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EDUCATION

University of North Texas, Ph.D., English, 1990.

Major: American and British Literature 1914 to Present.

Minor: British Literature 1798 to 1914

Dissertation: "Literature of Conscience: The Novels of John Nichols."

The University of Texas at El Paso, M.A., English/Creative Writing, 1977.

The University of Texas at El Paso, B.A., English/Creative Writing, 1975.

AWARDS

Research and Sponsored Programs Outstanding Performance Award for University College, The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP), 2006-2007.

Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate, The National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition and Houghton Mifflin, 2004.

Distinguished Achievement Award for Teaching Excellence, UTEP, 2001.

Outstanding Advocate for Entering Students, UTEP, 2000.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Director of Entering Student Program, UTEP, 2003-Present.

- Provide administrative oversight for University Studies, which includes two core curriculum courses UNIV 1301 (first-year seminar), UNIV 2350, learning communities, and peer educator program
- Collaborate with Academic Advising Center and selected colleges to supervise shared personnel
- Collaborate with key university staff and administrators to develop academically-centered initiatives that strive to improve entering student success and retention
- Collaborate with program, college, and university personnel to develop program assessment
- Provided leadership for Circles of Learning for Entering Students (CircLES), a program for pre-science and pre-engineering students that includes orientation, advising, and learning communities (2003-2009)

Associate Dean—University College, UTEP, 2004-2008.

- Provided administrative oversight for the Entering Student Program (University Studies and CircLES, a program for pre-science and pre-engineering students that included orientation, advising, and learning communities), Developmental English (reading and writing), Developmental Math, START (Provisional Admission) Program, Texas Success Initiative, and College Readiness Initiative
- Assisted the Dean of University College with initiatives
- Represented Dean (as requested) at meetings, presentations, and events

Director of University Studies, UTEP, 1999-2003.

- Provided administrative oversight for UNIV 1301, UNIV 2350 and learning communities, peer instructors, and instructors
- Collaborated with key university staff and administrators to develop academically-centered initiatives that strive to improve entering student success and retention
- Collaborated with program, college, and university personnel to develop program assessment

Director of Developmental English, UTEP, 1989-1999.

- Designed and directed developmental reading (effective 1993) and writing programs (effective 1989)
- Hired, trained, and supervised developmental English instructors, teaching assistants, and tutors
- Coordinated the use of computer-supported instruction
- Participated in developmental English program planning and record keeping
- Collaborated with program and university personnel to develop program assessment
- Served as a liaison between the Developmental English Program and the Department of English

Director of Developmental Studies, English Department, UTEP, 1988.

- Coordinated developmental reading/writing program (English 3110 and 3001)
- Hired, trained, and supervised program instructors
- Coordinated use of computer software with course content
- Maintained program records
- Served as editor of Program for Advanced Literacy in the Liberal Arts Newsletter

Instructor of English, Part-time, UTEP, 1983-1988.

Instructor of Study Skills, Part-time, UTEP, 1988.

Instructor of English, Part-time, El Paso Community College, 1986-1988.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Developmental English

Developmental Reading

Developmental Writing

English

First-Year Composition

Introduction to Drama

Introduction to Fiction

Introduction to American Fiction

Survey of British Literature (1785-Present)

Entering Student Program

First-year Seminar

COMMITTEE SERVICE (Selected)

New Miner Convocation, Member (2012-Present). Develop and oversee the New Miner Convocation for entering first-year, transfer, and graduate students and their families. Assist with the development and publication of the family guide and the convocation program.

Financial Aid Appeal Council, Member (2002-2009, 2013). Review appeals from students who were denied financial aid on the basis of unsatisfactory academic progress.

Entering Student Program Advisory Committee, Chair (2008-10). Reviewed and advised components of the Entering Student Program. Committee included representatives from all colleges, key Student Affairs offices, and library.

UTEP's Foundations of Excellence Committee, Member of Leadership Team and Steering Committee (2007-2010). Conducted externally-guided, campus-wide self-study of policies, procedures, and programs impacting transfer students (including Early College High School, dual credit, Junior Scholars, AP credit, and traditional transfer), and completed the report with recommendations for improvement.

The University of Texas System Review Panel for Transforming Undergraduate Education Grant Program, Member (2009). Reviewed grant proposals for new programs designed to “stimulate creative approaches to instruction that increase student access and success while being cost efficient.”

Admissions Review Committee, Member (2004-2009). Reviewed appeals from students denied admission to UTEP.

