



## Dr. Jennifer Fairchild

Dr. Jennifer Fairchild is a Professor of Communication at Eastern Kentucky University. Having earned her Ph.D. in Communication from the University of Kentucky in December 2009, Dr. Fairchild continues to extend her dissertation research involving women's narrative reconstruction post-miscarriage and the social support offered to women post-miscarriage. Dr. Fairchild teaches a wide variety of courses, including interpersonal communication, health communication, communication, leadership and change, intercultural communication, and gender and communication. Her dissertation work has been presented at meetings of the National Communication Association and the Southern States Communication Association. Her research also has been featured in such journals as *PRISM: A Journal of Regional Engagement, Illness, Crisis, and Loss*, *Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning*, *Journal of Effective Teaching*, and *Communication Center Journal*. Dr. Fairchild is the 2017 recipient of the Excellence in Online Teaching Award, presented by the Office of e-Campus Learning at Eastern Kentucky University. She is also the recipient of the ECU Student Government Association's "Most Outstanding Distinguished Educational Leader Award" which was presented to her in May 2018. Most recently, Dr. Fairchild received the Excellence in the Art of Teaching Award and the Undergraduate Mentor Award. Both awards were presented to her at the 2021 Kentucky Communication Association's Annual Conference.