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CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Lecturer in Education – Coordinator of Clinical Field Experience, Secondary Education
Department of Teaching and Learning

Lecturer in French
Department of French and Italian

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Secondary Education, Second Language Acquisition, World Language Education, Intercultural Competence

EDUCATION

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN Department of Education, Literacy, Culture and Language Education, Anticipated Graduation: May 2022, Ed.D.

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN Graduation: May 2002 G.P.A. 3.8/4.0
M.Ed. Education with French endorsement

Taylor University, Upland, IN Graduation: May 1996 G.P.A. 3.8/4.0, Magna Cum Laude
B.A. French Language and Literature/B.A. Communication Studies/Public Relations Minor

PROFESSIONAL AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Vanderbilt University - Nashville, TN

Peabody College

Department of Teaching and Learning - Lecturer in Education – appointment August 2011 – present

EDUC 3310/6310 – The Ecology of the Classroom – Summer 2014, Summer 2015, Summer 2016, Fall 2017, Summer 2018, Fall 2018, Summer 2019, Fall 2019

EDUC 3872 – Practicum II – Assessment in Secondary Education, Fall 2017

EDUC 3720 – Principles of Teaching English Language Learners, Fall 2016

EDUC 2340/3871 – Practicum I in Secondary Education – August 2011 – present

FLED 2960 Independent Study – Spring Semester 2013, Spring Semester 2014, Fall Semester 2015

Coordinator of Clinical Field Experience – appointment August 2011 – present

Primary focus on partnership building and cultivation with schools, district offices and personnel
Responsible for securing and assigning all practicum and student teaching placements for Secondary Education undergraduate and graduate students

Oversee and coordinate Screening I and Screening II activities for pre-service teacher candidates

Coordinate and oversee university mentors for Secondary Education

College of Arts and Sciences

Department of French and Italian - Lecturer in French – appointment August 2011 – present

FREN 2203 – Contemporary France and Francophone Cultures – Fall 2014 - Present

FREN 103 – Intermediate French – Fall 2011 – Spring 2014

Peabody College

Adjunct Instructor – Fall Semester 2002 – Spring 2010

FLED 2380 Foreign Language Teaching: Theory and Practice

- Instructed undergraduate and graduate students preparing to enter the foreign language teaching profession
- Discussed current foreign language learning theories and how these theories inform classroom practice
- Supervised graduate Capstone projects for Peabody College

Hillsboro High School, Nashville, TN, Department Chair of Foreign Languages, August 2003-July 2011

- Taught French I-French V/IB in an immersion type setting
- Integrated technology into daily classroom activities
- Developed and wrote French curriculum for the International Baccalaureate Program at Hillsboro High School
- Supervised French Club, Knitting Club and sponsored National Eating Disorders Awareness Week
- Served as a PTSA faculty liaison and maintained regular parent contact with my students' families
- Coordinated and led student trips to France, England and Spain

John Trotwood Moore Middle School, Nashville, TN, August 2003-August 2004

- Taught 7th and 8th grade French
- Implemented introductory French program
- Wrote the 8th grade for high school credit test for the district
- Coordinated and led student field trips related to the target culture

Hillwood High School, Nashville, TN, October 2002-May 2003

- Taught French I-French IV using a variety of instructional techniques
- Supervised French Club
- Worked with the Hillwood Girls Track Team

Nashville State Community College, Nashville, TN, Fall Semester 2002

Adjunct Instructor – FREN 1010

- Taught introductory French

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

AACTE – Taking an Ecological Perspective on Equity – Co-Presenter, Spring 2020

Annual Reading Forum (ARF) - Creating Composers: Using Digital and Multimodal Writing to Develop Pedagogical Change with Pre-Service Teachers – Chair, Fall 2019

ACTFL - Fostering Culturally and Politically Sensitive Discussions in the Classroom, Co-Presenter, Fall 2019

Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers' Association Conference – Learn a Language – Lead with Heart – Conference Chair, Fall 2019

Annual Reading Forum (ARF) - Learning From and With Literature: Children's Nonfiction Texts Representing Disability – Moderator, Fall 2018

Annual Reading Forum (ARF) - Live-Actor Simulations to Unpack Assumptions and Enter Difficult Conversations – Co-presenter, Fall 2018

ACTFL - 7 Billion Others and Me: Introspection for Global Tolerance – Co-presenter, Fall 2018

AACTE – Exploring Signature Pedagogies to Develop Critical Dispositions – Co-presenter, Spring 2018

AERA – Student Engagement and Activism – Co-presenter, Spring 2018

Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers' Association Conference – Co-presenter, Fall 2014
 “First Year Teachers in the World Language Classroom”

Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers' Association Conference – Co-presenter, Fall 2013
“The Vanderwiki Project: A Social Pedagogies Approach to Cultural Issues in France.”

