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Education

Education	
Teachers College of Columbia University Master of Arts in Health and Behavior Studies Concentration: Teaching American Sign Language as a Foreign Language	2012 – 2014
University of South Florida Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Sciences and Disorders Concentration: Interpreter Training Track	2006 – 2011
University of South Florida Bachelor of Arts in Art History	2006 – 2011
Teaching Experience	
University of South Florida: <i>Instructor Level II</i> Interpreter Training Track American Sign Language (All levels)	2015 – Present
University of South Florida: <i>Adjunct Instructor</i> American Sign Language (Level 2)	2014 – 2015
York Preparatory School: <i>Cooperating Teacher</i> American Sign Language (Levels 1-3) Curriculum Development	2013 – 2014
ASL/Interpretation Mentoring Services: <i>Lead Interpreter</i> Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment preparation National Interpreter Certification preparation Mock interpreting assignments for skill enhancement	2012 – Present
University of South Florida - Tutoring and Learning Center: <i>Tutor</i> American Sign Language (Levels 1 & 2)	Spring 2011
Interpreting Experience	
University of South Florida – Hands-On USF University of South Florida – SDS Office Interpreter Sorenson Communications Purple Communications Pasco County School System Interpreter VRS Interpreting Institute – Sorenson Communications University of South Florida – Hands-On USF University of South Florida - Audiology Clinic	2014 – Present 2014 – 2015 2012 – 2015 2012 Spring 2012 Summer 2011 2010 – 2011 Summer 2010

University and Professional Service

CSD Faculty Education on Anti-Racism	Committee Chair	2020 - Present
Instructor Search Committee: ITT/ASL Line	Committee Member	Summer 2019
Residential Education: Faculty Fellow	Faculty Partner	2019 – Present
ASL Living Learning Community	Faculty Partner Chair	2019 - 2020
WASLI Conference: Paris, France	Staff Volunteer	Summer 2019
ASL Day for High School Students	Organizer	Spring 2019
USF Emergency Call Center	Faculty Volunteer	2019 – Present
General Education Council	Committee Member	2018 – Present
It's a Deaf Thing! Event	Representative	Fall 2018
Dollhouse Shadow Interpreted Performance	Faculty Partner	Fall 2018
Instructor Search Committee: ITT/ASL Line	Committee Member	2018 - 2019
Faculty/Instructor Evaluation Committee	Committee Member	2018 - 2019
Deaf Studies Curriculum Committee	Committee Member	2017 – Present
Instructor Search Committee: Deaf Studies Line	Committee Chair	2017 - 2018
Florida Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf	Membership Chair	2017 - 2018
Instructor Search Committee: ASL Line	Committee Member	Summer 2017
Faces of the Future Event	Co-Coordinator	Spring 2017
Instructor Search Committee: ASL Line	Committee Member	Summer 2016
ASL Living Learning Community	Faculty Partner Chair	2016 - 2018
Faces of the Future Event	Coordinator	Spring 2016
Hands-On USF	Interpreter	2015 – Present
ASL Bulls Organization	Faculty Advisor	2015 - 2019
ASL Living Learning Community	Committee Member	Fall 2015
Interpreter Training Track Curriculum Committee	Committee Member	2015 – Present

Presentations

"Deaf and Hearing Collaboration in Interpreter Training"	WASLI – Paris, FR	Summer 2019
"Preparing for the E.I.P.A"	USF – Tampa, FL	Annually
"Working with Interpreters for the Deaf"	Various – Belize City, BZ	Spring 2019
"Interpreting in Various Settings"	USF – Tampa, FL	Summer 2018
"Basic ASL for Signers of LIS"	I.S.S.R. – Rome, Italy	Summer 2017
"Preparing for the E.I.P.A"	M.E.R.G.E. – Tampa, FL	Fall 2016
"Proficiency through Games"	FASLTA Conference – Tampa, FL	Fall 2016
"Supporting the Belizean Local Deaf Community"	San Pedro Jr. College – Belize City	Spring 2016

Academic Travel

Study Abroad: Community Support: Belize	Faculty Support	Spring 2019
Language/Culture Immersion Travel: Washington D.C.	Faculty Sponsor	Fall 2018
Study Abroad: Linguistic Immersion: Switzerland	Faculty Support	Summer 2018
Study Abroad: Community Support: Belize	Faculty Support/Interpreter	Spring 2018
Language/Culture Immersion Travel: Washington D.C.	Faculty Sponsor	Fall 2017
Study Abroad: Community Support: Italy	Faculty Support	Summer 2017
Study Abroad: Community Support: Belize	Faculty Support	Spring 2017
Language/Culture Immersion Travel: Washington D.C.	Faculty Sponsor	Spring 2016

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Advising

"Stress and Burnout in Interpreter Training Students" by Sarah Serralta	Committee Chair	Fall 2017
"Rhetorical Analysis of American Sign Language" by Brandon Schefstad	Committee Member	Fall 2016
"Cultural Misunderstandings of the American Deaf Community"	Committee Member	2015 - 2016
by Rachel Schwartz		
"Cultural Misunderstandings of the American Deaf Community"	Committee Member	2015 - 2016
by Kyle Jarnagin		

Courses Taught

Transliteration	Beginning ASL	Senior Seminar
Translation English/ASL	Structure of ASL	Deaf Culture
Advanced ASL Discourse	Interpreting 1	Culture & Diversity in CSD
Specialized Terminology	Interpreting 2	Lang & Cognitive Skills in ASL
Intermediate ASL	Interpreting 3	Methods of Teaching ASL

Professional Organization Affiliation

World Association of Sign Language Interpreters	2018 – Present
Florida Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf	2015 – Present
Conference of Interpreter Trainers	2014 – Present
Florida Association of Sign Language Teachers Association	2014 - 2016
Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf	2010 – Present

Certification

2018 - 2022	Mental Health First Aid Certification	National Council for Behavioral Health
2016	Online Instructor Certification	University of South Florida
2011	National Interpreter Certification	Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf
2011	Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment	Boys Town

Professional Development and Training

Office of Multicultural Affairs	2020
Students with Disabilities Office	2020
USF Triumph Over Trafficking Org.	2020
Undergraduate Course at USF	2019
USF Controller's Office	2019
USF Police Department	2019
World Assoc. of Sign Language Interpreters	2019
OMA of USF	2019
ATLE of USF	2019
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Silent Weekend	2017
ATLE of USF and UCF	2017
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University of South Florida	2016
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Designing Effective Online Educational Programs	University of Northern Colorado	2016
Summer Teaching Symposium (STS): Flip It	ATLE of USF	2016
Interpreter Training Conference	Conference of Interpreter Trainers	2016
Service Learning: Using High Impact Practices Workshop	ATLE of USF	2016
Brain Based Learning Workshop	ATLE of USF	2016