

# STEVEN LONIS-SHUMATE

WRITER & GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

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## EDUCATION

### MA ENGLISH / CREATIVE WRITING TRACK

Auburn University  
Completion – 2026

### MA CHRISTIAN PRACTICE

Duke Divinity School/  
Duke University  
2023

### PHD EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH & MEASUREMENT

University of South Carolina  
2002

### MHRTA OF HOSPITALITY

University of South Carolina  
1998

### BS OF HOSPITALITY MGMT

Georgia State University  
1994

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## PUBLICATIONS

“HE ONLY WANTED TO  
FEEL APPRECIATED”  
*oddball magazine*, 2025

“Passenger Side”  
*Bare Hill Review*, In Press

“the more things change, the  
more they stay the same”  
“*Eunoia Review*, 2024

“another haibun about  
laundry”  
*Eunoia Review*, 2024

“birds rest / they don’t care”  
*The Orchards Poetry Journal*,  
2024

“sleeveless”  
*Eunoia Review*, 2024

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT - ENGLISH

Auburn University | 2024 - Present

Assists instructor of record in the delivery of classwork materials, managing student records, and leading section/small group sessions for two different cohorts once a week with an average of 12 students per section. Teaching my own sections of Composition in the first year writing program to 22 students per class.

### INSTRUCTOR - MARKETING

Auburn University | 2019 – 2024

Developed and currently teach two Marketing Department electives and one required senior-level capstone course depending on semester (F2F, Hybrid, Online), for an average of 40 students in each course.

### ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR – HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Tuskegee University | 2008 – 2023

In addition to the duties typical of faculty positions (teaching, research, and service), also served in multiple administrative positions (programmatic and university level) which afforded the opportunity to collaborate with a diversity of students, faculty, administration, alumni, donors, and the community to broaden the impact of courses, programs, and the institutional mission.

- Served diverse student populations in the College of Business and the College of Agriculture, Environmental, and Nutritional Sciences
- Received funding from the Melon Foundation for and created **BA Programs in Music and the Visual Arts** that attracted artistically gifted high school students
- Awarded a grant to increase student retention through selection of diverse student populations and other institutional efforts
- Served on Accreditation Committees to oversee the creation of learning objectives/activities and evaluate learning outcomes
- Served on Honors Committees tasked with the creation and recruitment of students into honors, ambassadors, and presidential scholar’s programs

### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR – HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Auburn University | 2004 – 2008

As a faculty member, taught and developed courses for the Hospitality Management Program, served on recruitment and scholarship committees, and served on the diversity committee. While in the college, received the largest federal grant at the time in Hospitality that was awarded to develop a three-course interdisciplinary specialization in community activism and was a collaborative program with members from Food and Nutrition and Agriculture.