

Jeffrey Bennett

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Medical humanities expert who specializes in health, citizenship, LGBT/queer studies, cultural studies and rhetorical theory and criticism.

Biography

Jeff Bennett is an expert in medical humanities. His research is focused on health, citizenship, LGBT/queer studies, cultural studies and rhetorical theory and criticism. He is the author of "Managing Diabetes: The Cultural Politics of Disease" (forthcoming, New York: NYU Press, 2019); and "Banning Queer Blood: Rhetorics of Citizenship, Contagion, and Resistance," which scrutinizes the federal donor deferral policy limiting queer men's ability to donate blood.

Areas of Expertise

Queer Healthcare, Queer vernacular, LGBTQ Health, HIV Prevention, HIV & AIDS, PrEP, Diabetes, Rhetoric and HIV, Rhetoric and Disease, Rhetoric of Diabetes Management, Rhetoric, Medical Humanities

Affiliations

National Communication Association, Rhetoric Society of America

Education

Indiana University

Ph.D. Communication and Culture

Northern Illinois University

M.A. Communication Studies

Wayne State University

B.A. Speech Communication

Accomplishments

Fall 2019 Chancellor's Public Voices Fellow

A semester-long program designed to expand Vanderbilt University's global reach by amplifying the impact of faculty academic research.

2017 Randy Majors Award, Caucus on LGBTQ Concerns, National Communication Association
Recognizes an individual who has made outstanding contributions to LGBT scholarship in communication studies.

2010 New Investigator Award, Rhetorical and Communication Theory Division
National Communication Association

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