

Jessica Elton

Since joining EMU's faculty in 2009, I have served the faculty union in a variety of capacities. In 2012 and 2015 I was a member of Bargaining Council and served as Chair of Bargaining Council's Workload Committee. I was also a member of the EMU-AAUP Contract Negotiation Team in 2015 and worked hard with my team members to refine EMU's policy on addressing student conduct issues and to increase faculty research opportunities. Currently I am a Member-at-Large on the EMU-AAUP Executive Committee, and I hope to continue to serve you in this role. I am committed to shared governance and working to represent the interests of all members of the bargaining unit, regardless of college, department/school, or rank.

In addition to my service to the faculty union, I engage in a variety of college-, department-, and national-level service (see below). I am also dedicated to my students and their academic success. I teach both undergraduate and graduate courses in communication, particularly health communication, and I have served on MA thesis committees and mentored undergraduate student research. I am also actively involved in research and have published my research, which examines social constructions of health, in scholarly journals and regularly present at academic conferences.

My experience working with the union has been instrumental in helping me find my academic home and voice at EMU. My service to the EMU-AAUP has been rewarding, and I would be honored to continue serving all of you as a Member-at-Large on the Executing Committee.

Selected Service:

Member – EMU-AAUP Contract Negotiating Team (2015)
Member-at-Large – Executive Committee, EMU-AAUP (2013-Present)
Chair – Workload Committee, EMU-AAUP Bargaining Council (2012, 2015)
Member – EMU-AAUP Bargaining Council (2012, 2015)
Union Steward – School of Communication, Media, & Theatre Arts (2014-Present)
Chair – CMTA Instruction Committee (2011-2012)
Member – Master's in Communication Assessment Committee (2013-Present)
Alternate – Faculty Senate (2012-2014)
Reviewer – College of Arts and Sciences Institutional Review Board (2010-Present)
Member – Educational Environment and Facilities Committee (2016-Present)
Member – LGBT Resource Center Advisory Board (2016-Present)
Editorial Board Member – *Women & Language* (2016-Present)
Reviewer – American Public Health Association (2007-Present)
Manuscript Reviewer – *Health Communication* (2014-Present)
Reviewer – Health Communication Interest Group, National Communication Association (2012-Present)
Reviewer – Master's Education Section, National Communication Association (2013-Present)
Reviewer – Family Communication Interest Group, National Communication Association (2013-2014)
Chair – Master's Education Section Nominations Committee, National Communication Association (2013-Present)