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Education:

Ph.D. Linguistics. University of Hawai'i. Honolulu, Hawai'i.
Sociolinguistics, Pragmatics, Discourse Analysis.

M.A. Linguistics. University of Hawai'i. Honolulu, Hawai'i.

B.A. Liberal Arts, German. University of Oregon. Eugene, Oregon.

Dissertation:

"Meaning in Legal Discourse: Beyond the Lexicon." Study of oral argument and other legal discourse to illuminate meaning through intonational phonology and mental space theory with a pragmatic approach. Michael Forman, Chair.

Academic Positions:

Lecturer in English

Eastern Washington University. September 2001 to present.

Courses taught:

- SSWK 411/511 Language, Culture, and Disability
- English 459 Grammar for Teachers
- English 408 The Composition Process
- English 360 Language Structure and Use
- English 296 Introduction to Basic Grammar: Experimental
- English 201 College Composition: Analysis and Documentation.
- English 101 College Composition: Exposition and Argument.
- English 100 Fundamentals of English Composition.
- English 101 Intersession: Prototype 4-week condensed session.
- English 100 Intersession: Prototype 4-week condensed session.

Instructor in Adult Basic Education

South Seattle Community College. January 2001 to August 2001.
English as a Second Language.

Developed and presented instructional activities to improve students' skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing English at the intermediate level. Presented life skills for immigrant and refugee adults from around the world.

Graduate Teaching Assistant

University of Hawai'i. Spring 1996.

Linguistics 102: Introduction to the Study of Language.

Developed and presented lectures and other activities to introduce undergraduate students to concepts across the range of linguistic study including phonology, syntax, morphology, semantics, historical linguistics, sociolinguistics, and language acquisition.

Publications:

"Diversity and Curricular Content: Critical Thinking in a Composition Class." Conference Proceedings of the Fourth International Conference on Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations. 4:931-6. 2006.

Bergland, Helen and Nanette Wichman. "Critical Moments at Eastern Washington University." In The Critical Moments Project. Eds. Gillies Malnarish and Diane Gillespie. The Washington Center. 2004.

"Mental Space in Legal Discourse." University of Hawai'i Working Papers in Linguistics 29:53 - 84. 1997.

Under consideration

"Speaking of Sentences" submitted to Teaching English in the Two-Year College (TETYC) Nov. 2007.

In Progress

"A Nor'easter in the Pacific." Contemplates linguistic issues in Herman Melville's rendering of Marquesan words in Typee. Planned for Leviathan.

Conferences:

International

"Critical Thinking and Diversity: Using personal Narratives to Enhance the University Environment." Fourth International Conference on Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations. University of California, Los Angeles. (co-presenter) July 2004.

National

"The Grammar Zone: An Experience in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning." College Composition and Communication Conference. New Orleans. April 2008.

"Intuition, Grammar, and Writing: Prometheus Restored." College Composition and Communication Conference. Chicago. March 2006.

Regional

"Of Politics and Grammar." Two-Year College Association. Spokane, Washington. October 2007.

"From Homonyms to Synonyms: Whither the Written Word?" Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association: General Linguistics. Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. October 2005.

Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association. Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Session Chair: English Linguistics. October 2005.

"The Rise and Fall of Questions: Meaning in Intonation." Northwest Anthropological Conference. Spokane, Washington. March 2005.

"Social Policy: Writing for Civil Rights." Washington Association for Educating Speakers of Other Languages. Auburn, Washington. October 2004.

"A Community of Critical Consumers: Making a Difference in Education." Two-Year College Association. Portland, Oregon. October 2004.

"Terminal Question Intonation: A Meaningful Phenomenon." Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association. Boulder, Colorado. September 2004.

Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association. Missoula, Montana. Session Chair, General Linguistics. October 2003.

"Grammar as a Foreign Language." Two-Year College Association. Spokane, Washington. (co-presenter) October 2003.

"Dictation for Fun and Profit." Washington Association for Educating Speakers of Other Languages. Bellingham, Washington. November 2002.

"Politeness in Law?: Discourse Markers in an Oral Argument." Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association. Scottsdale, Arizona. October 2002.

Presentations:

"Introduction to Basic Grammar" Guest presentation InSync program. Spokane Community College. February 8, 2008.

"Rethinking Hartwell (1985)." Guest presentation English 694. November 9, 2007.

"Grammar as Part of the Composition Process." Guest Presentation. EWU Writers' Center. October 18, 2007.

"Triangles and Trapezoids: A Search for Meaning in Text." English Department Works in Progress Symposium. May 2006.

"Intuition, Grammar, and Writing." English 695. Guest Speaker. March 2006.

"Perspectives on Diversity." Women's Faculty and Staff Social Club. February 2006.

Diversity Workshops – conducted campus wide under a grant from the Academic Strategic Plan. Spring 2006.

College Assessment Forum Reading Panel on Critical thinking and Writing. Conducted by the Department of Management in the College of Business and Public Administration. January 2006.

"Eastern Voices: Alumni Share Their Stories." QSI Gearing Up for Fall 2005 Conference. August 2005.

"Engaging Students through PowerPoint." Teaching with Technology Faculty Seminar Series. April 2005.

"Teaching Diversity" Faculty Fair Panel for the Scholars Learning Community. September 2004.

"Working with ESL/EFL Students." Pre-fall Graduate Teaching Assistant Composition Workshop September 2004.

"Grammar Mini-Lecture." English 511 Guest Speaker. November 2003.

"Language Acquisition and Sociolinguistics." English 360 Guest Instructor. May 2003.

