

# Kristin Grady Gilger

## Professional Experience

**Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication  
Arizona State University**

<b>Senior Associate Dean</b>	<b>2017-present</b>
<b>Associate Dean</b>	<b>2009-2017</b>
<b>Assistant Dean</b>	<b>2007-2009</b>

Member of the leadership team at this leading journalism school with 1,400 students, and more than 100 full-time faculty and staff

- Oversee the school's professional programs and professional partnerships with news
- Administer the Carnegie-Knight national News21 program, a \$7.5 million project of the Carnegie Corporation and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, headquartered at the Cronkite School. Served as executive editor in 2010 and 2011.
- Administer U.S. State Department grants to train and assist journalists working in countries such as Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka
- Assist with fund-raising efforts and administering major grants and gifts to the school
- Oversee communications efforts for school, including web content, marketing materials and the annual Cronkite Journal school magazine
- Recruit, train and supervise up to 80 adjunct faculty members each semester
- Teach Principles and History of Journalism, a required freshman values class
- Develop curriculum, assure continuity in multiple section of classes, provide faculty training and support

**Director, Donald W. Reynolds National Center for Business Journalism 2015-present**

Direct and manage daily operations of this premier training center for business journalists and educators, which is part of the Cronkite School. The center provides in-person and online training for thousands of business journalists annually and administers \ the national Barlett & Steele Awards for Investigative Business Journalism.

**Director, National Center on Disability and Journalism 2009-present**

Direct and manage a national organization that provides support and guidance for journalists as they cover people with disabilities. The center, guided by a national advisory board of journalists and disability experts, publishes a style guide on disability language as well as numerous online resources for journalists covering disability. The center also sponsors an international contest that recognizes the best in disability reporting each year.

**Arizona State University**  
**Director of Student Media** **2002-2007**  
Responsible for business operations of The State Press daily student newspaper, ASU Web Devil student website and SDTV, student closed-circuit cable television station. Oversight of 12 full-time employees as well as a student staff of about 100 per semester.

**The Arizona Republic**  
**Deputy Managing Editor for News** **2000-2002**  
**Metro Editor** **1999-2000**  
Responsible for all news-gathering operations for this major metropolitan newspaper with a circulation of about 500,000. Supervised more than 100 reporters and editors based in Phoenix and surrounding communities as well as the statehouse and bureaus in Flagstaff, Ariz., Mexico City and Washington, D.C.

**The Statesman Journal, Salem, Ore.**  
**Managing Editor** **1993-1999**  
Oversight of all editorial operations for Oregon's capital city newspaper. Supervised 70 employees; responsible for newsroom budgeting and community outreach; served on the newspaper's editorial board.

**The Times-Picayune, New Orleans, La.**  
**Suburban Editor, Administrative Editor and Bureau Chief** **1983-1993**  
Served as bureau chief in two different suburban news bureaus before being named administrative editor in charge of hiring, budgeting, recruiting and special projects. Also served as suburban editor, responsible for the newspaper's bureau operations in six suburbs, with a staff of more than 100.

**Charleston News & Courier, Charleston, S.C.** **1982-1983**  
**Page designer**  
Designed and edited feature section pages for this 100,000 circulation paper.

**St. Cloud Daily Times, St. Cloud, Minn.**  
**Regional editor and reporter** **1980-1982**  
Started out as the newspaper's farm reporter then moved to regional editor, responsible for coverage in outlying communities.

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln**  
**Assistant Instructor, Agricultural Communications** **1977-1980**  
Provided communications training and materials for Cooperative Extension Service agents around the state.

**University of Nebraska-Omaha** **1975-1977**  
Director of Communications, UNO Alumni Association

Responsible for writing and producing annual alumni magazine and other print content for alumni of the university.

## Education

- Master's degree, Mass Communications, University of Nebraska, 1982; summa cum laude
- Bachelor's degree, Journalism, University of Nebraska, 1975; magna cum laude

## Fellowships

- Graduate Student Fellowship in newspaper management, the Poynter Institute for Media Studies, St. Petersburg, Fla., 1980
- Leadership Development for News Executives, Poynter Institute, St. Petersburg, Fla., 2000 and 2001

## Teaching

- Principles and History of Journalism, 2008-present
- Depth Reporting, 2002-2008
- Beginning News Writing and Reporting, 2002-2006
- Photojournalism (co-taught a class for students doing photo documentaries in Mexico) 2006

## Publications

America Magazine, "What can Catholic moms do if they want their children to remain Catholic? Let go," 5/5/2018:

<https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2018/05/04/what-can-catholic-moms-do-if-they-want-their-children-remain-catholic-let-go>

Podcast interview on above article:

<https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2018/05/23/how-can-parents-keep-their-children-faith>

Zocalo Public Square, review: "The movie the mother of a journalist and a priest can't bear watching," 12/10/15: <http://www.zocalopublicsquare.org/2015/12/10/the-movie-the-mother-of-a-journalist-and-a-priest-cant-bear-to-watch/ideas/nexus/>

America Magazine, "A mother comes to terms with her son's priesthood," 5/11/2015: <http://americamagazine.org/issue/vocation-crisis>

The Arizona Republic, "A journey of faith, motherhood and priesthood," 5/8/2015, <http://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/phoenix/2015/05/08/journey-faith-motherhood-priesthood-kristin-gilger-mothers-day/26991949/>

Thinking Faith, United Kingdom, "She was must perplexed by his words," 3/24/15,  
<https://www.thinkingfaith.org/articles/%E2%80%98she-was-much-perplexed-his-words%E2%80%99>

"Diversity in the Washington Newspaper Press Corps," 2008, a study of the racial makeup of journalists covering Washington for UNITY: Journalists of Color, Inc. and the McCormick Foundation of Chicago. <http://cronkite.asu.edu/news/diversity-072408.php>

"Cross Campus Partners: Students from 11 Colleges Investigate Transportation in Groundbreaking Project," IRE Journal, Spring 2011

The Diversity Style Guide, a project of the Center for Integration and Improvement of Journalism, based at San Francisco State University, under contract with Wiley Publishing. Contributed chapter on disability language.

## **Awards**

Order of the Silver Key for outstanding service to journalism, Society of Profession Journalists, Valley of the Sun chapter, 2018

Westside High School Alumni Hall of Fame, 2012

Gannett Foundation Award for Innovative Investigative Journalism, finalist, small site, for News21 transportation safety project, 2011

Investigative Reporters and Editors, Student National CAR Contest, team reporting, for News21 transportation safety project, 2011

International Robert F. Kennedy Journalism Award for "Divided Families," produced by my Depth Reporting class, 2009

AEJMC Professor Newspaper Publishing Award, 2006

National Payne Award for Ethics in Journalism, awarded to The State Press student newspaper and its adviser for their handling of a conflict with university administrators over the publication of controversial content, 2005

Gannett Co. "Best of Gannett Awards" for investigative and public service projects at newspapers in Oregon and Arizona, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2000

Most Distinguished Alumnae Award from the Journalism faculty of the University of Nebraska-Omaha, 1998

Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association Presidential Citation for Outstanding Public Service Campaign, 1995

National Headliner Award for Public Service in Journalism for a year-long project on race relations in New Orleans, 1993

Best of the West, Associated Press and Society of Professional Journalism awards for projects edited in Oregon and Arizona, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2001

New Orleans Press Club Outstanding News Reporting, 1989

### **Memberships**

Current professional journalism organization memberships include Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Investigative Reporters and Editors, Society of Professional Journalists, and National Press Photographers Association

Member, Western Association of University Publication Managers, 2002-2007

Member, College Media Advisers, 2002-2007