



**Curriculum Vita
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EDUCATION

Doctor of Education: Curriculum & Instruction with Instructional Design & Technology
Liberty University, July, 2026

Master of Education in Education Technology
Texas A&M University-Commerce, May 2022

Bachelor of Arts & Applied Science in Business Administration, minor in Marketing
Texas A&M University-Commerce, May 2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

August, 2024– Present, CTE Communication Teacher, Sulphur Springs ISD-SSHS

August, 2019– May 2023, Special Education Teacher, Sulphur Springs ISD-SSHS

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Texas Teaching Certifications Valid Thru:

AAFCS, Family & Consumer Sciences Composite, July, 2032

Special Education EC–12, June, 2032

CTE Financial Literacy, Professional Communication Skills

August 2024-

Present

Sulphur Springs High School, Sulphur Springs, Texas

- Designed and implemented career-connected learning experiences focused on financial literacy, workforce readiness, professional communication, and postsecondary success.
- Guided students in career exploration, professional communication, goal setting, and workplace readiness through project-based and real-world learning experiences.
- Developed and facilitated authentic learning projects that strengthened student engagement, critical thinking, and practical life skills.
- Integrated technology platforms and digital learning tools to support instruction, communication, collaboration, and resource delivery.
- Modeled innovative instructional practices and supported colleagues in utilizing technology and AI tools to enhance teaching and learning.
- Utilized student data and formative assessment practices to inform instruction and improve student outcomes.

Pride Pathway Advising Coordinator June 2023 - May, 2024

Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, Texas

- Provided academic advising and success coaching to more than 400 undergraduate and graduate students, supporting degree planning, persistence, and educational goal attainment.
- Served as a liaison between university personnel, school district representatives, and students to facilitate communication and support student success initiatives.
- Assisted prospective and current students in navigating academic pathways, program requirements, and available support resources.
- Developed and maintained collaborative relationships with students, faculty, and support staff to strengthen retention and student engagement.
- Streamlined processes and developed organizational systems that improved program efficiency and student support services.
- Supported outreach and recruitment efforts by presenting program opportunities and assisting students in exploring educational pathways.

Special Education Co-Teacher Algebra 1, Algebra 1 Team Lead August 2019 - May 2023

Sulphur Springs High School, Sulphur Springs, Texas

- Managed a caseload of students with IEPs, monitored progress toward goals, maintained documentation, and collaborated with families and educational teams to support student success.
- Collaborated with general education teachers to design and implement instructional supports for diverse learners across multiple content areas.
- Utilized student performance data to guide instructional decisions and improve academic outcomes.
- Served as Algebra I Team Lead, facilitating collaboration, curriculum planning, and data-driven instructional discussions among team members.

- Supported campus initiatives through event planning, committee participation, and leadership of collaborative projects.
- Assisted in the development and implementation of virtual learning resources and instructional systems during the district's transition to online learning.