

EDUCATION

MA in Bicultural Bilingual Studies
With a concentration in English as a Second Language
University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas, USA
January 1996 to May 1997

BS in Elementary Education, Early Childhood Specialization
Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas, USA
June 1984 to May 1987

CERTIFICATIONS:

Principalship Certification
Concordia University, San Antonio, Texas, USA
September 2007 to May 2009

Brain-Based Trainer Certification
Jensen Learning Corporation, San Diego, California
June 2004 to January 2006

AREAS OF STRENGTH

- Creating and Presenting Professional Development
- Current Research in Bilingual Education and Dual Language
- Current Research in Brain-Based Teaching and Learning
- Working with Campus and District Leaders in the implementation of new programs
- Working with principals in planning staff development for their campuses
- Working with district and campus leaders on accountability and assessment system
- First Language: Spanish (proficient in speaking, reading and writing)
- Second Language: English (proficient in speaking, reading and writing)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director of English Language Learner Programs, North East ISD, San Antonio, TX
May 2013 – Present

- Assist principals in data analysis to maximize student achievement.
- Assist principals in the planning and development of staff development for campuses
- Assist classroom teachers in the implementation of best practices.
- Developing Department Improvement Plan.
- Leading the district-wide implementation and restructuring of the Dual Language Program.
- Restructuring and monitoring the ESL Content Based Model at the secondary level.
- Training district administrators and leaders in the Dual Language Program.

- Planning and development of trainings in best practices for English Language Learners for teachers and administrators.
- Responsible for managing and overseeing federal and state funds.

Bilingual and Gifted/Talented District Coordinator, Harlandale ISD, San Antonio, TX
July 2008 – May 2013

- Assist principals in data analysis to maximize student achievement.
- Assist principals in the planning and development of staff development for campuses
- Assist classroom teachers in the implementation of best practices.
- Model lessons for teachers in their classrooms.
- Planning and development of training for the new state assessment and accountability system STAAR.
- Developing Department Improvement Plans.
- Leading the district-wide implementation of the Dual Language Program.
- Leading the implementation of the new Gifted and Talented Program at the elementary and secondary level.
- Restructuring and monitoring the Language Maintenance program at the elementary level.
- Restructuring and monitoring the ESL Content Based Model at the secondary level.
- Training district administrators and leaders in the Dual Language Program.
- Planning and development of trainings in best practices for English Language Learners for teachers and administrators.
- Development of Brain-based trainings for elementary and secondary teachers.
- Responsible for managing and overseeing federal and state funds.

Adjunct Trainer, Region 20, Education Service Center
2008 to present

- Brain-Based workshops
- ELPS (English Language Proficiency Standards) Academies.
- SIOP

Adjunct Instructor, Texas A & M University, San Antonio, TX
Fall 2011 to Fall 2017

- Courses: “Survey of Bilingual Education” and “Applied Linguistics”

Adjunct Instructor, University of Texas at San Antonio, TX
Fall 2012, Spring 2013

- Course taught: Approaches to Second Language Teaching

Adjunct Instructor, Palo Alto Community College, San Antonio, TX
Spring 2011, Spring 2012

- Courses taught: “Introduction to the Teaching Profession” & “Introduction to Special Populations”

Adjunct Instructor, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, TX
Fall 2009, Spring 2011

- Courses taught: “Reading and Language Arts: Bilingual” and “Early Childhood Assessment”

5th grade Bilingual Teacher, Esparza Elementary, Northside ISD

July 1997 – June 2008

- Assisted with the writing of bilingual curriculum.
- Developed curriculum for the “dual language” program.
- Developed Spanish science curriculum for Texas Education Agency.
- Conducted Trainer of Trainers’ workshops for the Spanish Science Curriculum.
- Served on several committees for textbook adoptions.
- Assisted campus’ principal in designing a staff development plan
- Responsible for new teachers’ mentoring program at the campus level.
- Responsible for the new teacher staff development at the campus level.
- Served as the summer school coordinator for three consecutive years (June 2003, June 2004 and June 2006).

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

“Science in the Bilingual-Spanish Classroom” (TEA)
“Brain-Based Strategies in the Science Classroom”
“Brain-Based Strategies in the Math Classroom”
“Brain-Based Strategies for Classroom Management”
“Brain-Based Strategies in the Social Studies Classroom”
“Memory and Mind Games”
“Music for the Non-Musical Teacher”
“The Brain Compatible Classroom”
“Let’s get Physical, for all the Right Reasons”
“Cooperative Learning for Second Language Learners”
“The teenage Brain; Dealing with Depression and Substance Abuse”
“ELPS Academy” (TEA)
“La Lecto-Escritura en el Salón Bilingüe”
“Engaging ALL Students for Success”
“SIOP”

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Texas Association for Bilingual Education
Alamo Area Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

GRANT EXPERIENCE

Managing Title III funds, 2008 to present
Managing Limited English Proficient Student Success Initiative Grant, 2011-2013