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Education

- [Ph.D., Culture, Literacy, and Language - University of Texas at San Antonio](#)
- M.Ed., Education Administration – Lamar University
- M.Ed., Teacher Leadership – Lamar University
- B.A., English Literature – University of Houston
- Principal Certification, EC–12
- Teaching Certifications: English 8–12 | ESL Supplemental

Presentations

- [SERA Southwest Education Research Association Paper Presentation \(2026\)](#)
- [AERA American Education Research Association Roundtable Presenter \(2025\)](#)
- UTSA Roadrunner Experience (2024)
- Texas ASCD Presenter – Racial Literacy (2023)
- Tex TESOL Presenter – Racial Literacy (2022)
- TEKS Resource Conference (2017)
- Writing Across the Curriculum (2013)
- Poetry Scaffolding & EOC Alignment (2012)

Professional Experience

Lecturer of Literacy

Texas A&M San Antonio University

- Teaching 5 undergraduate literacy courses:
- EDRG 3331, EDGR 4349, EDGR 4389, EDGR 4351 courses focuses on elementary and secondary literacy classrooms for preservice teachers

Academic Dean/ Assistant Principal

San Antonio ISD | 2024 – 2026

- Oversee academic program design, implementation, and evolution
- Monitor student performance and coordinate targeted interventions
- Lead campus professional development and collaboration with feeder schools
- Guide department heads and facilitate instructional leadership

District Instructional Coach

Harmony Public Schools | 2022 – 2023

- Led biweekly data-driven coaching cycles
- Modeled high-impact teaching strategies and classroom management
- Supported micro-credential achievement and SLO development
- Designed and delivered PD aligned with Harmony's Instructional Playbook

Director of Literacy

Gonzales ISD | 2021 – 2022

- Developed PK–12 literacy goals and curriculum implementation
- Led STAAR 2.0 redesign training and cognitive coaching
- Oversaw summer school planning and implemented Read 180 interventions

Assistant Principal

Klein ISD, Wunderlich Intermediate | 2019 – 2021

- Conducted TTESS-based evaluations and data-driven instruction planning
- Implemented Reader/Writer Workshop across ELA department
- Led restorative practices and PBIS system updates

Instructional Coach

Hempstead ISD | 2016 – 2019

- Raised 7th and 8th grade STAAR scores by 10–12%
- Participated in TEA's Instructional Material Quality Evaluation
- Managed Read 180, System 44, and STAAR camp initiatives

Principal Intern

Hempstead ISD | 2017 – 2018

- Developed literacy camps for EOC assessments
- Facilitated PD and RTI planning

Testing & Data Coordinator / AP Coordinator

Humble High School, Humble ISD | 2014 – 2015

- Managed testing logistics and data reporting for high mobility and SPED populations
- Tracked EOC results and oversaw TELPAS coordination

English Teacher & Interventionist

Goose Creek CISD | 2005 – 2014

- Taught English I–III and Read 180 with documented growth in Lexile scores
- Led collaborative data-driven instruction and technology integration

Presented Professional Development

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