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Education

B.S. Elementary Education, Southwestern Adventist University, Keene, Texas.
M.S. Behavioral Science and English, Cameron University, Lawton, Oklahoma.
Ph.D. English/Rhetoric and Linguistics, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pennsylvania.

Teaching Experience

I have taught the following courses:

Advanced Composition
Adolescent Literature
Composition I
Composition & Research II
Creative Nonfiction
Developmental Reading
Developmental Writing
Introduction to Literature
Non-course-based Integrated Reading and Writing

I currently teach:

ENGL 1301, Composition I
ENGL 2307, Creative Writing
INRW 0315/0325, Non-course-based, Integrated Developmental Reading, Writing, Technical, and Study Skills

Professional Experience

January 2008—Present	Grayson College Denison, Texas Program Director, Integrated Reading and Writing, Developmental English Program Director, iLab
August 2001-December 2008	Prairie View A&M University Prairie View, Texas Assistant Professor, English Writing Center Professor and Secondary Grant Writer

August 2000-August 2001	Nedley Publications Ardmore, Oklahoma Edited medical manuscripts
June 1997-August 2000	Indiana University of Pennsylvania Indiana, Pennsylvania Graduate Assistant & Teaching Assistant
August 1996-June 1997	Southern Adventist University Collegedale, Tennessee Adjunct Instructor, English Hilltop Center for Girls Collegedale, Tennessee Special Needs Tutor
August 1995-July 1996	Cameron University Lawton, Oklahoma Adjunct Instructor, English Research Assistant, Education, History, Humanities Departments, NCATE Review Database

Other

Tutor, Literacy Skills, ELL/TESOL
Special Ed, Secondary and Adult Learners
Continuing, Ed
Multigrade Instruction, Elementary

Honors and Awards

Consortium Leadership and Renewal Academy. North Texas Community College Consortium. Fellow, 2010-2011.
Gates-Marshall Fellow, Prairie View A&M University, 2006.
Best Conference Award, novel. Recognition of Excellence in Writing. North Texas Christian Writers Conference, 2005.
Who's Who Among America's Teachers, Student Nomination. Prairie View A&M University, 2004.
Academy for Educator Development Regent's' Initiative. Research Fellowship. TAMU/PVAMU, 2002-2003.
Who's Who Among America's Teachers, Student Nomination, Cameron University, 1996.
Who's Who Among Students in American Universities/Colleges, Department Nomination, Cameron University, 1995.
School of Education/Behavioral Sciences Scholarship, Cameron University, 1994.
Who's Who Among Students in American Universities/Colleges, Department Nomination, Southwestern Adventist University, 1972.
English Department Honors, Southwestern Adventist University, 1972.

Association Memberships

Current and Past Association Memberships—2001-Present:

- College Academic Support Programs
- College Reading and Learning Association/ Texas CRLA
- Texas Association for Developmental Education
- Texas Association of Institutional Research
- College Composition and Communication Conference
- National Council of Teachers of English
- Research Network Forum
- College English Association
- South Central Modern Language Association
- International Romanticism Conference
- Robert Frost Society
- American and Popular Culture Associations

