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## Education

MFA, Washington University, 1983.  
Area of Study: Creative Writing  
Dissertation/Thesis Title: Immigrants

BA, Colorado State University, 1980.  
Area of Study: English

## Professional Academic Experience

Associate Professor, University of Northern Colorado. (2014 - Present).

Assistant Professor of Poetry, University of Northern Colorado. (2009 - 2014).

Lecturer in English, University of Northern Colorado. (1999 - 2009).

## Administrative Roles

Director, (2011 - Present).

Faculty advisor for THE CRUCIBLE, the UNC literary magazine, (2005 - Present).

## RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP, AND CREATIVE WORKS

## Publications

### Juried

Journal Article

Zimmerman, L. (2016). Birthday; Perhaps the Truth Depends; Watching My Dog Turn Around... ; Early Morning Poem for My Husband; At the End of September. *The CEA Critic*.

Zimmerman, L. (2016). Perhaps the Truth Depends. *The Florida Review*.

Zimmerman, L. (2016). Four Mournings, Seasons Where I Live, Airline Security, and Everything is Okay in the End. *The Dandelion Review*.

Zimmerman, L. (2015). Driving to Denver in January. *Main Street Rag*.

Book

Zimmerman, L. (2016). In M. Scott Douglass (Ed.), *The Hours I Keep (Book)* (pp. 62). Charlotte, North Carolina: Main Street Rag. <https://mainstreetragbookstore.com/>

Online Journal

Zimmerman, L. (2016). *There is No Preparation for Sudden and Not About Birds*. Apple Valley Review.

Zimmerman, L. (2016). *Dreaming the Lost Ones*. Two Cities Review.

Zimmerman, L. (2016). *I Remember Saying*. Damsel fly.

Zimmerman, L. (2015). *Poet for Saint Blaise*. Gravel.

Zimmerman, L. (2015). *An Abbreviated Tour of Tantrums and A Beginning*. Hamilton Stone Review.

Zimmerman, L. (2015). *Whatever, flash fiction*. Gambling the Aisle.

Zimmerman, L. (2015). *When I Say... and Villanelle for Absence*. Cave Wall.

poem

Zimmerman, L. (2017). In Jen Karetnick and Catherine Esposito Prescott (Ed.), *Poem for Saint John of the Cross*. Miami, FL: SWWIMM.org. <https://www.swwim.org/single-post/2017/11/21/Poem-for-Saint-John-of-the-Cross>

Zimmerman, L. (2017). *Neighborhood Dogs*. Alluvia New Zealand. <http://alluvia.nz/read/2017/05/17/neighborhood-dogs/>

Zimmerman, L. (2017). *Matins*. Greeley:. <http://wildamorris.blogspot.com/search?updated-max>

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2016 - Present).

Zimmerman, L., "poetry reading," Karen Griffiths Memorial Poetry Gathering, Johnstown, CO. (April 23, 2016 - Present).

Zimmerman, L., "poetry reading," Artworks, Loveland, Colorado. (March 24, 2016 - Present).

Zimmerman, L., "Waves: A Feminist Retrospective," Wolverine Farm Publishing and Publick House, Fort Collins, Colorado. (January 16, 2016 - Present).

Zimmerman, L., "poetry workshop and reading," Private group, Loveland, Colorado. (June 20, 2015 - Present).

Zimmerman, L., "poetry," Karen Griffiths Memorial Poetry Gathering, Johnstown, CO. (April 18, 2015 - Present).

Zimmerman, L., "In Conversation: Visual Art and Poetry," Artworks, Loveland, Colorado. (April 17, 2015 - Present).

Zimmerman, L., "FOCO Book Fest," Fort Collins Library and City of Fort Collins, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 21, 2017).

Zimmerman, L., "Creative Cabaret," Two Year College Association SW Conference, Loveland, CO. (October 19, 2017).

Zimmerman, L., "Other Words Conference," Florida Literary Arts Coalition, Tampa, FL. (October 14, 2017).

Zimmerman, L., "Triple Muse Reading," Evergreen, CO. (September 17, 2017).

Zimmerman, L., ""How the Light Gets In" Exhibit and Reading," Artworks Loveland, Loveland, CO. (May 25, 2017).

Zimmerman, L., "First Saturday at Bookbar in Denver," Denver, CO. (February 4, 2017).

Zimmerman, L., "An Abbreviated Tour of Tantrums and A Beginning," Hamilton Stone Review. (2016).

Zimmerman, L., "Birthday; Perhaps the Truth Depends; Watching My Dog Turn Around...; Early Morning Poem for My Husband; At the End of September," The CEA Critic. (2016).

