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Post-Secondary Education

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Milwaukee, WI
M.A. in Foreign Languages and Literature, with a concentration in French Literature
Graduation Date: May 2010 (GPA: 4.0/4.0)
Chancellor's Graduate Student Award: 2008-09 Academic Year
Member - Southeastern Wisconsin Academic Alliance in French

La Sorbonne Nouvelle University Paris, France
Maîtrise in English Civilization, Language and Literature
Graduation Date: June 2005
Maîtrise in Didactics of French as a Foreign Language
Graduation Date: June 2004

Teaching Experience

University of Wisconsin- Colleges (Fond du Lac campus) Sept. 2010-May 2018
Lecturer in French and Italian

-Taught Fr101 (First semester) and Fr105 (Second semester) through Compressed Video (non-online Distance class, with students on four or five campuses simultaneously). Conducted one 50-minute class four times a week. Prepared lesson plans and tests as well as pedagogical activities. Graded homework, papers, oral presentations and tests.

-Organized a celebration of "National French Week" (Fall 2015 and 2016): contacted different departments on campus to collect an array of posters designed by students combining different fields of study (World Languages, Anthropology, Chemistry, Biology, Art and Psychology) with French/Francophone culture. Assembled the posters in the Commons where they remained for a week, visible by all campus.

-Taught Ita103 (First semester-Part I) and Ita104 (First semester-Part II). Conducted one 50-minute class twice a week. Prepared lesson plans and tests as well as pedagogical activities. Graded homework, papers and tests.

University of Wisconsin – Fond du Lac, Continuing Education 2015 –2016

-Taught "Culture Connections" Classes: "Discover France" and "Discover Italy": designed and conducted sets of five ninety-minute sessions for each country. Classes are conducted in English, and designed to introduce adult learners to the civilization, history, art, cuisine and contemporary issues of the country through a variety of texts, videos and other relevant material.

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh 2010-present
Lecturer in French

Taught Fr110 (1st semester French) and Fr111 (2nd semester French): Conducted one one-hour class three times per week. Prepared lesson plans and tests, graded homework, papers, oral presentations and tests.

Taught Fr203 (3rd semester French) and Fr204 (4th semester French): Conducted one one-hour class three times per week. Prepared lesson plans and tests, graded homework, papers, oral presentations and tests.

Taught Fr208 (Intermediate Conversation) and Fr209 (Vignettes Culturelles): Conducted one one-hour class twice per week. Prepared lesson plans and tests, graded homework, papers, oral presentations and tests.

-Organized a celebration of “National French Week” (Fall 2022): contacted different departments on campus to collect an array of posters designed by students combining different fields of study (History, Literature, Gender Studies) with French/Francophone culture. Assembled the posters in Clow where they remained for a week, visible by all campus.

Fox Valley Technical College

2011-2020

Instructor of French, Italian and Spanish

Taught French 1, French 2, French 3, French 4, and French Advanced Conversation: for each level, I conducted a two-hour-and twenty-minute class, once a week. Prepared lesson plans, pedagogical activities and discussions, and graded homework.

Taught Italian 1 and Italian 2: conducted a two-hour-and twenty-minute class, once a week. Prepared lesson plans, pedagogical activities and discussions, and graded homework.

Designed and taught French 1 online and French 2 online, first using the Rosetta Stone® program for four semesters, then using the online Vista Higher Learning Supersite materials, along with the Blackboard learning management system for additional discussions of cultural material. Adapted the curriculum from a face-to-face context to an all-online context and wrote curriculum design framework sheets for each credit for each class.

French summer camp: designed and conducted two five-day morning summer camps to introduce children in grades 6 to 12 to French language through games, songs and craft activities.

Taught Spanish 1: I conducted a two-hour-and twenty-minute class, once a week. Prepared lesson plans, pedagogical activities and discussions, and graded homework.

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

August 2008-May 2010

Teaching Assistant

Taught French 103: First semester French (4 credits). Conducted one 50-minute class five times per week.

Taught French 113: Intense First semester summer class (4 credits). Conducted one three and a half-hour class five times per week.

Taught French 203 and 204: Third and Fourth semester French (3 credits each). Conducted one 50-minute class three times per week.

Common responsibilities: Wrote lesson plans and created class activities; assigned and graded homework and tests; assigned course grades; used mediated and non-mediated classrooms, used online educational technologies such as UWM’s learning management system and the Quia workbook. Co-moderated the French Table.

UW Madison – Continuing Education

Summer 2012, 2015 and 2016

French camp teacher

Prepared and conducted a variety of pedagogical activities in French on various themes for children aged 10 to 12, using immersion and TPR methods.

Alliance Française of Milwaukee

June – August 2010

French Teacher

Taught a conversation class, a class for true beginners and a class for bilingual children.

Upward Bound Program-UW Milwaukee

June – July 2010

French Teacher

Taught an advanced French class for high-school students over the summer. Prepared lesson plans and tests, graded homework, papers and tests.

Ripon College, Ripon, WI

August 2005-May 2007

Language Assistant in French

Created content for and conducted conversation classes.

Organized cultural evenings, movie viewings and discussions.

Moderated a weekly French Table on campus.

Subbed for Professors when necessary. (Fr112/Fr300/Fr314)

Helped during classes and rehearsal for the French Theater class.

Additional Pedagogical and Professional Development Training

Fall 2020: Completed online courses through the Fox Valley Technical College: “Adjunct Training” parts 2, 3 and 4, as well as “Teaching Online, Virtual and Hybrid”.

Spring 2012: Vista Higher Learning® workshop (Fox Valley Technical College): A representative of the company demonstrated different aspects of the online material (workbooks, e-textbooks and lab manuals) to be used for online classes.

Fall 2012: Rosetta Stone® workshop (Fox Valley Technical College): A representative of the company demonstrated how to best use the components of the Rosetta Stone® program in a university online course.

Internet Qualification Series course (Fox Valley Technical College): took an online class to learn about methods and pedagogies for teaching online classes.

Fall 2010: Compressed Video training (UW Fond du Lac)

Desire To Learn Workshop (course management software) (UW Oshkosh)

Fall 2008: MAFFL 700, Graduate course in Language Teaching Methods (UWM)

Language Skills

French: Native speaker

Italian: Fluent

English: Near Native (TOEFL 127/130)

Spanish: Proficient