LISA C. BALDERSTON

Adjunct Instructor

CONTACT

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OBJECTIVE

High-achieving adjunct professor of English and writing courses versed in classroom management and online instruction. Computer-savvy and dedicated to student success. Adept at creating an engaging curriculum and fostering student participation in both classroom and distant-learning environments. Highly effective at challenging students to express their knowledge and move beyond the basics of the subject matter.

EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Creative Writing and Literature

Fairleigh Dickinson University 2017-2019 (3.95 GPA)

Bachelor of Arts in English
San Diego State University

SKILLS

Knowledge of Canvas, Blackboard, Zoom, PowerPoint and Photoshop

Strong skills in writing, reading, analysis and critical thinking

Strong oral communicator and lecturer in the classroom

Effective written communicator to students and other staff members

Excellent teaching and motivational skills when working with individual students and encouraging them to

work to their potential Friendly, personable demeanor, making interactions with students

and colleagues pleasant Strong ability to stay organized regarding important deadlines

each semester.

EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor • Department of Literature, Journalism, Writing, and Languages Point Loma Nazarene University

August 2021 to Present

Current Courses: WRI 1016 — College Composition (Research)
WRI 1010 — College Composition (Writing & Research)

- Prepare course materials such as syllabus, homework assignments and handouts for 3 sections of 2 courses in the semester
- Deliver lectures to undergraduates on topics regarding fundamentals of grammar, punctuation, formats, mechanics, rhetoric and writing strategies
- Evaluate and graded students' classwork, assignments, quizzes, exams diagnostic essays and academic papers
- Plan, evaluate and revise curricula, course content, course materials and methods of instruction
- Maintain regularly scheduled office hours to assist students in person and online

Supplemental Instruction Leader/ Instructional Assistant/Tutor • English Department San Diego Miramar College 2017 –2019

- Work with ESOL, developmental English, transfer-level English and international students to teach grammar, reading, writing, and critical thinking
- Utilize variety of technologies and instructional methodologies to keep students engaged
- Mentor struggling students regarding course materials and other academic issues
- Develop lesson plans, organize course materials and keep students on-task
- Create a wide range of assignments, exercises and discussions to improve writing skills
- Create thought-provoking small and large group discussions and workshop assignments
- Work closely with professors, as mentors, in classroom management, pedagogy, assessment, lesson planning and presentation

Event Photographer/Business Owner Balderston Portraits

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- Photograph events with attention to portraits and photojournalistic style
- Generate advertisements, printed materials, websites, marketing displays
- Track, reconcile budgets and all documents (contracts, invoices, etc.)
- Coordinate schedule, appointments, events, administrative tasks outside of the office Process payments, maintain check receipts, ledgers, invoices/reconcile accounts