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Education

EdD · Doctor of Education · Curriculum and Instruction · McKendree University · 2018

EdS · Education Specialist · Curriculum and Instruction · McKendree University · 2015

MS · Masters of Science · Science Education · Montana State University · 2006

MAT · Masters of Arts in Teaching · Webster University · St. Louis, MO · 2000

BA · Biology · Principia College · Elsah, IL · 1998 Principia Upper School · St. Louis, MO · 1994

Certifications & Qualifications

Certified Experiential Educator • Institute for Experiential Learning

Master Educator · Leave No Trace Outdoor Ethics

Certified Facilitator & Trainer · Project WET, Project Wild, & Project Learning Tree

Awards & Honors

Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society Member · McKendree University

Teacher of the Year · North Central Michigan College

2016-present 2009

2010-2018

Teaching & Leadership Experience

Associate Professor of Education

Principia College • Elsah, IL

Leadership & Administrative Roles (at Principia College)

- Chair of the education department (7 years)
- Chair of the sociology & anthropology minor program
- Chair of the sport studies program
- Supervise and evaluate faculty in three programs (EDST, SOAN, & SPRT)
- Faculty Council member elected social science division representative (3 years)
- Faculty Leadership Team member elected social science division representative (3 years)
- General Education Implementation Team (GEIT) (2 years)
- Appointed to the President's Policy Five year-long tiger team
- Chaired four education department searches
- Manage UMSL partnership, graduate assistants, and their residence
- Manage substantial budget which also includes the UMSL scholarship program funds

Other Roles and Duties (as Associate Professor at Principia College)

- Advise and mentor 30+ advisees every semester
- Serve on Community Board (7 years)
- Serve/served as member of various search committees for other departments
- Designed & co-designed 28 new courses since 2010

Teaching & Leadership Experience Continued

- Taught 32 different EDST (and SPST) courses in the past 8 years
- Developed and taught 3 summer online courses in 2015 & 2016 (one was a hybrid course)
- Participated in developing external review portfolio for program review
- Designed and taught 5 FYE programs
- Taught in the pre-fall writing seminar (3 years)
- Admissions Committee member (4 years)

- Manage, train, and supervise student workers and TAs every semester
- Participate in ongoing department, course, and individual assessment practices

Study Abroad Faculty Leader

All programs emphasize intercultural competence, global citizenship, self- and group awareness, teambuilding, and personal/character growth

- Designed and led study abroad program to Iceland in May 2012
- Designed and led study abroad program to St. Lucia in January 2013
- Co-directed study abroad program to Finland Spring 2016
- Designed and led study abroad program to St. Lucia & Grenada in 2016 and 2018
- Planning study abroad program to Iceland for May 2019

Visiting/Interdisciplinary faculty - Biology and Natural Resources Principia College • Elsah, IL

2010-2011, 2013

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• Taught BNR 161, BNR 141, & BNR 362

Adjunct Faculty - Biology

2001 - 2010

North Central Michigan College · Petoskey, MI

- Awarded "Teacher of the Year" in 2009
- Taught biology and environmental science for 22 semesters
- Managed classroom budget and use of student fees
- Attended department and Faculty Senate meetings
- Participated in committee work and advised students
- Managed 30-acre natural area on campus

Environmental Leader/Office Manager

2008 - 2009

Freshwater Future (Non-profit Environmental Organization) · Petoskey, MI

- Contributed to organization's strategic planning process
- Educated citizens about local environmental issues and their potential role as activists
- Maintained all office operations including: accounts receivable, accounts payable, annual audit preparation, online membership management system, and donor relations

Naturalist / Interpreter / Classroom Teacher

2006-2008

SEE-North (Science and Environmental Education of the North)

- Designed, marketed, and ran summer day camp program
- Cared for live animals and maintained interactive displays in interpretive center
- Designed and delivered science programs for public school classrooms

Assistant Second Grade Teacher

1998-1999

Principia Lower School

 Assisted the lead teacher in all aspects of teaching, assessment, and classroom management

Assistant Camp Director (High School, Middle School, & Family Camp Programs)

1992-1998

Cedars Camps · Lebanon, MO

- Supervised and trained staff
- Handled discipline issues that arose with campers and staff
- Supported the camp and campers metaphysically

Publications

Hinchman, L.S. (2018). A phenomenological study of unplugged college students on a short-term study abroad (Doctoral dissertation). ProQuest Dissertation Publishing. (10816046)

Refereed
Presentations

"Technology mediated outdoor experiences – what are the consequences?" European Institute for Outdoor Adventure Education and Experiential Learning (EOE) hosted by Slovenia Outdoor Education Center. September 20, 2018. Bohinj, Slovenia.

