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*2011-present University of Utah, Associate Instructor*

- Courses Taught:
  - ESL/EAS 1040 Grammar and Editing Skills for Non-native Speakers
  - ESL/EAS 1050 Composition for Non-native Speakers
  - ESL/EAS 1600 Teaching and Learning Across Cultures
  - ESL/EAS 3400 Arts Around the Globe
  - ESL/EAS 4300 Advanced Pronunciation
  - ESL/EAS 6040 Spoken English for Graduate Students
  - ESL/EAS 6050 Advanced Spoken English for Graduate Students
  - GLOBL 1100 Utah and the World
  - LING 1050 Intro to English Grammar
  - LING 3600 Cross-Cultural Communication
  - LING 5813 Practicum (for TESOL Certificate)
- Consistently received high student evaluations.
- Provided practicum classroom experience for undergraduate & graduate students studying for their Certificate in TESOL or master's degree in Linguistics.
- Assessed students' oral proficiencies in the International Teaching Assistant Program (ITAP) for scheduling needs.
- Taught approximately 2300 students over the years including teaching remotely
- Utilized new technology adapted for remote teaching (spring 2019, summer & fall 2020).

*2010-2011 Salt Lake Community College Program Coordinator*

- Worked with International Student Services director to develop cultural programs for participant in the Community College Initiative (CCI) Leadership Program sponsored by the U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Washington D.C.
- Interacted with community businesses and educational programs to develop internship opportunities for international students from Egypt, India, South Africa, and Ghana.
- Worked collaboratively to meet budgetary and program needs.

*2008 Chile's English Open Doors Program, Volunteer EFL Teacher*

- Taught English for 3 months in 3 central Chilean schools.

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- Helped plan and present an intensive 2-week English summer camp for students in northern Chile.
- Created communicative projects and coordinated presentations for graduation ceremony.
- Mentored instructors new to working with EFL students.

*2007-2011 Program for Academic Exchange, Community Coordinator*

- Coordinated the placement of U.S. State Department high school scholarship foreign exchange student ambassadors (J1 visas) into local schools and homes to promote a better understanding of the world.
- Students came from China, Japan, Korea, Thailand, Indonesia, Philippines, Malaysia, West Bank, Saudi Arabia, Ghana, Morocco, Mexico, Spain, Italy, and Germany.
- Conducted all interviews and inspections with potential host families, and interviews with school officials and community leaders.
- Oversaw the placement of students into schools and homes, provided orientations, support, and supervision for all parties.
- Acted as student advocate. Provided community service opportunities, community educational programs, and student enrichment opportunities.
- Promoted the program through local news, community, Internet forums, and at public events to encourage new families to host and provide public awareness of the program.
- Educated the students on how to work toward community improvement through volunteerism, project organization, fundraising, and public relations activities.

*1998-2011 Salt Lake Community College, ESL Instructor*

- Taught ESL Pronunciation, Conversation, Vocabulary, Business English and Reading.
- Consistently received high student evaluations.
- Taught approximately 2,100 students.
- Taught classes for TOEFL iBT to international and immigrant students.
- Embraced Technology early on. In 2002, designed and launched the programs' first online ESL courses in Business English and Vocabulary.

*1994-1998 El Paso Community College, ESL Instructor*

- Taught bilingual adult learners at the Career Training Center an open entry program serving displaced workers with new marketable skills.
- Instructed students how to use pre-reading, skimming, highlighting and other reading strategies.
- Developed Center's first online resources for bilingual students.

*1994-1995 San Elizario Middle School, Texas, ESL Teacher*

- Taught all levels of ESL, including two ESL reading classes.
- Supervised ESL computer lab.
- Regularly evaluated students' ESL levels for program exit purposes.

## 1989-1991 *Peace Corps, Community Development Volunteer, Papua New Guinea*

- Received intensive intercultural and language training and gained an appreciation for global learning.
- Experienced living in extremely remote jungles with people who had limited exposure to western cultures.
- Created curriculum and taught Pidgin English, health, and numeracy skills to pre-literate students.
- Taught basic reading skills using self-created materials based on *Language Acquisition Made Practical* (LAMP) methods.

## CONSULTING, PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS

- 2019 Teacher Training planned and present three teacher training workshops in Beijing, China, *Second Language Acquisition and Faculty Enrichment Training*.
- 2019 *Building a Team and Building Yourself with Openness and Creativity*. Workshop presentation at the University of Utah Women's Leadership conference Co-presented with Karen Marsh Schaeffer & Amber Christensen.
- 2019 *Implementing Global Learning Outcomes into a TESOL Certificate Program* grant \$10,000.
- 2019 Awarded Certificate of Appreciation in person by the Director of Peace Corps, Dr. Jody Olsen
- 2018 Presentation to volunteers at the International Rescue Committee.
- 2017 Moderator for conference session at Pronunciation in Second Language Learning and Teaching (PSLLT) Conference, University of Utah.
- 2017 Presentation for teenagers from Sudan for Utah Department of Refugee Services.
- 2016 Awarded Certificate of Appreciation by Southern Poverty Law Center.
- 2015 *Cultural Values that Influence Interaction*. Paper presented at 2015 Intermountain. TESOL, West Yellowstone, Montana. Co-presented with Karen Marsh Schaeffer.
- 2013-15 Presentations on Lesson Planning to University of Utah Teaching Assistants.
- 2013 Awarded Certificate of Participation in Iraqi Young Leaders Exchange Program, sponsored by the U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Washington D.C.
- 2010 Awarded Certificate of Appreciation by Office of Citizen Exchanges, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C.
- 2005 TESOL/Houghton Mifflin Award for Dedication to Community College ESL Teaching.
- 2004-09 Board Member Intermountain TESOL, Display Chair.
- 2002-22 Attended 11 international TESOL conferences.
- 2002 *Generation 1.5. Students Speak Out*, Presented at 2002 TESOL Convention, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- 1998 Peace Corps Coverdell Fellows recipient, University of Texas at El Paso
- 1998 Earned M. Ed, University of Texas at El Paso. Thesis on reading comprehension and Second Language Acquisition.
- 1998 Certified Public School Secondary English Teacher with ESL endorsement in Texas.

## SERVICE and INTERESTS

- Reviewed Textbook for Houghton Mifflin, New York, NY.
- Worked 2 years at community refugee program with Hmong people arriving in La Crosse, WI.
- Volunteered with Utah's first Cohousing Community 20+ years.
- Volunteered as coordinator for Peace Corps Volunteer Association of Utah 20 +years.
- Volunteered at Open Classroom K-8 Charter School for 15 years.
- Volunteered with SERVAS (Peace Organization) for 18 years.
- Volunteer board member with SABU Help providing educational opportunities for women in Ghana.
- Learned Melanesian Pidgin English with native-like fluency in the Peace Corps.
- Lived and taught in 2 foreign countries (Papua New Guinea and Chile).
- Hosted 7 international exchange students in our home (students from Korea, Ghana, Philippines, Thailand, Iraq, England and Germany).
- Traveled to 19 countries.
- Studied abroad with the Student Project for Amity among Nations (SPAN) in Malaysia and Singapore, University of Minnesota.
- Have minimal knowledge of Spanish, Hmong, Hagahai/Yamanaba, and Japanese.