Professional Presentations

Conference Presentations

- Meeting Generational Waves: Changing Vulnerability to Opportunity. Presenter. CASP Conference. Corpus Christi, TX. Oct. 2016.
- Student-Centered on Steroids: A, B, C's of NCBOs, Definitions and Strategies. Presenter. NTCCC. Tarrant County College/SE, Arlington, TX. April 1, 2016.
- Implementing Efficient Reading and Writing Strategies in NCBOs, INRW, and Paired Courses. Presenter. CASP. Dallas, TX, Sept. 2015.
- NCBOs and Paired Courses: Design, Integration, and Assessment. Presenter. NTCCC. TCCC—NW, Ft. Worth, TX. Mar. 2015.
- Mission and Method: NCBOs: Shaping The Future, Student by Student. Presenter. CASP Conference. San Antonio, TX. Sept. 2014.
- Individualized Instruction. NTCCC Spring Leadership Convocation. Panel Presentation. Collin College/Spring Creek. Plano, TX. Jan. 2014.
- Qualitative and Quantitative Literacy: Different Languages, Same Challenges. CASP. Amarillo Community College. Amarillo, TX. 2013.
- Scaling Up, Scaling Down: Rubrics for Building Integrated Reading/Writing Programs. Presenter. NTCCC. TCCC Trinity River Campus. Ft. Worth, TX. 2013.
- Integrating Reading and Writing Programs. Embracing a New Paradigm. Faculty Council. Developmental Education Forum. Co-presenter. Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, TX, 2012.
- The Process of Change: Integrating Reading and Writing. Special Topics Session. NTCCC Developmental Education Forum, Collin College/Spring Creek, Plano, TX, 2012.
- Integrating Academic Reading and Writing: From Texts to Instructional Practices. TCCTA/Pearson Convention. Frisco, TX, 2012.
- Making Connections: Accelerating Learning by Slowing Down the Process. Presenter. CASP Conference. Austin, TX, 2011.
- Writing to Succeed: Literacy Program Design and Assessment. Session moderator. Presenter. NTCCC Developmental Education Forum. TCCC/SE, 2011.
- Critical Thinking: Rediscovering a Familiar Process. Presenter. CASP Conference. El Paso, TX, 2010.
- Bridging Learning and Assessment, Texas Association for Institutional Research. Qualitative Research, presenter. Waco, TX, 2010.
- Student-Centered Assessment. Presenter. NTCCC, Plano, TX, 2009.
- Identifying Passages beyond the Classroom. Presenter. CASP, Corpus Christi, TX, 2008.
- Writing with the Mouth Closed: Assessing Teaching and Learning. CCCC. Research Network Forum. NY, 2007.
- Current(s): Creative Nonfiction. Chaired session. SCMLA. Hosted U of Memphis and Rhodes College. Memphis, TN, 2007.
- Teacher Narratives. Session chair. Thomas Watson Rhetoric and Composition Conference, Louisville, KY, 2006.
- Wings: Creative Nonfiction: Cultural Roundup. Presenter and session chair, SCMLA, Ft. Worth, TX, 2006.
- Teaching/Writing/Topography. Presenter. Southwestern Literature Festival, College Station, TX, 2006.
- Teaching Writing with the Mouth Closed. HBCU Symposium, Houston, TX, 2006.
- When Genres Collide: Science Fiction and the Introduction to Literature Course. "The Pragmatic Idealist's Genre."

Presenter. Presenter. Science Fiction Research Association International Conference. White Plains, NY, 2006.

- Tony Hillerman's Holy Lands. Presenter. College English Association, San Antonio, TX, 2006.
- Writing and Narrative Theory: The Work of Stories. Presenter. MIT International Conference, Boston, MA, 2005.
- Getting the Timing Right: Raising Awareness of Black English and Its Features with African American Writers in the Writing Center. Presenter. South Central Writing Centers Association. Baton Rouge, LA, 2005.
- Writing about Writing: Creative Nonfiction, the Essence of Fact. Presenter and session chair. Creating Literary Spaces for Self and Others. SCMLA, Hosted by UH and Rice University. Houston, TX, 2005.
- A Closer Look at Creative Nonfiction: Genre/First Voice. Presenter/session chair. Cultural Confluence. SCMLA. New Orleans, LA, 2004.
- A Postmodern Romantic Epiphany: Miles to Go. Presenter. International Romanticism Conference, Laredo, TX, 2004.
- A Place to Write. Presenter. CCCC. Research Network Forum, San Antonio, 2004.
- Sea Literature: Sea Sand and Ebb Tide, the Solitudes of Self and Other. Presenter and session chair. National PC/ACA joint conference. Boston, MA, 2007.
- Rhetoric in the Online Classroom. Presenter. TWU Rhetoric and Change Symposium, Denton, TX, 2004.
- Merging Spaces: Reader/Writer Communities in Tony Hillerman's Southwest. Presenter. SCMLA, Hot Springs, 2003.
- Writing: A Tool for Reflection and Knowledge Construction. Presenter. Conference on School-University Partnerships, San Antonio, 2003.
- *Little Women* in a *Star Trek* Universe. Presenter. SCMLA, New Orleans, 2003.
- Making Connections: Bridge between Academic Writing and Reality. Presenter. CCCC, Research Network Forum, presenter/session chair, NY, 2002.
- Paraphernalia and Necessities in the Work of Barbara Kingsolver. Presenter. Southwestern American Literature. SCMLA, Austin, TX, 2002.
- The Ripple Effect: Seven Keys to Student Success. Presenter. Chancellor's Invitational Conference, Houston, TX, 2002.