"Developing Pedagogy Through an Outdoor Teaching Tool Kit Assignment," Outdoor Leadership Conference hosted by the Wilderness Education Association. October 27, 2017. Jackson Hole, WY.

"Grit & Resilience Through Experiential Education". Experiential Education Exchange Conference hosted by Webster University. February 13, 2016. St. Louis, MO.

"Development of an Interdisciplinary Outdoor Education Degree Program." Outdoor Leadership Conference hosted by the Wilderness Education Association. February 10, 2015. Norman, OK.

Inspirational Talk

"Unveil Greatness and Use Your Pebble of Influence." New Parent/New Student Orientation opening talk. August 18, 2017. Principia College Chapel - Elsah, IL.

Professional Memberships

Association for Experiential Education (AEE)

Association of Outdoor Recreation & Education (AORE)

Experiential Education Exchange (EEE)
Wilderness Education Association (WEA)

Adventure Tourism Research Association (ATRA) European Outdoor Education Association (EOE) National Association for Interpretation (NAI)

Community Participation & Service

Community Board

2011 – present

Principia College faculty & student-run discipline board · Elsah, IL

ISACS - Accreditation Review - Visiting Team Member

2018

Independent School Association of the Central States (The College School · Webster Groves, MO)

Grenada Youth Association - Learn-to-Swim Program

2015 & 2016

St. George's · Grenada

The Peak Institute • Fundraising and guest teaching

2016 & 2018

St. George's · Grenada

Character/Leadership Workshop Co-Facilitator

2012

Principia College Leadership Institute · Elsah, IL

Project WET Trainer Course Instructor/volunteer

2012-2015

Lindenwood University · Bellville, IL and St. Charles, MO

Great Mississippi River Clean-up

2011 & 2012

Alton, IL

Board Member

2005 - 2007

Board of Directors · SEE-North · Petoskey, MI

Professional Development

Conference: EOE European Outdoor & Experiential Education – Slovenia	2018
Terminal degree coursework - McKendree University · Lebanon, IL	2013-2017
Workshop: EEE – Educator Facilitation Techniques – Missouri	11/2017
Conference: WEA – Outdoor Leadership Conference – Wyoming	10/2017
Conference: Teaching Professor Conference – Missouri	6/2017
Conference: ATRA Adventure Tourism Research Association – Ireland	10/2016
Conference: Experiential Education Training (7 days) – Island School: Bahamas	8/2016
Conference: EEE - Experiential Education Exchange – Missouri	2/2016
Conference: AEE - Association of Experiential Education – Oregon	10/2015
Workshop: Content, Culture, & Cool (online teacher training) – McKendree University	5/2015
Conference: WEA – Outdoor Leadership Conference – Oklahoma	2/2015
Conference: NAI – National Association for Interpretation – Colorado	11/2014
Workshop: Mark Collard Teambuilding workshop – Arkansas	10/2014
Conference: EOE – European Outdoor & Experiential Education – Iceland	9/2014
Conference: Lilly conference on College and University Teaching - California	2/2014
Conference: AEE - Association for Experiential Education Colorado	10/2013
Conference: AORE Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education – Utah	11/2012
NOLS - Leave No Trace Master Educator course (5 days) Yellowstone	6/2012
Project WET, Learning Tree, & Wild Trainer Certification Course - Missouri	1/2012
Project WET training - Missouri	11/2011
Conference: Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education	2/2011
Workshop: Establishing Expectations that Increase Student Success	8/2009
Workshop: HHMI Grant funded "Life Science Learning Environments" (5 days)	8/2009
Workshop: Critical Thinking in the College Classroom	4/2009
Online Teaching certification course through Michigan Community Colleges	6/2009
Workshop: DTE Freshwater Institute at Univ. of Michigan Biology Station (5 days)	6/2005
Workshop: Science Education · Michigan Tech School of Forestry (2 days)	5/2003

International Experience

Extensive travel abroad

- Have traveled to 23 different countries for a combined total of 80 weeks of international study and travel.
 - -Through immersion in multiple countries for extended periods of time, I have developed intercultural competence and a deep appreciation for cultural differences. The skills, values, and behaviors I have learned through these experiences are demonstrated in the way I interact with those from different cultures and with different perspectives both at home and abroad.