El Paso Community College – University of Texas at El Paso Joint Articulation Committee, Member (2004-2008). Addressed articulation issues dealing with transfer students and transfer program development, hosts annual joint retreats between institutional administrations.

University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso Community College (EPCC), and Region 19 Independent School Districts College Readiness Implementation Committee, Co-Chaired with EPCC Dean (2004-2008). Developed a program that implemented ACCUPLACER orientation, UTEP-EPCC admissions applications, testing, interventions, and re-testing to high school juniors and seniors to identify students' level of college readiness in math, reading, and writing, and to provide interventions in high school for students who place at pre-college level.

El Paso Area College Readiness Consortium, Member (2005-2008). Oversaw college readiness efforts for the El Paso Region.

UTEP Ad Hoc Curriculum Review Committee, Member (2007-2008). Reviewed degree plans revised to meet the State's 120-hour degree requirements.

University College Curriculum Committee, Member (2004-2008). Reviewed proposed curricular changes for University College courses.

Top Ten Seniors Committee, Member (2002, 2004-2005, 2007-2008). Selected students honored as Top Ten Seniors at UTEP.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Subcommittee of K-16, Member (2006). Developed recommendations for increasing college readiness of students in Texas entering institutions of higher education.

Centennial Commission Undergraduate Education Committee, Faculty Liaison (2004-05). Worked with community leaders to develop recommendations for improving undergraduate education at UTEP.

President's Advisory Committee on Women, Member (2003-2004), Chair (2004-2005). Advised the UTEP President on issues affecting female students, staff, and faculty.

English Department Faculty Senate Representative, Alternate (2004). Represented the English Department at Faculty Senate meetings as requested.

Title V UTEP-EPCC Transfer Subcommittee, Chair (2003-04). Developed and conducted Transfer Fairs at both EPCC and UTEP to assist students with a more seamless transfer between the two institutions.

First-Year Seminar Development Task Force, Chair (1998-1999). Developed UTEP's First-Year Seminar Program, including course goals and objectives, instructional team, peer leader program, and program assessment.

GRANTS AWARDED

University Research Institute Research Grant. Principal Investigator. Purpose to identify strategies employed by successful at-risk UTEP students who demonstrate positive deviance by their successful transition to and performance in college. One year, \$5,000. Funded 2011.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board: Intensive Summer Bridge Programs.

Principal Investigator. Purpose to provide instruction and support to help accelerate at-risk students into college-level courses and support their transition to college. One year, \$44,992. Funded 2008.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board: Texas Learning Objects Repository Small Grant.

Principal Investigator. Purpose to format and upload recently created English 0111 and 1311 online modules to the Texas Learning Objects Repository for use by educators throughout the state of Texas. Nine-months, \$19,956. Funded 2008.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board: Phase III Course Redesign Grant.

Principal Investigator. Purpose to support the redesign of online instructional modules for use in both English 0111 and English 1311 to provide hybrid instruction in English 0111 and to pilot supplemental instruction in English 1311. Two years, \$61,588. Funded 2007.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board: Phase II Course Redesign Grant.

Principal Investigator. Purpose to support the redesign of English 0111 from a traditional workshop to a hybrid course. Five months, \$21,276. Funded 2007.

Upper Rio Grande Workforce: Youth Summer Enrichment Program.

Co-Principal Investigator. Purpose to support a summer bridge program for CAMP students. One year, \$81,549. Funded 2007.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board: First Generation College Student Grant.

Purpose to recruit and retain first generation college students. One year, \$50,000. Funded 2005.

Department of Education Title V Grant: Strengthening Hispanic-Serving Institutions.

Activity Director. Purpose to assist with the development of the Entering Student Program. Five years, 1.6 million. Funded 2000-2005.

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph, Chapters, and Articles

Evenbeck, Scott, Barbara Jackson, Maggy Smith, Dorothy Ward, and Associates. *Organizing For Student Success: The University College Model*. Columbia, S.C.: U of South Carolina, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2010.