Zimmerman, L., "Four Mournings, Seasons Where I Live, Airline Security, and Everyr

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Zimmerman, L., "Rapunzel, After," Once Upon a Time (Anthology), Destiny to Write Publications. (2012).

Zimmerman, L., "Snack Size: Poems," Mello Press. (2012).

Zimmerman, L., "A Shift in Perspective," Natural Bridge. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Before the Elegy," Echoes. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Elegy for Phone Booths," 10 X 3 Plus Magazine. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Fourteen Lines, Resisting," 10 X 3 Plus Magazine. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "How it Adds Up," Tryst Poetry Journal. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "On the Kindness of Strangers," Very Short Poems. Accents Publishing. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Possible Sudden Shifts of," Cave Wall. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Simple Tasks," Adanna. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Sonnet for the Stolen Hour," Tryst Poetry Journal. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "The Essence of Flimsy," Tryst Poetry Journal. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "The Sound the Rain Makes Not Falling," 10 X 3 Plus Magazine. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Visiting Writer," Cave Wall. (2011).

Zimmerman, L., "Anything that Tears," Meadowland Review. (2010).

Zimmerman, L., "Hang Up and Drive," Main Street Rag. (2010).

Zimmerman, L., "Mid Life," Main Street Rag. (2010).

Zimmerman, L., "Page from My Small Journal," Di Mezzo Il Mare. (2010).

Zimmerman, L., "The Slow Courage that Carries Us," PoemADay. (2010).

Zimmerman, L., "Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall Again," Dark Sky Magazine. (2010).

Zimmerman, L., "Singing," Eating the Pure Light: Homage to Thomas McGrath. (2009).

Zimmerman, L., "After I Buried My Father," 10 X 13 Plus. (2008).

Zimmerman, L., "Air, Earth, Fire, Water," 10 X 13 Plus. (2008).

Zimmerman, L., "Checking on the Pregnant Mare," Worcester Review. (2008).

Zimmerman, L., "Dog From the Original Fire," Blue Unicorn. (2008).

Zimmerman, L., "Duets," 10 X 3 Plus. (2008).

Zimmerman, L., "FICTION: Jem," Front Range Review. (2008).

Zimmerman, L., "First Holy Communion," 10 X 13 Plus. (2008).



- Zimmerman, L., "The Wind, The Lake, The Deer," Caddis Case Press. (2002).
- Zimmerman, L., "Traveling Among The Animals," Pudding House Publications. (2002).
- Zimmerman, L., "Matins," Salt Hill Journal. (1996).
- Zimmerman, L., "Rendering The Lake," California Quarterly. (1996).
- Zimmerman, L., "Photo of The Fireman and The Child," California Quarterly. (1993).
- Zimmerman, L., "In Places Without Time Nothing Hurries," Leaping Mountain Press. (1987).

## Professional Presentations

### Invited

#### Juried

- Zimmerman, L., Fort Collins Book Fest, "Poetry Reading," Fort Collins Library and City of Fort Collins, Fort Collins, CO. (October 21, 2017).
- Zimmerman, L., Two Year College Association SW Conference, "Persona Poems Workshop," Aims Community College, Loveland, CO. (October 21, 2017).
- Zimmerman, L., Florida Literary Arts Coalition Other Words Conference, "Apples and Stars: A Geography of Fruit," Florida Literary Arts Coalition, Tampa, FL. (October 14, 2017).
- Zimmerman, L., Florida Literary Arts Coalition Other Words Conference, "Poetry Reading," Florida Literary Arts Coalition, Tampa, FL. (October 14, 2017).
- Zimmerman, L., Florida Literary Arts Coalition Other Words Conference, "Humor at a Slant," Florida Literary Arts Coalition, St. Augustine, Florida. (November 5, 2016).
- Zimmerman, L., Florida Literary Arts Coalition Other Words Conference, "Cadence: The Music Inside the Poetic Line," Florida Literary Arts Coalition, St. Augustine, Florida. (November 7, 2015).

#### Non-juried

- Zimmerman, L., Poetry Out Loud, Eaton High School, "Poetry Out Loud competition," Poetry Out Loud, National Endowment for the Arts, Eaton High School. (February 2016).

