

Curriculum vitae

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Education:

M.F.A, Poetry; Oregon State University, 2013
B.S., English, Music Minor, Northwestern College, 1998

Academic Appointments:

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Oregon State University (OSU), 2011-2013: Served as the instructor of record for introductory undergraduate courses in composition and poetry writing in conjunction with full-time, graduate-level study of creative writing.

English Teacher, Colorado Springs School District #11, 2003-2011: Planned and taught courses in writing and literature across grade levels (8-12) and academic tracks (Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Traditional); sat on building and district-wide curriculum development committees.

Professional Experience:

Social Media Assistant, Tavern Books; July, 2013-present: Work with the Managing Editor to streamline Twitter and Facebook feeds that promote the publishing work of a nonprofit poetry press and serve as a resource to the literary community. Support and document Tavern events and initiatives online.

Assistant Managing Editor, YesYes Books; July, 2013-present: Coordinate and schedule events for PSYCC City, a reading series that partners with homeless services in cities across the U.S. to benefit homeless and at-risk youth. Receive direction from the Publisher and Managing Editor and follow up with authors and venues to further a nationwide, community-based, online publishing endeavor.

Inventory Generalist, Powell's City of Books; July, 2013-present: Efficiently and accurately assist with the organization and shelving of store inventory. Uphold excellent customer service and merchandising standards.

MFA Program Assistant, Oregon State University, 2012-2013: Organized and promoted author readings and events for the School of Writing, Literature, and Film. Attended to details of venue and hotel bookings, online and print promotion, and reception planning. Assisted with processing of MFA program applications.

Composition Assistant, Oregon State University, 2012-2013: Helped coordinate orientation week and WR 517: Teaching Practicum on English Composition for new Graduate Teaching Assistants. Presented lessons to fellow graduate students and assisted the Director of Writing with the planning and training process, as well as with observation and mentoring throughout the year.

Poetry Out Loud Coach and Workshop Presenter, Colorado Poetry Out Loud, 2008-2011: Worked with Colorado Creative Industries to promote Poetry

Out Loud in workshop format, demonstrating to Colorado high school teachers how to develop a school-level program.

Poetry Out Loud Coordinator, William J. Palmer High School, 2008-2011:

Organized annual Poetry Out Loud school-wide contests, coaching two consecutive school winners to Colorado state championship and national competition in Washington D.C.

Research and Professional Development:

E-campus Faculty Forum, Oregon State University, Spring, 2013
Colorado Writing Project, Summer, 2010

Honors, Grants, and Awards:

Boettcher Foundation Teacher Recognition Award, 2011

Publications

Poems:

Fat City Review, "Awake at 5AM" February, 2013

August 6, 2013