

Curriculum Vita May 2025

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EDUCATION

Master of Arts of English

Texas A&M University-Commerce, 2012

Bachelor of Arts of English

Texas A&M University-Commerce, 2010

Associate of Science of Secondary Education

Grayson County College, 2008

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

9/6/22 – 10/21/22, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 10/31/22 – 12/16/22, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 1/17/23 – 3/3/23, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 5/15/23 – 6/30/23, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 7/10/23 – 8/25/23, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 9/5/23 – 10/20/23, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 10/30/23 – 12/15/23, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 1/16/24 – 3/1/24, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 3/18/24 – 5/3/24, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce

5/13/24 – 6/28/24, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 7/8/24 – 8/23/24, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 9/3/24 – 10/18/24, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 10/28/24 – 12/13/24, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 1/13/25 – 2/28/25, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 3/17/25 – 5/2/25, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce 5/12/25 – 6/27/25, Adjunct ENG 1301 Instructor, East Texas A&M University

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director of Advising - East Texas A&M University

Leads academic advising strategies, which directly inform student success practices in the classroom.

Designs and implements advisor training, enhancing understanding of curriculum design, student learning outcomes, and academic policies.

Collaborates with faculty on course scheduling, placement, and program alignment—insightful for curriculum relevance and student progression.

Instructor – College English 1301 (for CBE Students)

Develops and teaches first-year composition courses, with emphasis on competencybased education.

Applies high-impact practices like active reading, scaffolded writing assignments, and reflective writing to develop student literacy.

Supports a wide range of learners, particularly nontraditional and at-risk students, using advising-informed pedagogical strategies.

Academic Advisor – Texas A&M University-Commerce

Advised students on course selection, major/career alignment, and academic probation recovery, gaining insight into barriers students face in writing and reading-intensive courses.

Coached students in time management, academic planning, and transfer readiness—skills reinforced in writing curriculum.

ORGANIZATIONS AND AWARDS

 Excellence in Service to Students Award, The National Society of Leadership and Success 	Spring 2019
TAMUC Five Years of Service Award	Fall 2016
TAMUC Ten Years of Service Award	Fall 2021
President's Meritorious Services Award-Success Team	Spring 2021
Volunteer for Toys for Tots-Commerce	Fall 2019 - Present
Certified Advising First-Generation College Students, NACADA	Fall 2019
Certified Theory & Practice of Advising, NACADA	Spring 2019
A&M University-Commerce Student Food Pantry Volunteer	Fall 2021
Campus Connect: Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Certified, Counseling Center TAMUC	Spring 2017
Vice President of the Campus Advisory Counsel, A&M University-Commerce	Fall 2018
Certified Creating Online Professional Development using the NACADA Core Comp.	Spring 2023
DEI- Workshop for Successful DEI Initiatives	Spring 2023

- TEXAAN Advising Organization member
 NACADA: The Global Community for Academic Advising member