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PROFILE SUMMARY

Experienced educator and researcher with 18 years of teaching experience, including five years in online education. Expertise in curriculum development, teacher mentorship, and innovative instructional methodologies. Specializes in equity-driven education, culturally responsive pedagogy, and integrating emerging technologies, such as Virtual Reality (VR), to enhance student learning. Proven ability to bridge research and practice through collaborative partnerships in diverse educational settings. Dedicated to advancing educational equity, fostering sustainable school-university collaborations, and mentoring pre-service and in-service educators.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Instructional Leadership
- Curriculum Development
- Teacher Mentorship
- Educational Technology
- Culturally Responsive Teaching
- Online & Hybrid Learning
- Faculty Development
- Equity-Focused Instruction
- School Partnerships
- Research & Grant Writing
- Program Development
- Student Engagement
- Learning Assessment
- Professional Learning
- Educational Innovation

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Florida Virtual School – Orlando, FL**
Instructor, Social Studies Department

May 2020 – Present

 - Redesigns AP World History curriculum, ensuring alignment with College Board standards.
 - Develops instructional resources supporting AP curriculum updates and student success.
 - Designs and delivers faculty training on AI, Gamification, and instructional innovation.
 - Leads Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) to enhance educator effectiveness and retention.
 - Mentors new faculty, improving instructional delivery and student engagement strategies.
- Utah Valley University – Orem, UT**
Professional Development Designer

Jan 2024 – Feb 2025

 - Developed a self-paced, three-week VR integration course for humanities instructors.
 - Conducted research on faculty perceptions and readiness for VR-based instruction.
 - Designed faculty training programs to support digital transformation in teaching.
 - Collaborated with university stakeholders to enhance professional learning initiatives.
 - Created instructional materials to support immersive and interactive learning experiences.
- Hialeah Gardens High School – Hialeah Gardens, FL**
Educator, Social Studies Department

Aug 2008 – Sep 2019

 - Designed and delivered research-based, student-centered instruction aligned with state standards.
 - Developed culturally responsive curriculum to support diverse student populations.
 - Led teacher training sessions to improve instructional strategies and student outcomes.
 - Integrated technology-driven learning approaches, enhancing student engagement and achievement.
 - Mentored pre-service and in-service teachers in instructional best practices.
- College Board – Salt Lake City, UT**
AP World History Experienced Scorer

June 2012 – June 2018

 - Evaluated free-response sections of the AP World History exam.
 - Participated in national training sessions to maintain scoring proficiency.
 - Collaborated with expert educators to standardize assessment practices.
 - Applied AP scoring insights to improve instructional practices in history courses.
 - Provided feedback to enhance student performance on AP assessments.

Hialeah Gardens High School – Hialeah Gardens, FL**Aug 2012 – Aug 2013****Academic Coordinator**

- Led faculty development initiatives, aligning instructional strategies with career-focused curricula.
- Designed and facilitated industry-aligned training for educators in collaboration with NAF.
- Strengthened school-business partnerships to provide applied learning opportunities.
- Implemented professional development programs to enhance teacher effectiveness.
- Secured Distinguished Level recognition for the school through academic leadership.

Hialeah Gardens High School – Hialeah Gardens, FL**Aug 2011 – Aug 2012****Academy of Hospitality and Tourism Coordinator**

- Developed interdisciplinary curriculum aligning business and hospitality principles with instruction.
- Established industry-education collaborations to enhance experiential learning opportunities.
- Trained faculty in NAF and CTE instructional best practices to improve engagement.
- Led faculty workshops to integrate workforce-aligned instructional strategies.
- Assisted educators in implementing project-based learning models for career readiness.

Children's Center for Development and Behavior – Weston, FL**Dec 1998 – Dec 2000****Behavior Therapist**

- Developed training programs to mentor new therapists in behavioral intervention strategies.
- Designed instructional resources to support children with autism in skill development.
- Led parent education workshops, increasing confidence in home-based intervention strategies.
- Collaborated with interdisciplinary teams to tailor individualized learning plans.
- Utilized research-based methodologies to enhance therapy effectiveness.

EDUCATION**Ed.D.****2025****University of Miami – Applied Learning Sciences****M.S. Ed****2020****Florida International University – Curriculum and Instruction****B.A.****1998****Florida International University – Psychology****CERTIFICATIONS**

- Social Studies 6-12
- Elementary Education K-6
- Gifted Education K-12

TECHNICAL TOOLS

- MS Office Suite, Google Suite, CoPilot
- ChatGPT, Virtual Reality (VR), Podcasting
- Smart Board, Promethean Board, HTML
- Zoom, SharePoint, Canva
- Canvas, Blackboard, Educator
- VSA, ADDIE, Backward Design
- UDL, Articulate 360, Adobe
- Snagit, Camtasia, Screencast-O-Matic

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- AI-Powered Instructional Design Professional, 2025
- Member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
- FLVS McGovern Schoolhouse Teacher of the Year, 2023
- Education Fund Grant Recipient, 2010
- Rookie Teacher of the Year, 2008-2009