- Ward, Dorothy, and Joyce Ritchey. "College Readiness Initiative." *Organizing for Student Success: The University College Model*. Scott Evenbeck, et al. Columbia, S.C.: U of South Carolina, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students In Transition, 2010.
- Ward, Dorothy. "Holistic Support for Learning." *Organizing for Student Success: The University College Model*. Scott Evenbeck, et al. Columbia, S.C.: U of South Carolina, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2010.
- Mangadu, Thenral, Donna E. Ekal, and Dorothy P. Ward. "Multiple Contexts Contributing to College Success: Insights Gained from First-Year College Students Participating in a Summer Program." *E-Source for College Transitions* 8:1 (2010): 10-13. Web. Oct. 2010.
- Smith, Maggy, Dorothy Ward, Ann Darnell, and Francisco Martinez. "University of Texas at El Paso." *Exploring the Evidence, Volume IV: Reporting Research on First-Year Seminars*. Ed. Angela Griffin., et al. Columbia, S.C.: U of South Carolina, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2008. < http://sc.edu/fye/resources/fyr/pdf/MExpEvid_IV.pdf>.
- Ward, Dorothy, Maggy Smith, Cathy Willermet, Ann Darnell, and Diana Guerrero. "University of Texas at El Paso." *Exploring the Evidence, Volume III: Reporting Outcomes of First-Year Seminars*. Ed. Barbara Tobolowsky, et al. Columbia, S.C.: U of South Carolina, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2005.
- Smith, Maggy, Dorothy Ward and Cathy Willermet. "Integrating Learning, Building Community at a Minority-Serving Commuter Institute: The First-Year Seminar as the Learning Community's Hub." *The Integrative Role of First-Year Seminars in Learning Communities*. Ed. Jean M. Henscheid. Columbia, S.C.: University of South Carolina, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2004.

Ward, Dorothy. "Editing Guidelines," "Proofreading Tips," "Guidelines for Peer Reviewing," and "Coordination." *Discovery*. Ed. Sandra Blystone. Eden Prairie, Minnesota: Outernet Publishing, 2001.

Posey, Evelyn, and Dorothy Ward. "Computer-Supported Writing Instruction: The Student-Centered Classroom." *Journal of Developmental Education* Winter 1991: 26-28+.

Ward, Dorothy. "Tourist Attractions in El Paso (1885): An Excerpt from *The Mexican Guide*." *Password* Summer 1986: 89-92.

---. "Pancho Villa's Death Mask Goes Home." *Password* Winter 1984: 196.

---. "Red Rock Canyon Cross." *Password* Fall 1976: 91-96.

Book Reviews

Ward, Dorothy. "Scofield's *Walking Dunes*: A Sensitive Portrayal of the 'Anguish of Youth.'" *Texas Books in Review* Winter 1992: 15.

---. "Cisneros Collection 'A Book to Read--and Read Again.'" *Texas Books in Review* Fall 1991: 1.

KEYNOTE ADDRESSES

Ward, Dorothy. "Ensuring Academic Support for First Year Students." Perth, Australia: Curriculum 2012 and Beyond, 2012.

Smith, Maggy, and Dorothy Ward. "Success for Students in Transition to College." Weatherford, Texas: Texas Counselors' Network 2007 Postsecondary Mini-Conference, 2007.

---. "Building the Foundation for First-Year Student Success in Public, Urban Universities: A Case Study." El Paso, Texas: MIE Pathways to Success in STEM Education, 2006 .

---. "Transforming the Institution: Re-visioning the Community of Learners." Atlanta, Georgia: Second Annual Southern Regional Learning Communities Conference, 2005.

---. "Transforming the Institution: Re-visioning the Community of Learners." South Padre Island, Texas: South Texas Leadership Academy, 2005.

PRESENTATIONS

Ward, Dorothy, Joanne Kropp, Claudia Vanessa Garcia. “Supporting Traditionally Underserved Students: Programming Strategies for 21st Century Demographics. San Diego, California: 33rd Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2014.

Ward, Dorothy, Thenral Mangadu, and Trinidad Morales. “In Their Own Words: Positive Deviance Strategies of Successful High-Risk Students.” Orlando, Florida: 32nd Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2013.

Gabbert, Ann, Dorothy Ward, and Joanne Kropp. “Integration by Design: Formats for Linked Learning Communities.” Orlando, Florida: 32nd Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2013.

Ward, Dorothy, Thenral Mangadu, and Irma Montelongo. “Global Learning Communities: Using First-Year Seminars to Traverse Global and Multicultural Borders.” El Paso, Texas: Border Learning Conference, February 2013.

Ward, Dorothy, Thenral Mangadu, and Irma Montelongo. “Designing Assessment to Support and Improve First-Year Seminars.” San Antonio, Texas: 31st Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2012.

Martinez, Isabel, Irma Montelongo, Kate Szur and Dorothy Ward. “Creating a Global Learning Community.” Washington, D.C.: AAC&U Annual Meeting, January 2012.

