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EDUCATION

M.Ed.	University of Texas , Austin, TX Curriculum and Instruction	December 2011
B.A.	Wake Forest University , Winston-Salem, NC Major - Elementary Education, Minor - Psychology	May 2001

HONORS & AWARDS

Teacher of the Year District Semi-finalist Austin Independent School District, Austin, TX	May 2010
National Board for Professional Teaching Standards National Board Certified Teacher, Grades 4-8	November 2008
Marcellus Waddill Excellence in Teaching Award Wake Forest University Award of \$20,000	March 2008

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University Level

Adjunct Lecturer <i>Language Arts Methods</i> University of Texas at Austin, Department of Curriculum and Instruction	Spring 2014, Fall 2015
Co-Instructor <i>Heart of Texas Writing Project Invitational Summer Institute</i> University of Texas at Austin, Department of Curriculum and Instruction	Summers 2012, 2013

K-6

English Language Learners Coordinator	2014-2015
Parent Support Specialist	
Language Arts Curriculum Development Coordinator	2013-2015
Interventionist Teacher, K-6	
Teacher- Grade 4/5	2011-2013
Austin Discovery School, A Public Charter School, Austin, TX	
Parent Support Specialist	2010-2011
Teacher-Bilingual 4th Grade	2008-2010
Becker Elementary School, Austin ISD, Austin, TX	
Teacher-Bilingual 4th Grade	2006-2008
St. Elmo Elementary, Austin ISD, Austin, Texas	
Teacher-English Immersion 1st Grade	2003-2006
Lincoln School, a Private Bilingual American International School Buenos Aires, Argentina	

Teacher-1st Grade 2001-2003
Oakton Elementary School, Fairfax County Public Schools, Oakton, Virginia

CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

Co-Director, Heart of Texas Writing Project 2016-present
University of Texas at Austin

- Providing on-site Austin Area professional development to K-12 teachers in the implementation of writing workshop
- Designing and leading Professional Development workshops for area teachers

Teacher Consultant 2007-present
University of Texas at Austin and Austin Area Schools

District-Wide K-6 English Language Arts Teachers July 2016-present
Bastrop ISD, Bastrop, TX

- Training and modeling lessons for all K-6 ELA and SLA teachers, including summer institutes and follow-up, in-class support during the year

Middle School Dual Language Teachers August 2017
Austin ISD, Austin, TX

- 3-day training conducted in Spanish on Writing Workshop and Writing in the Content areas for Spanish Language Arts, Spanish Foreign Language, and DL Content area teachers

Primary Bilingual Teacher Writing Workshop Institute July 2014, 2015
Manor ISD, Manor, TX

- Week long intensive institute on Writing Workshop for Bilingual PreK-2 teachers

Primary Literacy Collaborative June 2011
Round Rock ISD, Round Rock, TX

- 2-week intensive institute on Writing Workshop for PreK-1 teachers
- Coached teachers in field experience in implementing Writing Workshop

English Language Learner Writers Winter 2010-2011
Berkman Elementary, Round Rock ISD, Round Rock, TX

- Trained teachers in the development of Writing Workshop and authentic assessment of ELLs' writing
- Demonstrated lessons with students in 3rd and 4th grade bilingual classrooms

PUBLICATIONS

Rami, Meenoo. Thrive: 5 Ways to (Re) Invigorate your Teaching, Heinemann, March 2014, excerpt entitled *From Academically Unacceptable to Exemplary*

Garcia, Antero. Teaching in the Connected Learning Classroom, Digital Media and Learning Research Hub, February 2014, excerpt entitled *Lights, Camera, Social Action!*

Local and National Programs Nurture ELL Teacher-Leaders, National Writing Project, www.nwp.org
February 2011, <http://www.nwp.org/cs/public/print/resource/3484>

Lights, Camera, Social Action! National Writing Project, www.digitalis.nwp.org
October 2010, <http://digitalis.nwp.org/resource/781>

Building Culturally Responsive Units of Study: From Texas to Mexico and Back, National Writing Project
www.nwp.org December 2009, <http://www.nwp.org/cs/public/print/resource/2929>

