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EDUCATION

M.A. English in Linguistics, North Carolina State University, 1999

B.A. American Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1993

ACADEMIC TEACHING POSITIONS

North Carolina State University, Raleigh NC

Lecturer, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures (2017-present)

- Linguistics for ESL Professionals (FL 424 and FL 524) graduate and undergraduate levels. online
- Academic Writing and Research for International Students (FLE 101) online and in-person. Lead Teacher (2020)
- Advanced American English Pronunciation for International Students (FLE 400) online and in-person
- Advanced Oral Communication in English (FLE 401) online and in-person

Lecturer, College of Education (2021-present)

- Linguistics for ESL Professionals (ECI 506) graduate level. online

Instructor, Linguistics, TESOL Certificate Program (2017-present)

- Linguistics Instructor in TESOL instructor training program

Instructor, Summer Institute in English (1999 and 2017)

- Business English, Pronunciation, Reading and Vocabulary, Grammar and Writing

Instructor, McKimmon Center for Continuing Education (1999)

- Advanced Writing and Grammar to professionals and academics

Wake Technical Community College, Raleigh NC

Adjunct ESL Instructor (2016-2017)

- *Courses:* Extended Reading and Vocabulary, Advanced Pronunciation
- Taught adult ESL learners using communicative, interactive approach
- Conducted assessments using Best Plus computerized assessment tool

ESL Workplace and Basic Skills Instructor (1997-2000)

- Designed targeted curriculum for on-site workplace instruction
- Conducted placement testing
- Provided instruction in Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced level ESL courses

ADDITIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

EFL Teacher Trainer

Jiangsu Provincial Department of Education Teacher Training Project

Nanjing and Xuzhou, China (Summer 2019)

- Selected to participate in teacher training project for Chinese K-12 educators
- Created curriculum and workshop program materials

Instructor/Trainer

Estrada Language Training, Raleigh, NC (1997-2016)

- Provided English as a Second Language and Spanish language training to professionals and private clients in the Triangle
- Clients included UNC-TV, Quintiles Transnational, and Spanish For Fun Spanish Immersion Childcare Centers

ESL Instructor

Oxford University Press (1999)

- Improved credibility, competency and confidence of clients with targeted instruction in oral and written communication including pronunciation, presentation preparation, grammar, editing of professional correspondence
- Collaborated with management and learners to assess and measure targeted goals

English as a Foreign Language Instructor, Escuela Sarchí Norte

Harvard Institute for International Development, World Teach, Sarchí Norte, Costa Rica (1995-1996)

- Provided English instruction to elementary school students
- Selected to provide English for Specific Purpose (ESP) instruction to Costa Rican Environmental Education tour guides

ESL Instructor

Colorado Springs Public School System, Colorado Springs, CO (1995)

Substitute ESL Instructor at Buena Vista Elementary School

AWARDS

“College of Humanities and Social Sciences Outstanding Lecturer,” North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, 2020-2021.

“Accessibility Champion Award,” North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 2021.

DELTA Rapid Design Faculty Award 2020. “Bite-Sized Linguistics.”

“Thank a Teacher” Award, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC. 2019, 2020.

“Best Poster” Faculty Teaching and Learning Symposium, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC. February 2020.

“Best of Carolina TESOL: Honorable Mention” Carolina TESOL for “Beyond Rake and Lake: Practical Pronunciation Activities for Everyday Teaching,” Carolina TESOL Workshop, Myrtle Beach, SC. November 2019.

GRANTS

DELTA Online Course Improvement Program (OCIP). 2021.

Captioning Grant. NCSU State University Office of Information Technology, Outreach, Communications and Consulting. 2020.

“Blue Canoe.” \$200/student/year. Blue Canoe Learning. Access to language learning software for students. 2019-2020.

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

“Humanizing Your Course: Spill the Coffee,” DELTA Summer Shorts, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, August 2021.

“Navigating Around Communication Breakdowns: Teaching Strategies for the ESL Classroom,” TESOL International Convention, Virtual, March 2021.

“Soft Landings: Creating a Willingness to Communicate (WTC) in the EFL Classroom,” Global Training Initiative, English Language Teaching (ELT) Certificate Program in Azerbaijan, Virtual, March 2021.

“Practical Pronunciation: Activities for Everyday Teaching,” Global Training Initiative, English Language Teaching (ELT) Certificate Program in Azerbaijan, Virtual, February 2021.

“Let’s Talk About Language,” AV Geeks at the Hunt Library, presenter. North Carolina State University Libraries. January 2021.

“Office of International Studies Faculty Panel,” panelist. North Carolina State University International Student Orientation, January 2021.

“Won’t You Be My Neighbor? A Case Study of Social and Emotional Learning in Freshman Composition for International Students,” Faculty Teaching and Learning Symposium, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, February 2020.

“Teaching the ‘Skill of Well-Being’ in Freshman Composition for Internationals.” Faculty Teaching and Learning Symposium, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, February 2020.

“Beyond Rake and Lake: Practical Pronunciation Activities for Everyday Teaching,” Carolina TESOL Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC, November 2019.

“Cultural Transitions to NCSU: Language Considerations and Resources,” NCSU International Undergraduate Orientation, presenter. Raleigh, NC, August 2019.

“International Student Transition Program,” NCSU Office of International Services, panel speaker. Raleigh, NC, October 2018.

“Practical Pronunciation: Use StoryCorps to Build Community and Improve Your Students’ Pronunciation,” NCSU Intensive English Program/ESL Professional Development Workshop, presenter. Raleigh, NC, April 2018.

“What Every ESL Class Can Do About Workplace English,” Wake Technical Community College Instructor Training Seminar, presenter. Raleigh, NC, 2000.

“How Can I Incorporate Grammar in My ESL Classroom (And Still Keep My Students Awake?),” Wake Technical Community College Professional Development Institute, presenter. Raleigh, NC, 2000.

“Do You Know Your Grammar?” Wake Technical Community College Professional Development Institute, presenter. Raleigh, NC, 1999.

“How to Help Your Students Communicate More Effectively on the Job,” NC TESOL Conference, facilitator. Raleigh, NC, 1999.

“Demythologizing Dialects in TESOL,” NC TESOL Conference, facilitator. Raleigh, NC, 1999.

“With this Ring,” Duke University Women’s Studies Conference, presenter. Durham, NC, April 1999.

SERVICE

Jeffreys Grove Elementary School

Weekly volunteer (2019 to present)
ESL Instructor, newcomer program

North Carolina State University

Incoming International Student Orientation Information Fair (2019 to present)
Represent ESL Department at fall and spring orientation sessions

Intern Mentor (2017 to present)
NCSU TESOL Certificate Program

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND ORGANIZATIONS

Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
North Carolina State University, 2017

Member, International TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)
Member, Carolina TESOL

Applying the Quality Matters Rubric (APPQMR) Workshop for implementing best practices for online instruction, 2020

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

Non-native fluency in Spanish

Best Plus Computerized Assessment Training

LMS: Moodle Online Learning Platform

G-Suite, Office 365, MS Office