# PETRA JAKULIN BARUCA

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#### **EDUCATION:**

2010 **M.A.** In English as a Second Language M.A. UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN; Thesis title: Coping Strategies of L2 Writers During the Writing Process: Case Studies of Non-English Dominant Students in Mainstream English Composition Courses

2007 **B.A. In English Language and Geography** B.A. UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR, SLOVENIA

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS:**

## Fall 2018-present Lecturer in English (First Year Composition)

Department of Language, Literature, and Arts, Texas A&M University-San Antonio

#### Responsibilities:

- Teach writing courses in the First-Year Composition Program (FYC)
- Adapt the syllabi and teaching style to meet the FYC goals and commitments
- Meet with students during student-teacher conferences and office hours
- Serve on various committees (First-Year Composition (FYC) committee, Teaching Certification Committee) and performed other services (First year Mentoring Program, Core Curriculum Assessment), participate in college and departmental meetings
- Participate in monthly professional development workshops on topics such as diversity, assessment, and instructional technology
- Promote student participation in FYC program events on campus

# 2016-2018 Adjunct Instructor (First Year Composition)

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Texas A&M University-San Antonio

#### 2014-2015 **ESL** instructor

English as a Second Language Institute, Sacred Heart University

# 2014 ESL tutor- Voluntary work

English as a Second Language Institute, Sacred Heart University

#### 2010-2012 Lecturer in English (First Year Composition)

Department of English, University of Texas Pan-American

#### PROFESSIONAL/TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

### 2009-2010 Teaching Assistant (First Year Composition)

Department of English, University of Texas Pan-American

2008-2009 Student Assistant

Department of English, University of Texas Pan-American

### 2008-2009 Slovene Language Teacher - Voluntary work

Department of English, University of Texas Pan-American

2004-2007 EFL Teacher (grades 4 to 9)

Elementary and Middle School of Koper (Slovenia)

## 2006-2007 EFL Teacher (levels beginner to upper-intermediate)

Eurocenter Language School (Slovenia)

## 2004-2006 EFL Teacher (levels beginner and intermediate)

Ljudska Univerza Koper-Adult Education Center and Language School (Slovenia)

## **RESEARCH AND PRESENTATIONS:**

# **Conference presentations:**

ESL writing in mainstream composition and developmental writing courses, LASSO (Linguistic Association of the Southwest) Annual Convention, Las Cruces, New Mexico, October, 7-9, 2010

Pro-drop in Slovene; LASSO (Linguistic Association of the Southwest) Annual Convention Provo, Utah, September, 25-26, 2009

# Other presentations:

Coping Strategies of L2 Writers During the Writing Process: Case Studies of Non-English Dominant Students in Mainstream English Composition Courses; UTPA MA-ESL Workshop for ELL Teachers, June 7-8, 2010

## Other research experience:

Member of the UTPA Language Learning Research Group (Fall 2009, Spring 2010)

### **AWARDS**:

2009-2010 Teaching Assistantship, University of Texas-Pan American, English Department; assistantship awarded based on academic records

2008-2009 Student Assistantship, University of Texas-Pan American, English Department; assistantship awarded based on academic records

2003-2005 Scholarship of Ministry of Education and Sport (Government of the Republic of Slovenia); scholarship awarded based on academic records