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**Bio**

**Stacey L. Connaughton** (Ph.D. The University of Texas at Austin, 2002) is an Associate Professor and the former Associate Head of School and former Director of Graduate Studies in the Brian Lamb School of Communication at Purdue University, USA. Her research examines leadership and identification in geographically distributed contexts, particularly as these issues relate to virtual teams/organizations, political parties, and peacebuilding. Her research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the Carnegie Foundation, and the Russell Sage Foundation. Her published academic work has appeared in journals such as *Small Group Research, Journal of Communication*, *Journal of Applied Communication Research, Management Communication Quarterly* among others. Dr. Connaughton currently serves as the Principal Investigator and Director of the Purdue Peace Project, an externally funded engaged research initiative with projects in Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria, El Salvador, and the United States. Dr. Connaughton was a research fellow with the Leadership Development Research Unit of the U.S. Army Research Institute, serving as a thought leader on distributed leadership. She has been invited to present her research to industry, military, and higher educational audiences across the United States, and worldwide including in Canada, China, Denmark, Malaysia, and Saudi Arabia, and she has facilitated workshops and written professional reports in the areas of peacebuilding, virtual teams, leadership, team-building, and strategic planning. Dr. Connaughton is the recipient of several teaching awards, the 2017 Faculty Engaged Scholar Award, and the Trailblazer Award at Purdue University.