Seminar/Workshop Presentations

- Professional Development Workshop. Co-presenter. Teaching Students to Read Critically and Creating Assignments that Encourage Attendance. GC, Mar. 20, 2015.
- Professional Development, Common Book: *Bridges out of Poverty*. Facilitator. GC. Oct. 2014 and Feb. 5, 2015.
- A Gift of Words. CWL Teams Course. GC, Oct., 2014.
- Gift of Words. Mornings with the Professors. University faculty presenter. Invitational Community Workshop. Continuing Education Department. IUP, 2001.
- Nearby History and An Exploration of Gender/Genre Discourse. Team Research Projects. Presenter. Graduate Seminar. IUP 1997.
- Gender, Language, and Conferencing. Co-presenter. Team Project. Sociolinguistics workshop, IUP, 1997.
- Redefining the Students We Teach: Lifetime Literacy. Presenter. Graduate Seminar. IUP, 1997.
- Responsive Teaching. Presenter and published proceedings. Graduate seminar. UT/Knoxville, 1996.
- Personal Identity in Robert Frost's Poetry. Presenter. Graduate Workshop. Cameron U, 1994.
- Themes of Nathaniel Hawthorne Workshop. Presenter. Cameron U, 1994.

- Make It Happen. Women's Ministries. Director. Community Workshop. Duncan, OK, 1994.
- Reflections on Classical and Contemporary Literature: Shakespeare and Beyond. Presenter. Graduate Seminar. Cameron U, 1993.
- Reader-Response: Audience in the World of Criticism. Presenter. Graduate workshop, Cameron U, 1993.

Publications and Papers

- "Daisies and Diaries: Death and Defining Self." *Reflect, Inform, Persuade: College Writing Today*. Ed. Elizabeth Rodriguez Kessler. Boston: Longman, 2010.
- "Judith Krantz," "Lake Wobegon Days," and "Garrison Keillor." Ed. Geoff Hamilton and Brian Jones. *Encyclopedia of Popular Fiction*. Facts on File, 2009.
- *In the Presence of the Sun* N. Scott Momaday. Ed. Jennifer McClinton-Temple. *Encyclopedia of American Indian Literature*. Facts on File, 2007.
- "Isaac Asimov" and "Gold." Ed. Abby H. Werlock. *Companion to the American Short Story*. Facts on File, 2006.
- "Louisa May Alcott." Ed. A. H. Werlock. *Companion to the American Novel*. Facts on File, 2006.
- "James Maguire." *Western Writers Series, Number 165*, Boise State U., 2005. Book Review. *Journal of the American Studies Association of Texas*. Ed. Steven Schroeder. Vol. 37 (2006).
- "Susan Swetnam." *Western Writers Series, Number 163*, Boise State U., 2005. Book Review. Ed. Steven Schroeder. *Journal of the American Studies Association of Texas*. Vol. 37 (2006).
- "N. Scott Momaday," "Yusef Komunyakaa," "Stanley Burnshaw," and "John Berryman." Ed. Emmanuel S. Nelson. *Encyclopedia of Multiethnic American Literature*. Westport, CT: Greenwood, 2005.
- "The Beach." *Diverse Issues—Diverse Answers: Reading, Writing, and Thinking about Social Issues*. Ed. Elizabeth Kessler. NY: Longman, 2005.
- "Living the Narrative Life." *Storytelling, Self, Society: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Storytelling Studies*, Vol. 2(1). Book Review. Gian S. Pagnucci. *Living the Narrative Life: Stories as a Tool for Meaning Making*. Heinemann, (2004).
- *Going by Contraries: Robert Frost's Conflict with Science*. Robert Bernard Hass. Book review. Ed. Trey Strecker. *English Studies Forum*. Jan. 2004.
- "The Mind and Its Stories: Narrative Universals and Human Emotion." Patrick Colm Hogan. Book review. Ed. David Gorman. *Style* (39). 2005.
- "Cultural Identity: More than Myth, Kith, or Mud." Oklahoma Culture Session, Southwest. Popular/American Culture Association. Proceedings. Albuquerque, NM, 2002.
- "Through a Woman's Eyes." *Fabric of Faith*. Ed. Ardis Dick Stenbakken. Hagerstown, MD: R&H, 2000.
- "Snow Drifts and Life Changes." *In God's Garden*. Ed. A. D. Stenbakken and Dorothy Eaton Watts. Hagerstown, MD: R&H, 1999.
- "The Nests." *From the Heart*. Ed. Rose Otis. Hagerstown, MD: R&H, 1997.
- "Responsive Teaching: Why Teach Literature?" *Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy* (to be revised).

