

Lesley Newman
English Language Educator
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Objective

Leadership in English language education that focuses on developing progressive curricula, community building, student advocacy, and grassroots' language planning

Expertise

Classroom teacher and teacher trainer; creative course and syllabus design; curriculum design; technology in the language classroom

Professional Experience

English Language Teaching professional, January 2003 to present

- Teaching university classes and leading a research seminar for lecturers
- Conducting workshops for university lecturers and secondary teachers throughout Vietnam

College of Foreign Languages, Danang, Vietnam, 2012-present

- Conducted workshops and observed classes
Autonomous University of Oaxaca (UABJO), 2012

- Taught in intensive English programs
University of Arizona (CESL) and Pima Community College, 2009-2011

- Trained teachers online and in traditional classrooms
Center for English as a Second Language (CESL) and through US AID's Project SEED, Tucson, Arizona, 2010-2011

- Developed curricula and taught in community programs
New York, NY and Tucson, Arizona, 2006-2009

- Taught English and trained English teachers
United States Peace Corps, Dominican Republic, 2004-2006

- Tutored individual students
Tucson, Arizona, and Harrisonburg, VA, 2008-2009 and 2003

Recruitment and Marketing

US Peace Corps Campus Recruiter

- Marketed to and recruited targeted groups of Peace Corps applicants
- Interviewed and advised prospective applicants to place them in a program suited to their goals
- Managed budget and quarterly reports for the office
- Attained regional status as a top recruiting office in 2008 and 2009

University of Arizona, October 2007-June 2009

Experience Abroad

- Participating as an English Language Fellow, Danang, Vietnam, 2012-present
- Collaborated with professors at the UABJO, Oaxaca, Mexico, 2012
- Trained teachers and taught courses, Dominican Republic, 2004-2006
- Translated for medial missions in the Dominican Republic, 2004-2006
- Studied abroad in Lismore, Australia, 2002

Education

International Diploma in Language Teaching Management. Cambridge/ University of Queensland/ University of Danang. *in progress*.

Master's of Arts in English Language/ Linguistics, May 2009 (University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ)

Bachelor's of Arts in English, with a minor in Spanish, May 2003 (James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA)

Presentations and Awards

“Using student-centered techniques in Vietnam.” Department of Education and Training, Dong Thap, Vietnam. May 2013.

“Using student-centered techniques in Vietnam.” Bạc Liêu University. Bạc Liêu, Vietnam. May 2013.

“Using student-centered techniques in Vietnam.” People’s Police College. Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. May 2013.

“Incorporating writing skills into a communicative curriculum.” An Giang University and An Giang Department of Education. Long Xuyen, Vietnam. May 2013.

“Using a task-based syllabus to create a class website.” Department of Education and Training, Dalat, Vietnam. April 2013.

“Integrating critical thinking skills.” University of Nha Trang, Nha Trang Teachers’ College, University of Dalat, Ministry of Education. Nha Trang and Dalat, Vietnam. April 2013.

“Effective group work: Lessons from Thailand and Vietnam.” Co-presented with J.Peterson. University of Macau Common Core Conference. January 2013.

“Project-based approach to understanding the US.” American Studies Conference presentation, Hue, Vietnam. December 2012.

“Using student-centered techniques.” SEAMEO, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. October 2012.

English Language Fellowship, Danang, Vietnam, 2012-2013

Fulbright Garcia-Robles Grantee, COMEXUS, Oaxaca City, Mexico. 2012

“Integrating critical thinking skills in a communicative classroom.” North Carolina TESOL/ TALGS Conference presentation. North Carolina, USA. March 2010.

“Reliability and validity in computer-based writing assessment.” National TESOL, Denver, Colorado. March 2009.

“Reliable and valid writing assessment.” Arizona TESOL, Arizona, USA. October 2008.

Peace Corps Fellow award, University of Arizona, 2007-2009

Leadership Experience

English Language and Linguistics Student Association, President 2008 to 2009

English Language and Linguistics Student Association, Vice-President 2007 to 2008

International YMCA trip leader, Dominican Republic, 2007

International Service Learning leader; El Salvador; 2003

Community Involvement

English Club volunteer, US-Vietnam Studies Corner, Danang, Vietnam, 2012-2013

Southside Worker Center volunteer, Tucson, AZ, USA, 2008-2011

Pima Community College volunteer tutor, Tucson, AZ, USA, 2009-2010

Columbia University Job Education and Empowerment Program volunteer ESL teacher, New York, NY, USA, 2006-2007

Languages

Bilingual English/ Spanish

Elementary Vietnamese