### Not Invited

#### Juried

- Zimmerman, L., Florida Literary Arts Coalition Other Words Conference, St. Augustine, Florida. (November 10, 2012).
- Zimmerman, L., Women in the Arts Conference, St. Louis, Missouri. (November 10, 2011).
- Zimmerman, L., Northern Colorado Writers Conference, Workshop faculty, Fort Collins, Colorado. (March 11, 2011).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Artist Roster Selection Panel, Wyoming Arts Council, Cheyenne, Wyoming. (January 21, 2011).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Florida Literary Arts Coalition Other Words Conference, St. Augustine, Florida. (November 5, 2010).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Northern Colorado Writers Panel, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 19, 2010).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Literature and the Arts Conference, "2010 War," Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado. (September 16, 2010).

Zimmerman, L., 2010 AWP (Associated Writing Programs) Conference, Denver, Colorado. (April 9, 2010).

Zimmerman, L., Peace River Center for Writers, Edison State College, Punta Gorda, Florida. (April 4, 2009).

Zimmerman, L., Associated Writing Program 2009 (AWP) Conference, Chicago, Illinois. (February 12, 2009).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Florida Literary Arts Coalition Conference, "The Poetry of Trauma: Transforming Deeply Disturbing Experience into Art," St. Augustine, Florida. (November 7, 2008).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Artist Roster Selection Panel, Wyoming Arts Council, Laramie, Wyoming. (May 13, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Snake Nation Press Conference on Literature and Literacy, Valdosta, Georgia. (April 29, 2005).

#### Non-juried

Zimmerman, L., Poetry Jam, "Karen Griffiths Memorial Reading," The Lunchbox, Johnstown, Colorado. (April 19, 2014).

Zimmerman, L., Anhinga Press 40th Anniversary Celebration, Associated Writing Program (AWP) Conference, Seattle, Washington. (February 28, 2014).

Zimmerman, L., Literary Connections Conference, Cheyenne, Wyoming. (October 5, 2013).

Zimmerman, L., Loveland Loves Literature, Backdoor Stage, Loveland Feed & Grain, Loveland, Colorado. (September 21, 2013).

Zimmerman, L., 3 Coffees Poetry Jam. (April 27, 2013).

Zimmerman, L., Poetic Inventory of Rocky Mountain National Park (fundraiser for the anthology), Odell's, Fort Collins, Colorado. (February 27, 2013).

Zimmerman, L., Book release poetry reading, Loveland Museum and Gallery, Loveland, Colorado. (November 1, 2012).

Zimmerman, L., "Public Celebration of Poetry" Reading, Harmony Library. (April 25, 2012).



Zimmerman, L., Voices of Poetry guest poet, Johnstown, Colorado. (April 13, 2012).

Zimmerman, L., Love and Loss A Benefit for Pathways Hospice of Larimer County. (March 29, 2012).

Zimmerman, L., Unicorn Palace poetry reading, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (March 11, 2012).

Zimmerman, L., Poetry Reading, Gardens on Spring Creek, Fort Collins, Colorado. (August 6, 2011).

Zimmerman, L., Four Poets: A Reading with the New Colorado Poet Laureate, David Mason, Kress Theater, Greeley, Colorado. (January 13, 2011).

Zimmerman, L., 8th and Dickenson Poetry Reading, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (December 16, 2010).

Zimmerman, L., Florida Literary Arts Coalition Other Words Conference, St. Augustine, Florida. (November 6, 2010).

Zimmerman, L., Northern Colorado Writers, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 19, 2010).

Zimmerman, L., Dead Poets Society reading, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 6, 2010).

Zimmerman, L., University of Denver. (June 15, 2010).

Zimmerman, L., Poetry Den, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (October 23, 2009).

Zimmerman, L., Cannon Mine Reading Series, Lafayette, Colorado. (June 11, 2009).

Zimmerman, L., Associated Writing Program (AWP) Conference, Chicago, Illinois. (February 12, 2009).

Zimmerman, L., Schwartz, S., Bas Bleu Theatre reading, Fort Collins, Colorado. (February 3, 2009).

Zimmerman, L., York, J. A., Franklin, J., Three Colorado Poets reading, Everyday Joe's, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 24, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Museum of Contemporary Art, Reading and book signing, Fort Collins, Colorado. (September 20, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Governor's Poetry Reading, "Many Voices, a Celebration of Poetry and Music," Rialto Theater, Loveland, Colorado. (September 18, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Remembering Our Mothers: A Benefit for Hospice of Larimer County. (May 3, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Patterson, V., Crow, L. M., Three Divas Reading, Everyday Joe's, Fort Collins, Colorado. (April 18, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Avogadro's Number: TVS and Two Fingers National Poetry Month reading. (April 12, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Featured Poet at the 2008 Rosenberry Writers' Conference, University

of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado. (March 6, 2008).