Ward, Dorothy. “Success by Design: UTEP’s First-Year Seminar Program.” San Diego, California: Educational Policy Institute’s International Conference on Student Success (RETENTION 2011), June 2011.

Ward, Dorothy, Thenral Mangadu, and Irma Montelongo. “Assessing Success.” Atlanta: 30th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2011.

Evenbeck, Scott, Barbara Jackson, Maggy Smith, and Dorothy Ward. “Organizing for Student Success: The University College Model.” Houston: Annual Students in Transition Conference, 2010.

Gabbert, Ann, Dorothy Ward, and Joanne Kropp, and Ann Gabbert. “Writing and Academic Success Skills: Supporting First-Year Seminar Instruction.” Houston: Annual Students in Transition Conference, 2010.

- Ward, Dorothy, Joanne Kropp, and Ann Gabbert. "Writing and Academic Success Skills: Supporting First-Year Seminar Instruction." El Paso, Texas: Annual College Academic Support Programs Conference, 2010.
- Montelongo, Irma, and Dorothy Ward. "Bridging Courses and Continents: The UTEP-VU Global Learning Community." El Paso, Texas: Annual College Academic Support Programs Conference, 2010.
- Ward, Dorothy, Joanne Kropp, Irma Montelongo, and Abby Cooperman. "With a Little Help From Our Friends: Creating Campus Collaborations." Denver, Colorado: 29th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2010.
- Mangadu, Thenral and Dorothy Ward. "The Accelerated Student Support through Integrated Success Teams (ASSIST) Program at The University of Texas at El Paso." Denver, Colorado: 29th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2010.
- Ward, Dorothy, and Joanne Kropp. "It Takes a Campus: Developing Collaborations across Student and Academic Affairs" (focused dialogue). Denver, Colorado: 29th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2010.
- Ward, Dorothy, Joanne Kropp, and Abby Cooperman. "It Takes a Campus: Collaborations to Support Entering Students." El Paso, Texas: Texas Association of College and University Student Personnel Administrators Fall Conference, 2009.
- Ward, Dorothy, Joanne Kropp, Ann Gabbert, and Shawna Clemente. "Success by Design: Supporting the First-Year Seminar Instructor." Orlando, Florida: 28th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2009.
- Evenbeck, Scott, Frank Ross, Gayle Williams, and Dorothy Ward. "Creating Collaborative and Comprehensive Programs for Entering Students." Orlando, Florida: 28th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2009.
- Ward, Dorothy, Maggy Smith, and Josie Carmona. "Getting Connected with Education—UTEP." El Paso, Texas: El Paso Conference for Women, 2008.
- Evenbeck, Scott, Jackson, Barbara, Maggy Smith, and Dorothy Ward. "A Welcoming Portal of Entry: Creating Collaborative and Comprehensive Programs for Entering Student Success." Toronto, Canada: Nineteenth International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2006.

- Ward, Dorothy, and Sunay Palsole. "Using Games to Impart Lifelong Learning: Preparing Students for Financial Success." Toronto, Canada: Nineteenth International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2006.
- Jackson, Barbara and Dorothy Ward. "A Welcoming Portal of Entry." Southampton, England: Eighteenth International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2005.
- Smith, Maggy, Dorothy Ward, Tammie Aragon-Campos, and Gary Edens. "Improving Services to Students in Times of Budget Shortfalls." Maui, Hawaii: Seventeenth International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2004.
- Ward, Dorothy, Maggy Smith, Gary Edens, and Cathy Willermet. "Promoting Successful Teaching: Supporting Seminar and Learning Communities Instructors." Maui, Hawaii: Seventeenth International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2004.
- Aragon-Campos, Tammie, Dorothy Ward, and Gary Edens. "Collaborative Strategies to Improve Student Performance on Placement Tests." Maui, Hawaii: Seventeenth International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2004.
- Hensheid, Jean, et al. "The Integrative Role of First-Year Seminars in Learning Communities." Seattle, Washington: National Conference of Learning Communities and Undergraduate Education Reform, 2004.
- Ward, Dorothy, and Gary Edens. "Preparing for Success: Providing Support for Seminar Instructors." Addison, Texas: Annual National Conference on The First-Year Experience, 2004.
- Evenbeck, Scott, Barbara Jackson, and Dorothy Ward. "University College Models in Support of Entering Students." Addison, Texas: Annual National Conference on The First-Year Experience, 2004.
- Ward, Dorothy, Ben Flores, and Cathy Willermet. "Developing Connections: Learning Communities and the First-Year Seminar." Olympia, Washington: Learning Communities Institute, 2003.
- Ward, Dorothy, Kathy Stein, and Cheryl Baker. "Modeling with Student-Generated Texts." El Paso, Texas: The Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning, 2003.
- Ward, Dorothy, and Kathy Stein. "Diversity in Action: Custom-Publishing at The University of Texas at El Paso." Austin, Texas: National Association for Developmental Education, 2003.

