School Counselor

Highly trained bilingual school counseling professional with over 22 years of counseling, teaching and technology background, specializing in developing, directing, and coordinating methods to assist students with their academic, social-emotional, and post-secondary needs

Certified School Counselor

- National Certified Counselor
- Certified Safe Space Counselor

· Certified Spanish

- ESOL Endorsement
- Reading Endorsement

SCHOOL COUNSELING & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

School Counselor, Walton High School - Marietta, GA

July 2020 – present

- o Caseload of approximately 450 students
- o Creator and webmaster of school counseling website (<u>www.waltonhighcounseling.com</u>)
- o Public relations and social media specialist for school counseling department
- o Developer of Raider Success 9th grade study, organizational, and test-taking skills group
- o Coordinator of Junior Advisement and Junior Bridge Bill for 670+ juniors and their families
- o Dual enrollment adviser
- o 504 coordinator
- o Cobb County School District consultant and author of Tier 1 and Tier 2 interventions

School Counselor, Marietta High School - Marietta, GA

July 2012 - June 2020

- o Caseload of approximately 500 students
- o School Counseling Department Head
- School Leadership Team member
- Supervised two school counseling interns and mentored two new school counselors
- Redesigned school counseling department to focus on strengths-based, comprehensive model based on ASCA National Model
- o Streamlined the dual enrollment process to help our students and families better understand how to take classes at the local colleges increasing our participation in dual enrollment from 35 to 170+ students
- Dual enrollment advisory council member for Chattahoochee Technical College
- o New student enrollment and transcript evaluator for all new MHS enrollees (350+ students, domestic and foreign)
- O Director of all senior activities including graduation, Who's Who, and Senior Honors Night

Spanish Instructor, Emory University – Atlanta, GA

February 2011 – December 2012

- $\hspace{1cm} \circ \hspace{1cm} Instructed \hspace{.1cm} Spanish \hspace{.1cm} II-IV \hspace{.1cm} for \hspace{.1cm} Evening \hspace{.1cm} at \hspace{.1cm} Emory \\$
- Prepared students for ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview

Spanish Teacher, McIntosh High School - Peachtree City, GA

July 2010 – June 2012

○ Instructed levels of Spanish I – III, including Honors

Instructional Technologist, The University of Georgia – Athens, GA

August 2006 – June 2010

o Graduate assistant for the College of Education's Office of Information Technology (Teaching With Technology)

English Teacher, Fulbright Teacher Exchange – Mexico City, Mexico

August 2004 – December 2004

- Taught English to high school vocational students at Centro de Estudios Tecnológicos Industriales y de Servicio Mexicano-Alemán (CETMA)
- o Conducted beginner's English conversation courses for faculty

Spanish Teacher, Kennesaw Mountain High School – Kennesaw, GA

July 2001 – June 2006

o Instructed levels of Spanish I-V, including Honors and Team-Taught

EDUCATION	
Doctor of Education, Professional Counseling and Supervision The University of West Georgia – Carrollton, GA	June 2022 – present
Educational Specialist, School Counseling The University of Georgia – Athens, GA	June 2008 – May 2010
Masters of Education, Language and Literacy Education (Spanish) The University of Georgia – Athens, GA	August 2006 – May 2008
Universidad de Salamanca Study Abroad The University of Salamanca – Salamanca, Spain	June 2007 – July 2007
Instituto Cemenahauc Study Abroad Cemenahuac Language Institute – Cuernavaca, Mexico	June 2004 – July 2004
Universidad Veracruzana Study Abroad The University of Veracruz – Veracruz, Mexico	June 2001 – July 2001
Universidad de Sevilla Study Abroad The University of Seville – Seville, Spain	January 2000 – May 2000
Bachelor of Science in Education, Spanish Education The University of Georgia – Athens, GA	September 1997 – May 2001
PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS	
Program PR & Promotion American School Counselor Association Annual Conference	July 2023
And Then in Walked a Crisis: Crisis Counseling Techniques for the School Setting Cobb School Counselor Association Conference	February 2023
How to Promote Counseling Services to the Community: Transform Yourself into a PR E Georgia School Counselor Association Conference	Expert November 2022
How to Promote Counseling Services to the Community: Transform Yourself into a PR G Cobb School Counselor Association Conference	January 2022
Why Do We Bully? Mistake Club digital magazine	November 2021
Best Practices for Using Evidenced-Based Data in the K-12 Setting National Evidenced-Based School Counseling Conference	March 2020
Bridging the Communication Gap between School Counselors and Principals Mini-Conference, Ed.S. Professional School Counseling Program, Poster Session	July 2009
Teaching Spanish & Hispanic Culture Through the Use of Movie Clips Foreign Language Association of Georgia Conference	March 2006
La Música Con Mensaje – How to Incorporate Protest Music in the Spanish Classroom Foreign Language Association of Georgia Conference	March 2005
Centro de Estudios Tecnológicos Industriales y de Servicio Mexicano-Alemán Fulbright Teacher Exchange Conference	October 2004
HONORS & RECOGNITIONS	
School Counselor of the Year, Marietta City Schools - Marietta, GA	2020
Most Dedicated Staff Member, Marietta High School – Marietta, GA	2017
Employee of the Month, Marietta High School – Marietta, GA	2014
Outstanding Leadership in School Counseling, The University of Georgia – Athens, GA	2010
D-Quadrant Teacher of the Month, Kennesaw Mountain High School – Kennesaw, GA	2006
Fulbright Teacher Exchange - United States State Department - Mexico City, Mexico	2004
Golden Apple Teacher of the Month, Kennesaw Mountain High School – Kennesaw, GA	A 2001