Creative Work, Magazine articles, Study guides, and Works in progress

- *Poets of Stonebridge*. Fiction series. In progress.
- "Composing as Self-Directed Learning." In progress.
- Creative Nonfiction: Process and Product." In progress.

- "I Love Surprises!" *Women of Spirit*, 2004.
- Interaction. Collegiate Quarterly and Cornerstone Connection (study guides), 1993.

Professional Development and Service

60x30TX INRW. Webinar. Participant. THECB and Austin Community College. Dec. 2016.

NTCCC Developmental Education Regional Forum. Planning Team Member. Tarrant County College SE, Arlington, TX, Spring 2016.

Contextualization Summit. Participant. Hosted by St. Phillips College and THECB. San Antonio, TX.. February 2016.

Quality Matters: Course Design Workshop. Participant. GC. February 2016.

Summer Literacy Institute. Participant. Hosted by San Jacinto College. Houston. July 30-31, 2015.

HB 5: CARE Initiative Collaboration. Webinar. Participant. Presented by Lone Star-Cy Fair. April 30, 2014.

First Year Seminar, Train-the-trainer Certification Workshop. Facilitators: Ann Fry, Edie Carter, and Karen White. Coordinators: Lana Jackson, Kathy Wheeler. Participant. Hosted by Amarillo College and Victoria College. Victoria, TX, Mar., 2014.

Blackboard Exemplary Course Program Review. Reviewer. Blackboard, Inc., 2014.

National Association of Developmental Education. Proposal Reader. 2013.

NTCCC Conference Program Planning Committee. 2012-2013.

Transitioning Students with Disabilities." Dr. Jeffrey Holmes. Participant. Webinar. 2013.

Coming Together Around the Common Core: The Impact of CCSS Standards on Your Writing Classroom. Rene Swensen and Jason Chu. Participant. Webinar. Mar. 2013.

TeamUP/THECB INRW . Participant. Institute. Irving, TX, February 7-8, 2013.

Strategic Planning Student Learning Goal Team. Member. GC. 2012-2013.

Developing and Teaching a Hybrid Learning Strategies Course. Participant. Pre-Conference Institute. CRLA and CASP Houston. Nov. 2012.

Shortening the Path to Success. Bryan Reece. Participant. Webinar. Cerritos College. Nov. 2012.

Success by the Numbers. Integrating SSBTN into Strategic Planning. GC. June 18-19, Oct. 23, 2012.

Three R's of Higher Education: Redesigning, Reinventing, Resetting. Fall Leadership Convocation. Strengthening Developmental Education Network. Participant. Breakout session. Collin College-Spring Creek. Sept. 2012.

Integrated Reading and Writing. Participant. Webinar. Presenter. Dr. Sugie Goen-Salter. Hosts Texas Network for Teaching Excellence and TX CRLA. September 27, 2012.

Adjunct and New Faculty Seminar. Reading Across the Curriculum. Co-facilitator. Roundtable and INRW adjunct orientation meeting. GC. August 2012.

Moving Toward Online Excellence. Participant. Workshop. Presenter Ed Bowen. GC E-Learning. August 2012.

Placement and Testing. Participant. Presenter Dr. Edward Morante. Host Lone Star College. Video. Accessed May 2012.

Developmental Educational Administration, Leadership, and Technology. Participant. Conference. Host SHSU. Huntsville, TX, April 2012.

Make a Difference: Tips for Teaching Students Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. Disability Support Services, Project PEC, and Office of Communications, UAR-Little Rock. Video. Accessed Mar. 2012.

Instructor Training. Integrating Academic Reading and Writing. Facilitator. Developmental Education Forum. GC, Spring, 2012.

Planning Team, Coordinator: Denise Johnson. 7th Annual Developmental Education Regional Forum, Collin

College/Spring Creek Campus, Spring, 2012-2013.

FOCUS on the Future of Developmental Education. Participant. Symposium. Texas State University. Jan. 2012.

Instructional Student Success Retention Committee. Member. GC, Spring 2012.

Developmental Education Forum. Developmental Writing moderator. Host TCC-SE campus, 2011.