- Aragon-Campos, Tammie, Gary Edens, and Dorothy Ward. "Opening Minds with Targeted Change." Bath, England: International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2002.
- Smith, Maggy, and Dorothy Ward. "Sharing Success: Outreach to Public Schools." Kissimmee, Florida: Annual National Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2002.
- Ward, Dorothy, and Kathy Stein. "Integrating Academic Success Skills." San Marcos, Texas: Lilly Conference on College & University Teaching—Texas, 2001.
- Ward, Dorothy. "Transforming the Drive-Thru University: Connecting Commuter Students to Their College Campus." Honolulu, Hawaii: International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2001.
- Smith, Maggy, Dorothy Ward, and Gary Edens. "Development and Expansion: Phase Two of UTEP's Entering Student Program." Houston, Texas: Annual National Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2001.
- Ward, Dorothy, Andrea Berta, Veronica Escobar, and Kathy Stein. "Study Strategies in the College Classroom: University Seminar and Beyond." Ruidoso, New Mexico: New Mexico College Reading and Learning Association Conference, 2000.
- Ridgeway, Mary, Nancy Wood, Maggy Smith, and Dorothy Ward. "Institutional Change: Getting Students to Participate and Succeed." Breckenridge, Colorado: CRLA and NADE Joint Symposium 2000: Teaching and Learning Issues in Higher Education, 2000.
- Smith, Maggy, Dorothy Ward, Heather Smith, and Meg Murray. "Design for Success: UTEP's Entering Student Program." Columbia, South Carolina: Annual National Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2000.
- Smith, Maggy, Dorothy Ward, Irma Rubio, Gary Edens, and Meg Murray. "Design for Success: UTEP's Entering Student Program." San Francisco, California: West Coast Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2000.
- Smith, Maggy, and Dorothy Ward. "Teaching/Learning with a Different Approach." San Antonio, Texas: First Annual Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching, 2000.
- Smith, Maggy, and Dorothy Ward. "From Process to Progress: UTEP's Entering Student Program." El Paso, Texas: Conference on Academic Support Programs, 1999.

Smith, Maggy, and Dorothy Ward. "Uncivil Wars: The Politics Behind Initiating the University Seminar." Edinburgh, Scotland: International Conference on the First-Year Experience, 1999.

Ward, Dorothy. "Creating a Writing Community: A Developmental Writing Program." Las Cruces: New Mexico College Reading and Learning Association Conference, 1996.

Ward, Dorothy, and Sharon Owen. "Discovery and Exploration: A Design for Developmental Writers." Fort Worth, Texas: Conference on Academic Support Programs, 1992.

Posey, Evelyn, Dorothy Ward, Ralph Liguori, and Charles Littleton. "Assessment in the Developmental Context." El Paso, Texas: Rocky Mountain Educational Research Association, 1991.

Ward, Dorothy, et al. "Real Places with Virtual Spaces: Writing Centers and Computers." Biloxi, Mississippi: Conference on Computers and Writing, 1991.

Ward, Dorothy. "The Student-Centered Class: An Approach to Basic Writing Instruction." Boston, Massachusetts: Conference on College Composition and Communication, 1991.

Ward, Dorothy, and Sharon Owen. "Design for Success: The UT El Paso Academic Development Center Writing Program." Phoenix: Arizona Developmental Education Conference, 1990.

Posey, Evelyn, Dorothy Ward, and Ralph Liguori. "Prescription for Academic Success: The UT El Paso Academic Development Center." Dallas, Texas: Conference on Academic Support Programs, 1989.

PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS AND CONSULTING

Ward, Dorothy. Institute on First-Generation College Students, July 2014. Ashville, North Carolina: National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition. Invited Institute faculty member. Presented two sessions and served on faculty panel.