Southern Conference of Language Teachers (SCOLT) – Co-presenter, Spring 2014
“*Innovations in technology use at Vanderbilt University's Center for Second Language Studies: Wikis and Skyping*”

Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers 'Association Conference – Co-presenter with Virginia Scott, Fall 2003
“ACTFL and the State Standards for Foreign Language Teaching”

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Humanizing Pedagogies – Vanderbilt University – Dr. Lani Horn – Fall 2018

Response to Diverse Learners - Vanderbilt University – Dr. Ocheze Joseph – Fall 2018

Secondary Education Student Teaching Seminar – Vanderbilt University - School-Home-Community Connections – Spring 2018

Center for Second Language Studies – Creating your Teaching Portfolio – Vanderbilt – Spring 2018

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

President – Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers' Association – current

State Literacy Initiative in World Languages – Consultant – 2018-2019

State Department of Education Standards for World Languages Writing Committee Consultations - 2017

Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers Assoc. Board Member 2nd Term of Service

American Association of Teachers of French

Pi Delta Phi – National French Honor Society

American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Language

Kappa Delta Pi – National Education Society

State Department of Education Textbook Adoption Committee – 2009-2010

State Department of Education Standards for World Languages Writing Committee – 2009-2010

SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY

University – School Liaison

Serve as faculty liaison between surrounding school districts, Secondary Education faculty, University Mentors and professional year students.

Coordinate partnerships for all SED student placements across three counties and independent schools.

Screening I

Coordinate undergraduate screening in the fall and spring annually as students make their formal application to the SED program and teacher licensure track.

Recruit evaluators, schedule individual student sessions and interviews and gather data to support admittance to the program.

Screening II

Coordinate undergraduate and M.Ed. screening in the fall and spring before students begin their professional year student teaching or residency placements.

Recruit evaluators, schedule individual student sessions and presentations and gather data to support admittance to student teaching.

Master's Capstone for Secondary Education

Coordinate M.Ed. final Capstone projects by scheduling student presentations, recruiting evaluators and gathering data to support continuation in the program.

Certificate in Second Language Studies – A&S Steering Committee

Planned, coordinated and implemented certificate of study with other language department colleagues for master's and doctoral students

SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

- MCTE – Metro Council of Teacher Educators – Peabody SED representative
- MNPS Parent Advisory Committee in Exceptional Education
- International Baccalaureate Inquiry Project Reviewer – JT Moore Middle School – 2017
- Montessori Center, Nashville, TN – Cultural and Language teaching to primary class – 2016-present
- Tutoring
- Sister Cities of Nashville Member – 2011- present
Interview students and chaperones for summer exchange program to Caen, France
- Linden Waldorf School – Board Member 1st Term of Service 2013-2016

HONORS, AWARDS & EXCHANGES

Caen, France, 2014 & 2011 – Diplomatic Exchange with Sister Cities of Nashville

- Travelled with representatives from Mayor Karl Dean's office to represent the city of Nashville and our system of education during an international celebration of Sister Cities in Normandy, France.

Montpellier, France, 2004, *Nina Walls Scholarship* – Alliance Française de Nashville

- Awarded the opportunity to study and live in Montpellier while attending a language intensive program

Strasbourg, France, 1999, *Group Study Exchange Program* – Rotary International

- Interfaced with international corporations to evaluate business and marketing in a global marketplace
- Refined my French speaking skills during this four week program

Geneva, Switzerland, 1995, *Intern* – Taylor University

- Planned and coordinated after school activities for youth in the international school system
- Increased French language skills and developed a deeper understanding of international relations

Brittany, France, 1990, *Honors Exchange Program* – Indiana University

- Participated in rigorous nine week language immersion program in St. Brieuc, France