



## The 2017 President's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities – Christina Knopf

Dr. Christina Knopf has compiled an exemplary record of scholarly excellence during her tenure at SUNY Potsdam. The sheer volume of her scholarly output is impressive in its own right.

Christina uses her research to design and teach new courses, enabling her to share her professional expertise to her students. In addition to her courses in Contemporary Political Communication and Voices of American Women, Dr. Knopf has just developed a new course titled Comm-ics Research, which uses comics to teach theories and research methods in communication.

Christina has presented her work at five specialized conferences, three

international conferences, 25 national conferences, 19 regional conferences, and five local conferences. In addition to this impressive number, Christina continues to share her work with a wide variety of professional audiences as an invited or keynote speaker.

One of Christina's many impressive works is her book, *The Comic Art of War: A Critical Study of Military Cartoons, 1805-2014*, which was published by the independent scholarly press McFarland in 2015. In her book, she facilitates a dialogue between soldiers and civilians that has been intrinsic to life in the North Country since the establishment of Pine Camp in 1908 (renames Camp Drum in 1951 and in 1974, Fort Drum).

On campus Christina uses her research as a foundation for her role as an Oral Skills Coordinator, promoting and supporting the Freshman Speaking courses, while guiding the instructors through use of modern research and technological advancements.

In recognition of her creative commitment and collaborative work, SUNY Potsdam presents Dr. Christina Knopf the 2017 President's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities.