. Albu, Copenhagen Business School
- **International Liaison:** Debalina Dutta, Massey U - NOTE: This role experienced an off-schedule vacancy. The elected person's term will be effective immediately upon the close of the election (Oct 2023) for a special 2.5 year term concluding with the final day of the ICA26 conference.

PHILOSOPHY THEORY & CRITIQUE (17% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Blake Hallinan, Hebrew U of Jerusalem
- **International Liaison:** Heather Jaber, Northwestern U in Qatar
- **Vote Bylaws Passed:** I accept the proposed bylaws

POLITICAL COMMUNICATION (20% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** (Chris) Fei Shen, City U of Hong Kong
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Tali Aharoni, Hebrew U of Jerusalem
- **International Liaison:** Sandra Vera-Zambrano, U Iberoamericana

POPULAR MEDIA & CULTURE (9% VOTER TURNOUT)

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- **International Liaison:** Anirban Baishya, U of Wisconsin-Madison

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY (18% VOTER TURNOUT)

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PUBLIC RELATIONS (16% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Yang (Alice) Cheng, North Carolina State U
- **International Liaison:** Yuan Wang, City U of Hong Kong

SPORT COMMUNICATION (17% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Vice Chair:** Shaun Anderson, Loyola Marymount U
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Mackenzie Pike, U of Texas at Austin
- **International Liaison:** Ana Carolina Vimieiro, Federal U of Minas Gerais

VISUAL COMMUNICATION STUDIES (15% VOTER TURNOUT)

- **Secretary:** Kristian Jeff Agustin, Manchester Metropolitan U
- **Student and Early Career Representative:** Nataliai Laba, U of New South Wales

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President's Column from page 1

How we can advocate for freedom of the press when many, if not most, people don't trust legacy news outlets? What steps can the press take to fight misinformation and disinformation, especially when people believe partisan news outlets are the ones to blame? How is user analytics incorporated into different phases of news production at *the Times*, and is there a risk of prioritizing what people want over what they need? I didn't necessarily embrace the skepticism or even cynicism underlying these questions, but I was eager to hear their perspectives.

I won't recapitulate their responses here, but what struck me was a remarkable resemblance between what journalists (should) do and what we, communication scholars, (should) do: We all seek the truth, and in doing so, we help people better understand the world as well as ourselves. In pursuing these goals, it is crucial to maintain humility. To me, doing research is, in essence, a humbling experience. Based on careful and critical examination of existing theories and previous findings, we make informed guesses. We earnestly attempt to falsify our own predictions (albeit hoping that they will survive), actively engage with alternative views, and accept what the data reveal even when they prove us wrong. To stay mindful of our own fallibility is the very mindset we should hold on to when conducting research, and it is no different for journalists who strive to report facts "without fear or favor."

I also had the pleasure of attending an ICA-affiliated regional conference held at Atma Jaya Catholic U in Jakarta, Indonesia, with the theme "*Revisit Communication: Integrating the Basics with Digital.*" Dr. **Dorien Kartikawangi**, Chair of the ICA Indonesia Chapter, successfully organized the 7th International Conference on Corporate and Marketing Communication in a hybrid format, with over 150 participants. It was incredibly encouraging to witness the active involvement of students and early-career scholars in the program, and I thoroughly enjoyed every moment of vibrant conversations with them. They were eager to learn how they could apply what I had shared to their own projects in the local context.

Immediately following the ICCOMAC, there was another ICA regional conference in Bali, where two former ICA presidents, Drs. **Claes de Vreese** and **Noshir Contractor** delivered keynote addresses. There is no doubt that many exciting opportunities are brewing up, laying a solid foundation for an academic community that serves communication scholars in the region. Needless to say, I am thrilled to be a part of this journey and look forward to brainstorming how ICA can further support such endeavors. Now, getting back to ICA submissions!

Welcome to the Gold Coast from page 5

Flights to the Gold Coast

You will likely be arriving into Australia via Sydney or Brisbane Airport. If you are arriving via Sydney, you will then need to take a domestic flight to either Brisbane or Gold Coast airport. We recommend flying directly to the Gold Coast airport (OOL) in Coolangatta. From Coolangatta, you [can take a bus](#), taxi, or ride-sharing services to Broadbeach (about a 30 minutes drive).

If you are arriving via Brisbane Airport, taxi and ride-sharing services to Broadbeach are possible but will be quite expensive. Various car rental options are also available as you exit the terminal. We would recommend the AirTrain which connects Brisbane Airport to Gold Coast train stations. Exiting the AirTrain at Helensvale station will connect you with the Gold Coast tram services (called the [G:Link](#)). Traveling southbound will take you to Broadbeach stations, which are directly in front of the conference venues and accommodation. The journey from Brisbane airport to Broadbeach on the AirTrain and G:Link services is about two hours and thirty minutes in total.

If you are considering public transport, please consult the [tickets and fares options listed here](#) or visit an AirTrain ticket office in the Brisbane domestic or international terminals upon your arrival.

Getting to The Star or the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre

The Star and the Gold Coast Convention Centre are situated right next to each other in the heart of Broadbeach and are connected via a footbridge. The southernmost end of the tram line on the Gold Coast is the Broadbeach South Station, which is five minutes' walk from The Star. The Broadbeach North Station is directly in front of the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre. This tram line connects to suburbs such as Surfers Paradise and Southport.

If you're arriving by bus from outside of Broadbeach, we recommend exiting at the Broadbeach South Station and either walking to The Star or catching the tram to Broadbeach North Station, if you are going to the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre.

We recommend checking the latest schedules, the tram and bus network map, and routes on the official public transportation website Translink for the most up-to-date information:

- [Translink website](#)
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Leading up to ICA24

Over the next few months, we'll be bringing you local insights, recommendations and advice for what to do, see, eat and explore around the Gold Coast. Stay tuned to hear more, and feel free to contact any of us as we lead up to the conference.

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to introduce and help students create professional relationships with other academics. I'm going to lean on our editorial team from the encyclopedia too. All of them are amazing, inspirational, hard-working, caring women who not only make a difference in each of their corners of the world but also do so without ego and without concern for the limelight. Carma, Julia, Iccha, Nadine, and Marleah you are so smart and so dependable and exemplars of ICA.

Q. Is there an article or publication you would like to highlight?

A. [The International Encyclopedia of Health Communication! It's out now!](#)

Getting to know Evelyn on a more personal level:

Q. When you have 30 minutes of free time, how do you pass the time?

A. Duolingo French - because of an amazing connection from the ICA in San Diego in 2017 with a delegation from the French Society of Information & Communication Sciences (SFSIC).

Q. What could you teach a whole class on that has nothing to do with your actual field of expertise?

A. Amigurumi crochet! So the funny thing is, I actually have taught crochet at USF!

Q. What is one talent or skill that you wish you had?

A. I wish I learned languages more quickly. Despite my years of Duolingo, désolé, I'm still a terrible French speaker! Mais, j'essaye.

Q. What's one thing people are generally surprised to learn about you?

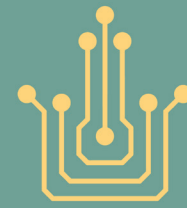
A. I know nothing about music and can never understand song lyrics.

Q. Are you team #dogsofica (or) #catsofica?

A. #dogsofica all the way! Anyone for #shibasofica? Although during Covid we did get #chickensofica but sadly they are no longer. I will share one pic of 'Henrietta' who was immortalized by artist Ian Mackay through the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art!



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