



**Curriculum Vita
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Education

M. Ed. Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia, AR (expected Summer 2021)
Higher, Adult, and Lifelong Education with Instructional Design Focus

M. A., English, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL July 2001

B. A., Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL May 1999
Major: English Minor: History

TEFL Certification, Bridge-Linguathec, Denver, Colorado

QM (Quality Matters) Certification

Teaching and Advising

English Instructor, Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia, AR,
August 2018-current

- Fundamentals of Writing
- Composition I
- Composition II
- Upward Bound instructor
- Alpha Sigma Alpha Faculty Advisor

- Online Education and Design Committee Member
- Academic Integrity Committee Member
- Upward Bound Hiring Committee

Adjunct Online Instructor, Bellevue University, Bellevue, NE

March 2019-current

- Developmental English
- Composition 1

Associate Professor of English, Dodge City Community College, Dodge City, Kansas

January 2017-May 2018

- Developmental English Level 1
- Developmental English Level 2
- Sentences (Co-requisite to ENG 102)
- Composition 1 (Classroom and Online)
- Composition 2 (Classroom and Online)
- Writing Workshop: PTK Honors in Action
- Phi Theta Kappa Advisor
 - Created and implemented an Honors in Action Writing course.
 - Took the chapter from a one-star chapter to a three-star chapter.
 - I also created a fund to help low-income students pay international membership fees. This fund will help many more students in our community join PTK and have access to scholarships and leadership opportunities.
- Suicide Prevention Committee

Dual-credit English Faculty, Sampoerna Academy, Medan, Indonesia

July 2016-December 2016

- Helped to coordinate the first American college connection in Medan.
- Co-taught hybrid English Composition course through Broward College to high school students.

English Faculty, University of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana (Shaoxing, China)

September 2013-July 2016

- ENGL 180 Professional Writing
- ENGL 210 Introduction to Literary Criticism and Theory
- ENGL 212 British Literature II
- ENGL 220 Advanced Composition: Expository Writing
- ENGL 310 Creative Nonfiction
- ENGL 311 Short Story
- ENGL 381 Substantive Editing
- ENGL 387 Comp Theory and Practice
- ENGL 384 Technical Writing and Editing
- ENGL 414 Twentieth-Century Literature and Culture
- BADM 332 Research/Writing/Project Management
- Writing Center Coordinator

- Collaboratively organized and opened the first writing center in the department.
- Trained junior level student volunteer tutors.
- Evaluated and reconstructed the writing program.
 - Implemented a new curriculum for all writing courses.
 - Created course objectives for all writing courses.

Composition and Literature Faculty, University of Colorado Denver, Denver, Colorado
(Beijing, China)

September 2012-May 2013

- Freshman Composition I and II
- Writing Center Tutor
- Tutored six one-hour sessions per week with students of all levels.
- Created online tutorials using the Prezi program for students to learn the online appointment tool, library research methods, and MLA format.

U.S. State Department English Language Fellow, Erciyes University, Kayseri, Turkey

September 2011-July 2012

- Courses Taught:
 - Freshman and Sophomore Listening and Speaking
 - Freshman, Sophomore, and Senior Reading and Writing
 - Senior Thesis Project Advisor
- Writing Center Coordinator
 - Independently planned and opened the first English language Writing Center on campus for students and faculty.
 - Recruited and trained students and faculty in tutoring and managing the center.
- Led Teacher Training Workshops for the Turkish Ministry of Education.
- Created a book club for students of all levels.

Developmental English Professor, College of the Marshall Islands, Majuro, MH

August 2009-May 2011

- Developmental English Level 1 Reading and Writing
- Developmental English Level 3 Listening and Speaking
- Developmental English Level 2 Reading and Writing
 - CMI 101 First Year College Experience Course
- Women's Studies Instructor
- Writing Assessment Committee Member

Composition Adjunct Instructor, Kaskaskia College, Centralia, IL

January 2008- July 2009 and June 2011 – July 2011

- Composition I
- Composition II

Composition Adjunct Instructor, Olney Central College, Olney, IL

August 2004-May 2008

- Composition I

Adjunct Instructor, Lake Land College, Mattoon, IL

January 2001-July 2006 and August 2008-July 2009

- Developmental English Task Force Member
 - Business English
 - Composition Skills/ Developmental English
 - Composition I
 - Composition II
 - Introduction to Literature
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Presentations

- “Is this Really Writing Though? Beyond Writing in the Transitional Classroom”
ARKade Online Conference, November 2020
 - “Using Moodle for ESL Courses.” Cukurova University, Education and Technology
Conference, Adana, Turkey May 2012
 - Trained faculty members to prepare them for teaching the First Year Experience course,
College of the Marshall Islands, September 2010.
 - “Whitman’s Women” Illinois Philological Association Conference, DePaul University,
Chicago, Illinois, April 21, 2001.
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Scholarly Activities and Awards

- Arkoss (formerly Arkade) Member, president-elect 2022
 - NOSS (NADE) Member
 - Phi Theta Kappa Advisor Horizon Award, March 2018
 - Honorable Mention from EIU Women’s Advocacy Council Essay Competition for “Whitman’s
Women”
 - 2nd Place EIU Departmental Graduate Level Essay Contest for “Whitman’s Women”
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Conferences Attended

- *Fostering LGBTQ+ Inclusion in Online Learning*, Online
- *Cavalier Conference on Writing and Literature*, Johnson County Community College, Overland
Park, KS, Keynote Professor Tom Averill, Washburn University
- *KATE Camp*, Great Bend High School, Great Bend, KS
- *Confidence in Community Literacies: Bilingual Writers Reading the World* Webinar by Steven
Alvarez sponsored by NCTE

- *Converging Communities in Developmental Education*, Pikes Peak Community College, Colorado Springs, Co, Keynote Dr. Hunter R. Boylan
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Volunteer Experience

- Women United in the Marshall Islands (WUTMI) 2009-2011
 - Volunteered at a week-long veterinary clinic held by SPAW in the Marshall Islands, February 2010.
 - Helped to organize and seek funding for a veterinarian to visit the Marshall Islands, October 2010.
 - Assisted the U.S. Navy volunteer veterinarians at a week-long animal clinic in the Marshall Islands, September 2009.
 - Ford County Humane Society, Dodge City, Kansas (2016-2018)
 - Magnolia Boys and Girls Club, Magnolia, AR (2020-2021)
I coached girls' basketball for the junior and senior teams.
 - H & P Animal Alliance, Camden, AR (2020-2021)
I foster dogs when the pound is overflowing. I also help to transport dogs to better locations for adoption.
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