

My short bio:

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Chris has taught creative and technical writing as a professor at the University of Florida, UNC Charlotte, and the University of Tennessee, and has led writing workshops internationally, including at Xi'an Jiaotong University in China and for the National Science Foundation. She has worked as a science writer, technical editor, and communications director across academic and corporate settings for more than two decades.

A full-time resident of Ocean City, New Jersey, Chris is a member of the OCAC community as a participant in Gail Beckley's drawing class. She is eager to bring the same creative energy that fills those sessions into a literary workshop setting. <https://www.linkedin.com/in/christine-gallagher-schmitz/>