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Education

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE)

Master of Arts in Sociology 2008
- Emphasis in diversity, sustainability, and organizations
- Graduate Assistant in the Department of Sociology and Women's Studies Program

Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies 2005
- Minor in Sociology; Emphasis in Gender and Women's Studies
- Minor in Speech Communication; Emphasis in Public Speaking and Interpersonal Communication
- Abroad Study in Costa Rica: service-learning project with sustainability focus at Carara National Park

Experience

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE)

Lecturer of Sociology (SOC) 2008 – 2009
Instructor of Sociology (SOC) 2010 – Present
- Promoted to Tier I Instructor 2020 – 2022
- Promoted to Tier II Instructor 2022 – Present
- Maintain student-centered approach to secure engagement
- Evaluate students' learning, critical thinking, and comprehension
- Responsible for curriculum/ course design and selection of course materials
- Oversee undergraduate students' research and mentor students for career preparedness
- Mentor and hire graduate assistants
- Mentor to newly hired lectures and instructors in Sociology and other SIUE departments

Professional Appointments at SIUE

- IMPACT Pathways Fellow, Supervisor of IMPACT Pathways 2025 – Present
- Center for Teaching and Faculty Development's (CFDI) Peer Teaching Consultant 2023 – Present
- Vice President of NTTFA 2023 – Present
- IMPACT Development Fellow 2023 – 2024
 Developed sequencing of IMPACT trainings, created "Bringing Change..." workshop 2023
- Diversity Trainer as part of SIUE's inaugural (and continuing) IMPACT Academy 2020 – Present
 "Understanding Multiple Identities" 2023
 "Discovering the Seeds of Bias" 2023
 "Allyship a Title Bestowed" 2021-2022
 "Cultural Appropriation" 2021
 "Unpacking Whiteness, Privilege, and Acceptable Responses" 2020

Recent Awards, Recognitions, & Certifications

- Region 45 Member Award given by the Illinois Education Association	2026
- Certification in Mental Health First Aid	2026 – Present
- SIUE's 2024 Teaching Distinction Award Winner	2024
- Fostering a Culture of Belonging Badge earned through ACUE	2023 – Present
- Certification in Diversity Facilitator Training from NCCJ St. Louis	2022
- Nominee, Ed Roberts Champion of Accessibility, Defender of Equity Award	2022
- Nominee, SIUE's Difference Maker; student-nominated	2022
- Recipient, SIUE's Phenomenal Women Award; student-nominated	2018

Service

Service to the Department of Sociology

- Supervisor for SOC Employment Relations Program	2023 – Present
- Coordinator for SOC Applied Curriculum	2023 – Present
- Faculty Coordinator of Student Ambassadors	2018 – 2021
- Developer and instructor of undergraduate professionalization course (SOC 333)	2018 – 2022
- Organizer for #SOCLove Graduate Student Recruitment	2018-2019
- Advisor to the Sociology Club	2017 – 2020
- Mentor to new instructors and lecturers	2015 – Present
- Lead recruiter of Sociology majors	2010 – Present
- Mentor and supervisor to graduate assistants	2010 – 2023
- Undergraduate mentor to 10-20 Sociology majors each year	2010 – Present

Service to the University

- Co-Chair IS Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Diversity and Social Justice	2021 – 2023
- Contributor in SIUE's Anti-Racism Task Force	2020
- Trainer and Coordinator, SIUE's Safe Zone LGBTQIA+ Ally Training	2019 – Present
- Mentor to newly hired faculty under new NTTFA promotion process	2019 – Present
- Advisor to SIUE's Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) Student Organization	2019-2020
- Mentor to Integrative Students' Undergraduate Capstone Projects	2018-2020
- Contributor of First Semester Transition Curriculum; Diversity Committee	2018
- Member and Scholarship Fundraiser for SIUE's Safe Zone	2017 – Present
- Committee member for the College of Arts & Sciences Strategic Planning Committee	2017 – 2018