Jarrod Bolin Advanced English Instructor, College English Professor Jarrod.bolin@yahoo.com

SUMMARY:

- Taught Dual Credit college-level courses for a non-traditional high school in Irving ISD and adjunct for North Lake College
- Earned a district monetary award for teaching excellence
- Engaged in diverse work experience, including combat experience with the Army National Guard and Area Chair for an academic conference
- Dedicated to offering academic opportunities to students who will be the first in their family to go to college
- Awarded, over four years, more than \$16,000 in grant money for Cinema Club, an academic endeavor for underprivileged students

EDUCATION:

Master of Arts in English, August 2012

Texas A&M University – Commerce, Commerce, TX

- Concentrated on popular culture studies, especially minority representation
- Texas Public Educator's Certification ELAR 8-12, valid through 2020

Bachelor of Arts in English Literature, December 2007

University of North Texas, Denton, TX

- Received Dean's List certification four consecutive times during the last two vears of coursework
- Interdisciplinary Minor in Religious Studies

EXPERIENCE: Secondary Teacher

- Have taught college-level English courses at Jack E. Singley Academy in Irving ISD, a non-traditional high school of choice in Irving, TX, for four years
- Created Cinema Club, an extracurricular club with the explicit purpose of affording high school students with the opportunity to do college-level research and present at SWPACA
- Taught ELAR classes at Greenville Middle School, a Title I public secondary school in Greenville, TX
- At GMS, led a team through the Alan November Project, an effort to spearhead technological use in rural school districts, in which they won iPods
- Created and taught lessons based on stringent curriculum requirements for a variety of courses including Special Education, English Language Arts and Writing, Reading, Dual Credit, and Advanced Placement courses
- Recipient of a District Area for Teacher Excellence (DATE) award of \$1000 for success during the 2008 school year (awarded September 2009) for teaching Special Education English Reading & Writing
- Consistently received positive formal and informal evaluations from high school and college administrators via the Professional Development and Appraisal System as well as from North Lake College

Higher Education Instructor

- Currently teach five courses for North Lake College in the Dallas County Community College District via adjunct position and Dual Credit courses at Jack E. Singley Academy
- Consistently receive positive feedback from mentors, administrators, and students
- Experienced teacher of students with language acquisition needs, adult learners, and of low socio-economic status

Cinema Club, 2012-Present

Academic club at Jack E. Singley Academy, Irving, TX

- Emphasis on teaching high school students how to perform research at the college level, as well as grant-writing techniques to fund that research
- First year, coached five students through the process of submitting an abstract to the SWPACA conference
- Second year, those five students mentored an additional 10 students through the same process.
- Last year, 11 students were accepted to present papers at SWPACA's conference.
- To date, students have presented to various grant committees winning more than \$12,000 for the purpose of this trip.
- This trip has never cost any student's family a dime—Cinema Club funds this trip through grants and fundraising so that the only threshold to pass is an academic one

Undergraduate Area Chair—Southwest Popular/American Culture Assc., 2016-Present

- Review abstracts submitted to the SWPACA databases for acceptance to the conference in Albuquerque, NM
- Was specifically asked by SWPACA executives to chair this area in order to improve academic rigor of Undergraduate Area
- Design thematic panels from varied proposals
- Chair most panels with feedback and instruction to the undergraduate presenters

Deployed Infantry Soldier for Operation Enduring Freedom V-VI.

- Currently a disabled veteran with a 70% disability rating due to my combat service.
- Was assigned as a machine-gunner for the unit, and ran combat patrols as well as guarded designated posts.
- Received the Army Commendation Medal for honorable service in a combat zone.