**Carmen Y. Torres**

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**Education**

**Our Lady of the Lake University,** San Antonio, Texas, May 2011 **Master of Arts in English Language and Literature**

*Related English Coursework*: Scholarship in English

Dark Romanticism

Arthurian Literature

Language in Society

**Our Lady of the Lake University,** San Antonio, Texas, December 2002

**Bachelor of Arts in History** *with a minor in English*

*Related History Coursework*: History of the Constitution

History of Texas

History of World War II and the Cold War

*Related English Coursework*: Creative Writing

Advanced Written Communication

**Academic Appointments**

**Texas A&M University-San Antonio**

Lecturer of English Faculty, Department of English. August 2023-Present

Instructor of Record for English Composition courses, (1 and 2). Provided instruction in a traditional, (face to face,) and non-traditional, (online,) college classroom setting to College and Dual Credit/ Early College High Students.

Undergraduate Courses Taught:

ENGL 1301 Composition I

ENGL 1302 Composition II

ENGL 2311 Technical Writing

**Palo Alto College, San Antonio, Texas**

Instructor of English, Department of English, Communications, World Languages and INRW. August 2019-July 2023

Instructor of Record for English Composition courses, (1 and 2), as well as various literature courses, (British Literature 1 and 2, World Literature 1, and American Literature 2). Provided instruction in a traditional, (face to face,) and non-traditional, (online,) college classroom setting to College and Dual Credit/ Early College High Students.

Undergraduate Courses Taught:

INRW 0420 Integrated Reading/Writing

INRW 0055 Integrated Reading/Writing Refresher

ENGL 1301 Composition I

ENGL 1302 Composition II

ENGL 2322 British Literature I

ENGL 2323 British Literature II

ENGL 2333 World Literature II

ENGL 2327 American Literature II

**University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, Texas**

Part-time Lecturer of English, Department of English January 2018-May 2019

Instructor of Record for English Composition Courses, (1 and 2). Provided instruction to college students in a traditional face to face college classroom setting.

Undergraduate Courses Taught:

ENGL 1311 Composition I

ENGL 1312 Composition II

**Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas**  Adjunct English Lecturer, Department of English, Mass Communication and Drama August 2015- May 2018

Instructor of Record for English Composition Courses, (1 and 2). Provided instruction to college students in a traditional face to face college classroom setting.

Undergraduate Courses Taught:

ENGL 1313 Composition I

ENGL 1314 Composition II

**Northwest Vista College, San Antonio, Texas**

Adjunct English Professor, English and INRW October 2015-May 2017

Instructor of Record for English Composition courses, (1 and 2). Provided instruction to college students in a traditional, (face to face,) and non-traditional, (online,) college setting.

Undergraduate Courses Taught:

ENGL 1301 Composition I

ENGL 1302 Composition II

**Leadership Experience And Affiliations**

**Texas A&M University-San Antonio** San Antonio, TX

**First-Year Composition Committee** January 2023-Present

Active member of a committee that focuses on creating and modifying FYC curriculum.

This committee reevaluates and modifies program requirements to ensure students educational

needs are met.

**Palo Alto College** San Antonio, TX

**Faculty Student Mentor Lead**

As Lead of the Faculty Student Mentoring Program, I heavily promoted and recruited August 2020-August 2021

Faculty to serve as Mentors for the program. As a Mentor, I actively recruited student

mentees for FSM, by promoting the program in my courses and throughout campus.

My promotion of the program provided an awareness of how Faculty Student Mentoring

could aid in the transition within college life and reviewed the multitude of resources that

the college offered for the students.

**Committee Member Appointments**

Curriculum Committee  
Attended and contributed to meetings that focused on removing and adding courses and August 2022-May 2023 programs to the college catalog.

Distance Learning Committee  
Attended and contributed to meetings that focused on broadening Online Education August 2022-May 2023 Resources for Palo Alto College Students.

Technology Committee  
Attended and contributed to meetings that focused on the removal and replacement August 2022-May 2023 of technological materials throughout the college.

English Composition Committee August 2017-May 2018

Attended and contributed to meetings that focused on improving and refining 1301 curriculum.

Academic Assessment Committee August 2019-May 2021

Attended and contributed to meetings to create and modify curriculum to assess student learning.

English Department Chair Hiring Committee March 2020-May 2020

Assisted in reviewing applications, interviewing candidates, and ultimately selecting the current

Department Chair for the English Department.

English Co-Requisite Committee February 2021-May 2021

Provided feedback for best practices in a co-requisite classroom. Conducted a

Literature Review of co-requisite essays to provide feedback and guidance to the

English Department for the coming academic year.

English Composition II Committee February 2021May 2023

Reviewed major essay assignments of local four-year institutions to gauge what would be expected

upon transfer from the college’s current students. Compiled and provided major assignments from

previous classes to create a Canvas course shell for incoming and current full-time and contingent

faculty to access and utilize.

**Committee Co-Chair**

English Department Faculty Hiring Committee Co-Chair May 2020

Organized and assisted in coordinating the hiring committee. Reviewed applications, interviewed

candidates, and assisted in selecting a Full-time Faculty member for the English department.

**Committee Chair**

Promotion Committee Chair November 2020

Organized and lead the committee. Collectively reviewed and approved the dossier for a fellow

faculty member’s promotion.

English Composition I Textbook Committee Chair February 2021-May 2021

Organized the committee and obtained textbooks from publishers for review. Received

and provided input from the committee to select textbooks to consider for piloting and

ultimately department adoption.

English Department Faculty Hiring Committee Chair May 2021

Organized and coordinated the hiring committee. Reviewed applications, interviewed candidates,

directly communicated with hiring finalists, and assisted in selecting a Full-Time Faculty member for

the English Department.

**Trainings and Skill**

**Professional Development**

**Northwest Vista College** San Antonio, TX

August 2016

Online Teaching Certification

Completed a semester course to obtain Online Teaching Certificate

Certified to teach courses online for Alamo Colleges District

**Palo Alto College** San Antonio, TX

June 2020-2021

Online Educational Resources Certification

Completed two Summer certification courses in Online Educational Resources. Special emphasis

within the courses was placed on how to properly utilize OER in the classroom setting, as well as

proper integration of OER within the Canvas Learning Management System.