Meeting a Growing Need: Supporting Teachers of ELLs in Kansas City, www.nwp.org
April 2010, <http://www.nwp.org/cs/public/print/resource/3112>

PRESENTATIONS

Heart of Texas Writing Project Conference, University of Texas at Austin February 2018
Audience for All! The Power of Publication in a Multilingual Writing Classroom
Conference Lead and Keynote speaker, *Culturally Sustaining Teaching Today*

Austin ISD Social Emotional Learning Symposium, Austin, TX June 2017
Writing Workshop in the SEL Classroom

SXSW Edu Conference, Austin, TX March 2016
Panel discussion facilitated by CommonSense Media,
EdTech's Blindspot: Closing the ELL Equity Gap

ELL Conference: Building Community, Working Toward Equity June 2013
Greater Kansas City Writing Project, Kansas City, MO
Keynote speaker, *Teaching for Equity and Excellence: Multilingual Writers and their Audience*

Heart of Texas Writing Project Workshop, University of Texas at Austin October 2011, 2012, 2017
Getting Writing Workshop Going Strong
Keynote speaker and Coach for Presenters

The Components of Writing Workshop, Austin Discovery School August 2012
K-6 Professional Development

Digital Media and Learning Conference, San Francisco, CA March 2012
Panel Discussion facilitated by Howard Rheingold
Digital Innovation and Equity in Schools

Rural Sites Network Conference, Little Rock, AK March 2011
A National Writing Project Conference
Transforming ELLs' Writing through Family and Community Involvement

National Writing Project Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL November 2010
Co-presented with author JoBeth Allen
Inviting Families into Literacy Partnerships

National Writing Project Annual Meeting , Orlando, FL <i>Courageous Conversations: Meeting Needs of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students in Rural Classrooms</i>	November 2010
Heart of Texas Writing Project Inservice Institute , UT Austin <i>Spotlight on Multilingual Students</i>	July 2010
Bilingual, Immigrant, and Refugee Education Conference , Omaha, NE A Council of the Great City Schools Conference <i>Ensuring ELLs Equal Access to Curriculum</i>	May 2010
Urban Sites Network Conference , Portland, OR A National Writing Project Conference <i>Cultivating Community Partnerships through Celebrations of Student Writing</i>	April 2010
National Writing Project Annual Meeting , Philadelphia, PA <i>Pinpointing Promise: Looking Closely at the Writing of ELLs</i>	November 2009
Pflugerville Diversity Conference , Pflugerville, TX <i>Borderlands/La Frontera Literature Study: Engaging K-12 students with Racism, Community, and Local Issues</i>	August 2009
National Writing Project Spring Meeting , Washington, DC <i>Culturally Responsive Literacy Practice</i>	March 2009
National Writing Project Annual Meeting , San Antonio, TX <i>Culturally Relevant Teaching</i>	November 2008
Urban Sites Network Conference , Denver, CO <i>Social Action and Advocacy for ELLs</i>	April 2008

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

Austin Social Justice Teacher Inquiry Group Member and Presenter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaging with Austin area teachers in the study of teaching for social justice Presenting classroom practices and units of study to Austin area teachers 	2009-2013
National Writing Project ELL Network Leadership Team Member of a National team of 9 teachers of English Language Learners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed grant proposals and selected grant recipients for funds to support professional development for teachers of English Language Learners across the United States Organized national conferences and retreats for teachers of English Language Learners Reviewed and organized resources for teachers of English Language Learners to access on www.nwp.org 	2009-2011
Selection Committee for Marcellus Waddill Excellence in Teaching Award Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed portfolios and videos of teachers applying for teach award 	2009

- Worked together with Wake Forest University professors, including Dr. Patricia Cunningham, to select award recipient

CERTIFICATIONS

National Board Professional Teaching Certification, Middle Childhood

Texas Generalist Certified Teacher, EC-6

Texas Bilingual Certified Teacher, EC-8

Texas Special Education Certified Teacher, EC-12

SKILLS

Spanish fluency and literacy

American Sign Language proficiency

Educational Technology: advanced skills in the integration of digital media use in the Elementary Curriculum