Zimmerman, L., Colorado Language Arts Society Fall Conference, Golden, Colorado. (October 14, 2007).

Zimmerman, L., Arts for the Ascent, Benefit Reading for Hospice of Larimer County. (July 14, 2007).

Zimmerman, L., Visiting Writer: The Visiting Writers Series, Department of English and Linguistics at Indiana University-Purdue, Fort Wayne, Indiana. (April 5, 2007).

Zimmerman, L., Windsor Severance Library Centennial Celebration of the Arts. (October 28, 2006).

Zimmerman, L., Patterson, V., Oakley, E., Martin, J., Aldrich, L., Loveland Museum and Gallery. (October 5, 2006).

Zimmerman, L., Wiregrass Literacy and Literature Festival, Valdosta, Georgia. (September 14, 2006).

Zimmerman, L., Tallahassee Literacy Volunteers Benefit, Leroy Collins Library, Tallahassee, Florida. (September 13, 2006).

Zimmerman, L., Women's Community Correction Center, Worcester Sheriff's Office, Worcester, Massachusetts. (August 6, 2006).

Zimmerman, L., Pangaea, A Celebration of Literature & Art. (April 29, 2006).

Zimmerman, L., Loveland Museum and Gallery. (April 6, 2006).

Zimmerman, L., The Poetry Show, Interview and Reading, 88.9 KRFC Radio, Fort Collins, Colorado. (August 21, 2005).

Zimmerman, L., DU reading/performance with AEIC artists, Summit High School, Frisco, Colorado. (August 1, 2005).

Zimmerman, L., Young People's Writing Project, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado. (June 22, 2005).

Zimmerman, L., Loveland Museum and Gallery. (May 18, 2005).

Zimmerman, L., Snake Nation Press Writer's Conference, Valdosta, Georgia. (April 29, 2005).

Zimmerman, L., The Portfolio Center, Atlanta, Georgia. (April 28, 2005).

Zimmerman, L., Book Buffs Bookstore, Denver, Colorado. (March 26, 2005).

Zimmerman, L., Centennial Pens and Publishers. (November 9, 2004).

Zimmerman, L., Rhyme for Change/Rhythm for Reason, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 27, 2004).

Zimmerman, L., Bas Bleu Theatre Poetry & Prose Series. (December 10, 2003).

Zimmerman, L., Hospice of Larimer County Reading, Loveland Museum and Gallery.

(October 23, 2003).

Zimmerman, L., DU reading/performance with AEIC artists, Denver, Colorado. (June 23, 2003).

Zimmerman, L., TVS and Two Fingers Performance Poetry Event, Fort Collins, Colorado. (March 14, 2003).

Zimmerman, L., The Art of Living Peace, Lincoln Center, Fort Collins, Colorado. (December 8, 2002).

Zimmerman, L., My Word! Reading Series, Harmony Library, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 2, 2002).

Zimmerman, L., Live Word Fest 2002, Avogadro's Number, Fort Collins, Colorado. (June 21, 2002).

Zimmerman, L., Book Buffs Bookstore, Denver, Colorado. (January 30, 2002).

Zimmerman, L., Bas Bleu Theatre Poetry & Prose Series. (December 11, 2001).

Zimmerman, L., Auraria Poetry Festival, CU Denver. (September 14, 2001).

Zimmerman, L., Poets in the Park, Loveland, Colorado. (July 14, 2001).

Zimmerman, L., Cannon Mine Reading Series, Lafayette, Colorado. (May 24, 2001).

Zimmerman, L. (Presenter), Young Audiences (now Think 360 Arts): New Artist Orientation. (February 24, 2001).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Young Audiences: Artist Selection Panel. (February 25, 2000).

Zimmerman, L., Café Veronica, Loveland Museum and Gallery. (February 21, 2000).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Young Audiences: Creative Writing Panel. (February 11, 2000).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Young Audiences: Aesthetic Education Institute selection panel. (January 21, 2000).

Zimmerman, L., AAUW Benefit, Loveland Museum and Gallery. (1999).

Zimmerman, L., S.O.S. Writers Harvest: The National Reading, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 29, 1998).

Zimmerman, L., Bas Bleu Theatre Poetry & Prose Series. (October 27, 1997).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Windsor High School: Professional Writers' Panel. (1996).

Zimmerman, L., Sigma Tau Delta Poetry Symposium, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado. (November 23, 1996).

Zimmerman, L., S.O.S. Writers Harvest: The National Reading, Fort Collins, Colorado. (October 18, 1996).