Recruitment Presentation on behalf of the Department of English. January 2003.

"Writing From Other Perspectives: The Japanese Internment Camp Paper." English 391 Guest Speaker. November 2002.

"English 201: What We Really Do." EWU Writers' Center.

Writing Across the Curriculum Interdisciplinary Faculty Workshop. June 2002.

"Syntax and Tree Structure Diagrams." English 460/560 Guest Instructor. April 2002.

"Practical Issues in Teaching Composition." English 695 Guest Speaker. March 2002.

"Working with ESL/EFL Students." Pre-fall Graduate Teaching Assistant Composition Workshop September 2002.

University of Hawai'i, Graduate Department of Linguistics

"Question Intonation in Legal Interaction." Guest Speaker. March 1998.

"Hypotheticals and Counterfactuals: Mental Space in Legal Discourse." Guest speaker. November 1997.

"Arguments on Meaning: A Case Study." Department of ESL Lecture Series. November 1997.

William S. Richardson School of Law, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Court Interpreter Symposium

"Parallels Between Court Transcription and Interpretation." Guest Speaker. September 1997.

Service

Eastern Washington University

Scholars Learning Community on Diversity. 2003 to present. Served two years as coordinator.

Editor in Chief, inaugural edition of "Eastern Voices: Alumni Share Their Stories." Winter, Spring and Summer 2005.

Leading for Learning: Advancing the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Institute. One of three faculty participants from Eastern Washington University to this international conference. January 2005.

Critical Moments Pilot Project Team. Spring 2002 – 2003.

Composition Committee. 2001-2003.

Grants:

- Recipient of a Teaching & Learning Center Grant 2007 \$4000.
- Recipient of a Teaching & Learning Center Grant 2006 \$4000.
- Recipient of a Title III Teaching with Technology Grant 2005 \$3000.
- Recipient of a Title III Teaching with Technology Grant 2004 \$3000.
- Coordinator, Teaching and Learning Center Grant 2005 \$7000.
- Coordinator, Academic Strategic Plan Grant. 2006 \$18,200.

Membership:

- Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association.
- Washington Association for the Education of Speakers of Other Languages
- National College Teachers of English

Additional Research Interests:

Medical Cognition Theory.

Consulted with University of Washington Medical School in Spokane regarding cognitive and pedagogical implications of "Medical Password" game. Fall 2005.

Introduction to Basic Grammar Course, English 296 (HS-2491)

In progress during Fall 2006. This project began with my 2005 Title III summer grant (below) and continued with my 2006 Teaching and Learning Center Faculty Summer Grant during which I researched the pedagogical basis for the method I tested Fall 2006.

Diversity Training for Academic Success: Engaging Students, Faculty and Staff (HS-2349)

Associated with Academic Strategic Plan Grant 2006. This project involved pre, post, and long-term surveys of attitude changes associated with workshops using the case story method. Project completed. Report submitted to Academic Strategic Plan as required.

Commonly Confused Words (HS-2191)

Outgrowth of Title III summer grant on redesigning English 100 class using technology to teach issues in mechanics. This project involved an error analysis of English placement essays. Project completed. One aspect was presented at RMMLA October 2005, another at English Department Works in Progress Symposium May 2006. This research continues to inform my teaching at all levels from English 100 to English 459 courses.

"A Linguistic Approach to Grammar Basics."

Addresses both pedagogical and English-specific issues in teaching grammar.

"A Little More Learning: Library Research as a Tool for Teaching Composition."

Demonstrates the extension of an assignment in library research to reinforce the importance of titles, introductions, and audience considerations. Submitted to "Open Comp" website.

"Declaration as Argument."

Offers the Declaration of Independence as a tool for teaching argument. Addresses writing across the curriculum issues as well as rhetorical structure and techniques used in the document.

Government Service

Internal Revenue Service. October 1981 to January 2001.

Various management and professional duties including those following.

Training Coordinator. Managed the training program serving a 4-state area and more than 600 employees to provide timely and well-instructed training in technical and other courses.

Developed course material. Wrote and reviewed local and national texts for both internal and external audiences.

Lead instructor. Presented course material, assigned topics, and evaluated instructor and student performance.

Instructor. Taught a variety of technical and non-technical courses including Classroom Instructor Training.

Management. Managed Office Audit Program for the state of Hawaii. Managed technical and clerical staff.

Technical Writing. Wrote summaries of cases for presentation to appellate and legal personnel and reviewed such summaries for subordinate staff. Wrote procedures and policies for group and district use. Wrote annual performance evaluations for subordinate staff. Wrote other letters and memoranda for external and internal purposes.

Diversity consultant. Worked closely with EEO Officer and others to foster awareness of diversity issues and provide relevant training. Honolulu Office.

Facilitator. Facilitated meetings for quality improvement and other task groups including conflict-management sessions.

Guest Lecturer Accounting classes on behalf of Internal Revenue Service:

Honolulu Community College, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Chaminade College, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Chemeketa Community College, Salem, Oregon.

Willamette University School of Law, Salem, Oregon.

Presenter:

Professional associations on behalf of Internal Revenue Service:

Windermere Real Estate School, Seattle, Washington.

Honolulu Board of Realtors CPE, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Honolulu Society of Enrolled Agents, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Hawai'i Society of Certified Public Accountants, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Hawai'i Bar Association, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Publication:

"Experience Speaks: Avoiding Burnout on the Job." Leader's Digest, a Continuing Management Education Forum. IX.3 (1995): 7