Q4 Special Report Update: The Evolving Classroom. Participant. Webinar. Center for Digital Education. Dec. 2011.

6th Annual Outcomes and Assessment Conference: Assessment and Evaluation of the Proposed Core Objectives. Participant. Collin College-Spring Creek. Oct. 2011.

How Learning Works: 7 Learning Principles. Michele DiPietro. The Teaching Professor. Participant. MAGNA Online Seminar. Sept. 2011.

CLARA presentation. Kilgore College. Mar. 2011.

Professional Development: Reading Across the Curriculum. Presenter. GC. Aug. 2011.

How Good Is Good Enough: Setting Benchmarks or Standards. Participant. Presenter Linda Suskie. MAGNA Online Seminar. June 2011.

CLARA campus visit. Co-facilitator. Dec. 2010.

SACS QEP Advisory Team member. Annual Meeting. Louisville, KY, 2010.

QEP. Advisory Team. GC. 2010-2011.

Leading from the Middle. Participant. TCCTA. Frisco, TX, 2010.

Kaizen Workshop. Participant. GC, 2010.

Closing the Gaps Summer Summit: Vertical Alignment Team member. GC, 2010.

Student Success Team and Frameworks Committees member. GC, 2009-2010.

Assessment Conference. Participant. Texas A&M, 2009-2010.

Reflective Practice. Faculty Forum for Academic Success. Co-facilitator. GC, 2008.

Technology Workshops, Embedded Assessment Workshops, Advisement Training. Participant. GCC, 2008-Present.

Committees, Curriculum and Assessment, Performance Evaluation, Academic Roadmap Project Team, NCATE, Departmental 2-Year Program Review, Composition Committee, Lyceum Lecture Series Committee, Hiring, ABET accreditation computer science review, Grade appeals Committees, Walk Across Texas Fitness Project Coordinator, Majors/Minors Fair Department coordinator, Initiated and facilitated Faculty Forum. PVAMU, 2001-2007.

Online Learning Initiative, Web/Web-Mediated Course Development Workshops, Faculty Orientations, Distance Learning, Excel Grading, Advising, Grant Writing and Publication, LERN Online Teaching Workshop, Course Design and Development, Center Academic Excellence, Distance Learning Workshops, PVAMU, 2003-2007.

Academic Advisor/Mentor, maintained advisement folders, completed preliminary audits, and provided letters of recommendation for student scholarships, and academic and staff positions. Initiated student involvement in Departmental and poetry projects, workshops, and scholarships, PVAMU, 2001-2007.

Course-embedded Assessment. Participant. Workshop. Presenter Dr. Larry Kelley. PVAMU. 2006.

Honors Program. Developed and submitted ENGL 1123 and 1133 Sections. PVAMU, 2005.

Human Participant Protections Education for Research Teams. Online course sponsored by National Institutes of Health. Certified participant. Protocol granted. PVAMU, April 2005.

Supplemental Instruction. Non-remedial tutoring. Participant. Workshop. Instructors Drs. Sandra Zerger and Kay L. Patterson. UMO-Kansas City. PVAMU, 2005.

Writing Center. Faculty tutor, PVAMU, 2003-2005.

Decision Making, Creative Thinking. Participant. Workshop. XpertUS software. Shanmar Inc., PVAMU, 2004.

Online Course Development. Arts and Sciences Presenter. Center for Teaching Excellence and Distance Learning. 2002.

Teaching Online. Certified participant. Instructor William A. Draves, LEARN. 2001.

Web-Based Curriculum Design. Participant. Online workshop, Andrews University, 2001.

Writing for Professional Publication and Grant Writing Workshop. Participant. Presenter Dr. Kenneth T. Henson. Host Academy for Excellence in Teaching, PVAMU, 2001.

Liberal Studies Writing Workshop. Certified writing-Intensive faculty. Instructor Dr. Robert Yalgelski. IUP. 1999.

Literacy and ESOL tutor training. Certified participant. ARIN Intermediate Unit, Regional Education Service Agency. Indiana, PA, 1999.

Student-Centered Syllabi and Student Stress Training. Participant. Workshops, IUP, 1998-1999.

HTML and Technology. Participant. Workshop. UT-Knoxville, 1996.

Communication Skills. Participant. Workshop. Continuing Education. RU, Rockville, MD, , 1994.