Zimmerman, L., Stone Lion Bookstore. (August 18, 1995).

Zimmerman, L., Larimer County Suicide Resource Center Benefit, Fort Collins, Colorado. (May 1995).

Zimmerman, L., Poeisis Poetry Contest winners' reading, Tattered Cover Bookstore. (October 10, 1994).

Zimmerman, L. (Panelist), Windsor High School: Professional Writers' Panel. (1993).

Zimmerman, L., Leaping Mountain Press Poetry reading, Tattered Cover Bookstore. (April 1987).

Zimmerman, L., Power Plant Reading Series, Fort Collins, Colorado. (1986).

Zimmerman, L., Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri. (April 1983).

## **GRANTS**

### **Funded**

Zimmerman, L., "Poet-in-Residence Idalia Elementary School," Sponsored by Think 360 Arts and Idalia Elementary School, State. (January 5, 2016 - January 8, 2016).

Zimmerman, L., "Poet-in-Residence Flagstaff Academy Charter School (K-8), Longmont, Colorado," Sponsored by Think 360 Arts and corporate donation. (April 2009 - May 2009).

1998).

## TEACHING

### Teaching Experience

#### University of Northern Colorado

##### Courses Taught:

ENG 122, College Composition, 10 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 123, College Research Paper, 4 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 131, Introduction to Literature, 3 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 195, Introduction to the Discipline of English, 3 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 200, Introduction to Creative Writing, 8 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 225, Communications on a Theme, 3 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 239, Topics in Women's Literature, 1 course. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 240, Introduction to Creative Writing, 13 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 244, Creative Writing - Poetry, 5 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 340, Creative Writing - Advanced, 5 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 344, Intermediate Creative Writing - Poetry, 5 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 375, Literature and the Environment, 5 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 420, Special Topics in Creative and Professional Writing, 5 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 639, Colloquium in Literature, 2 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

ENG 697, MA or Creative Project, 1 course. 3.00 credit hours.

ENST 375, Literature and the Environment, 5 courses. 3.00 credit hours.

HON 200, Honors Connections Seminar II, 1 course. 3.00 credit hours.

New Programs Developed/Major Program Revision: 1 course.

Institute for Creative Teaching, Denver, CO in collaboration with the University of Denver's  
Morgridge School of Education

### Directed Student Learning

Master's Thesis Committee Member. (November 8, 2017 - Present).  
Advised: Rachel Padro

Master's Thesis Committee Member. (2016 - Present).  
Advised: Valerie Gwynn

Master's Thesis Committee Chair. (2014 - 2015).  
Advised: Cameron Markway

Master's Thesis Committee Member. (2009 - 2010).  
Advised: Marie Kaufman

Master's Thesis Committee Member. (2009 - 2010).  
Advised: Ryan Hay

### **Non-Credit Instruction**

Guest Lecture, Department of Art, 14 participants. (September 20, 2016).

Poet-in-residence, Idalia Elementary School and Think 360 Arts, 125 participants. (January 5,

Committee Member, Advisory Committee. (2013 - 2014).

Committee Member, Neal Cross Committee. (1999 - 2007).

Faculty Advisor, The Crucible, UNC's student literary magazine. (1999 - 2002).

## **Public/Community Service**

Guest Speaker, Poetry Out Loud, Eaton, Colorado. (2011 - Present).

Featured Poet, Louisville Center for the Arts Fundraiser. (August 16, 2014).

National Judge, University of Missouri, St. Louis Graduate Prize in Poetry. (2013).

Featured Poet, Laramie County Community College 2013 Literary Connection Conference.  
(October 4, 2013 - October 5, 2013).

Resident Poetry Faculty, Jackson Hole Writers' Conference. (June 2013).

Poetry Reader, Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra "Music & Poetry" Concert #4. (February 16, 2013).

Love and Loss: A Benefit for Pathways Hospice of Larimer County. (March 29, 2012).

Judge, Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest. (March 10, 2009).

**Service**

Nominated for: Fort Collins Poet Laureate nomination, Wolverine Farm Publishing, Fort Collins.  
(April 2017).

Nominated for: Colorado Poet Laureate Nomination, Colorado Council on the Humanities. (2008).

**Teaching**

Mortar Board Professor, Mortar Board. (April 2015).

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Association of Writers and Writing Programs. (January 1, 2004 - Present).

Academy of American Poets. (January 1, 2000 - Present).

Think 360 Arts. (January 1998 - Present).

Phi Bet Kappa. (May 1981 - Present).