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# Jennifer Mathis

**Education** 1995 - 1999 University of Southern California Los Angeles, CA  
**BA in English, emphasis in Creative Writing, Minor in Education**  
● Junior Year Abroad 1997-1998 – University of Kent at Canterbury, UK  
2009-2011 California State University, Long Beach  
**Masters in Educational Administration**

**Accreditations** California Professional Clear Single Subject English Credential, Cross cultural,  
Language & Academic Development Emphasis, (CLAD) Document #050057421

**Additional Professional Development and Leadership Positions**

- ELD Department Chair, 2006 – 2016
- Site Based Decision Making Council (SBDMC) 2012 – present
  - SBDMC Vice Chair 2014-2016
- PLC (Professional Learning Community) Member 2006 to 2016
- District English Language Arts Curriculum Selection Committee 2015-16
- Master Teacher Spring 2010, Fall 2010 Fall 2014
- Thinking Map Training
- Common Core State Standards training
- *Write From the Beginning and Beyond* Training
- Wilson HS 9<sup>th</sup> grade team curricular development
- ELA Department Chair Summer Institute 2013
- CAHSEE (California High School Exit Exam) ELD Preparation
- ELD Highpoint extension materials
- Career Zones, Linked Learning Lesson Plan Development
- Essential Elements of Instruction Training
- University of California, Irvine Extension – Novel Writing series 2005-2006
- University of California, Irvine Extension Screenwriting Certificate – 2006

**Languages** Semi-fluent in Spanish

**Teaching Experiences**

- Wilson High School, Long Beach Unified School District, 2002 – current
  - Senior Portfolio, College Composition (regular and ELL)
  - English Language Development (ELD) Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4.
  - Grade 11 English (English 5/6)
  - Grade 10 English (English 3/4)
  - Grade 9 English (English 1/2) (College Preparatory and Accelerated )
  - Reading Development, Literature Workshop 1 and 2
  - California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Preparation, ELL
  - Creative Writing ½ and ¾

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|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Film Analysis</li> </ul>  |
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Rogers Middle School, Long Beach Unified School District, 2000 – 2002 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Grade 8 Accelerated English</li> <li>● Grade 8 POWER English Magnet Program</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Valley High School, Santa Ana Unified School District, 1999-2000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● English, Grades 9, 10, and 12</li> <li>● Transitional English (English Language Learners) 9, 10, 12</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |
| <b>Student Teaching</b>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Westchester High School, Los Angeles, CA English 9 1998</li> <li>● Rosemont Middle School, Glendale, CA English 8, GATE 1999</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Community and Volunteer Activities</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Long Beach Chorale and Chamber Orchestra – 2012 - current</li> <li>● Long Beach Chamber Singers 2008 - 2013</li> <li>● Saint Gregory's Chancel Choir 2008 – current</li> <li>● President – Westminster Chorale - 2004 – 2006</li> <li>● Librarian – Westminster Chorale - 2002-2004</li> <li>● NaNoWriMo – National Novel Writing Month Participant – 2002 – 2013</li> <li>● Municipal Liaison – Los Angeles/Long Beach 2005 - 2007</li> <li>● Script Frenzy – Municipal Liaison – Los Angeles/Long Beach 2007 - 2008</li> <li>● Girl Scouts – 12 years of service</li> <li>● International Order of the Rainbow for Girls – Grand Executive Committee Member and California Flag Bearer in California 1995-1996</li> </ul> |
| <b>Awards received</b>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● T. S. Eliot Poetry Prize, 1998 University of Kent at Canterbury</li> <li>● UCI Rainbow Diversity Festival 1994, First Place, Poetry</li> <li>● Garden Grove High School Creative Writing Contest First Place in Poetry, Short Fiction, and Reflective Essay, 1995</li> <li>● Girl Scout Gold and Silver Awards 1995, 1991</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Publications</b>                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <i>Dead Oak</i> – A young adult mystery adventure novel – 2015</li> <li>● <i>Dead Oak: Abducted</i> – 2016</li> </ul>   |