- Ward, Dorothy. Edith Cowan University (Perth, Australia), November 2011 through June 2013. International member of the Program Advisory Group to provide advice and guidance on the planning, implementation and outcomes of the Curriculum 2012 Project. Conducted five workshops, gave a keynote address at Edith Cowan University, and developed a college-specific guide to New Student Orientation.
- Ward, Dorothy. Laureate Education, Inc. September 2011. Consultant for the development of a First-Year Experience Program for the online National Hispanic University.
- Ross, Frank, Gayle Williams and Dorothy Ward. "Organizing for Student Success: The University College Model." Atlanta: 30th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2011.
- Evenbeck, Scott, Frank Ross, Maggy Smith, Dorothy Ward, and Gayle Williams. "Creating Collaborative and Comprehensive Programs for Entering Student Success." Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2010.
- Ward, Dorothy. The University of Texas at Arlington, July 21, 2008. (Consulted on developing a first-year seminar.)
- Evenbeck, Scott, Barbara Jackson, Maggy Smith, and Dorothy Ward. "A Welcoming Portal of Entry: Creating Collaborative and Comprehensive Programs for Entering Student Success." Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008. (Day-long pre-conference workshop)
- Ward, Dorothy, Tine Reimers, Gary Edens, and Jaime Carrillos. "Western New Mexico University: University Seminar Instructor/Peer Leader Workshop Series," 2003. (2-day workshop)
- Ward, Dorothy, Tine Reimers, Maggy Smith, and Gladys Shaw. "Socorro Independent School District Ninth Grade Success Initiative Instructor Workshop Series," 2001. (5 half-day workshops)
- Ward, Dorothy. "Journal Writing Workshop for UTEP Academic Development Center Math Instructors," 1990. (2-hour workshop)

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

National Reviewer for the Institutional Excellence for Students in Transition Award, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2014

Panel Member for “A Streamlined, Seamless Sustainable Approach, Preparing High School Students for Transition to Colleges and Universities, Strengthening Student and Academic Programs to Retain Existing Latino/a Students Currently in Higher Education.” Albuquerque, New Mexico: 3rd Biennial Policy Summit on Latino Higher Education, 2013.

National Reviewer for the Outstanding First-Year Advocate Campaign, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2006-2013.

Member of Proposal Review Committee for the Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, 2009-2014.

Member of the Reference Group for an Australian Teaching and Learning Council Grant Project, 2012.

Reviewer of *Step by Step 4e*, Bedford/St. Martins, 2009.

Guest reviewer for *Journal of Learning Community Research*, published by Kennesaw State University Press, 2007 and 2008.

Member of UTEP delegation to Victoria University (Melbourne, Australia). Made numerous presentations and participated in roundtable discussions, Melbourne, Australia, April 18-28, 2008.

Host to Professor Shigeo Sato from Tamagawa University (Tokyo, Japan), who requested a visit to learn more about first-year programming at UTEP, September 4-5, 2007.

Panelist for the 2007 teleconference entitled “Leading the Way: Encouraging Student Success Through Peer Education,” sponsored by the National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, University of South Carolina, 2007.

Panelist for “Regional Councils Reflection on the Summit,” Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board P-16 Summit, Austin, TX: 2007.

External reviewer for the promotion packet of Dr. Christine Kirk-Kuwaye, University of Hawaii at Manoa, 2007.

Reviewer of *Becoming a Master Student*, Houghton Mifflin, 2003-04.

Invited member of focus group to review an instrument designed to benchmark outcomes of first-year seminars and other first-year programmatic interventions, sponsored by the Policy Center on the First Year of College, Brevard College, 2001.

Presenter of "Entering Student Program Seminar and Learning Communities: First-Year Student Success Initiatives at UTEP." Presentation to the Eastside Rotary Club, 2001.

Reviewer of *The Reader's Choice*, St. Martin's Press, 1997.

Reviewer of *Basic Writing Skills*, HarperCollins Publishers, 1996.

Reviewer of *Cultural Connections: Explorations in Popular Culture*, St. Martin's Press, 1996.

Reviewer of *American Pop Culture*, HarperCollins Publishers, 1995.

Reviewer of *Preparing for the TASP with The Bedford Handbook for Writers*, St. Martin's Press, 1993.

Reviewer of *Springboard for Developing Writers*, HarperCollins Publishers, 1992-1993.

Essay Judge for the El Paso Independent School District Academic Decathlon, 1990 and 1991.

Presenter of "Dreiser, Cather, Hemingway, Fitzgerald, Lewis, and Wright: Six American Writers" to EPISD Academic Decathlon participants, 1990.

REFERENCES

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