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## **Education**

- 2002 Cross-cultural Language and Academic Development (CLAD) Certificate  
Moorpark School District, Moorpark, California
- 1996 – 1998 California State Language Arts Specialist Credential  
California State University, Northridge
- 1981 M.A., Curriculum and Instruction  
California Professional Clear Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential  
California State University, Los Angeles
- 1976 - 1980 B.A., Multicultural Perspectives in Education  
California Preliminary Multiple Subject Teaching Credential  
University of California, Santa Cruz

## **Professional Experience**

- 2002 – Present Director, California Reading and Literature Project  
Senior Lecturer, Teacher Education Program
- EDSP 532 *Reading Procedures, Assessment and Remediation*
  - EDTP 521 *Literacy and Language in Diverse Classrooms*
  - EDTP 523 *Introduction to Student Teaching – Elementary*
  - EDTP 540 *Teaching in Diverse Classrooms – Elementary*
  - EDTP 520 *Leadership and Law in Diverse Classrooms- Elementary*
  - EDRD 564 *Differentiated Reading Instruction: Assessment and Remediation*
  - EDSP 525 *Inclusion/Transitions/Collaborations/with Diverse Learners*
  - EDSP 521 *Literacy and Language in Diverse Classrooms*
- California Lutheran University
- 2002-2011 Coordinator, California Reading Certificate Program

California Lutheran University

- 2005 – Present     Consultant, Implementation of research-based literacy strategy instruction for diverse elementary school  
Rio Del Norte Elementary School  
Oxnard, California
- 2005 – 2006        Consultant, K-6 teachers, focusing on effective comprehension instruction and reading fluency strategies  
Grace Christian Lutheran Academy  
Pasadena, California
- 2001 – Present     Facilitator, California Reading and Literature Project  
Teacher-leader, reading RESULTS Project  
Presentations focusing on phoneme awareness, phonics, comprehension strategies, team building, and spelling instruction  
California Lutheran University
- 2000 – 2003        Lead Trainer, Houghton-Mifflin  
Presenter, State of California (AB466) Language Arts Material Trainings to school districts  
Hueneme School District  
Port Hueneme, California
- 1997-2001         Reading Specialist
- Leader in school-wide reading assessment training and analysis
  - Development of school-wide guided reading library for reading intervention
  - Responsible for school- and district-wide literacy presentations
  - Creation and implementation of school-wide Literacy Coaching Program, providing coaching and support for developing highly effective literacy instructional practices
  - Director of literacy intervention/acceleration for students scoring in tenth percentile in reading assessments
  - Development and preparation of “How To Help Your Child Become a Better Reader” training sessions for parents of K-5 students
  - Coordination of direct teacher coaching and feedback on “best practices” supported by current research
  - Development and implementation of weekly Book Study Focus Groups focusing on effective comprehension instruction practices
  - Leader of professional development for educators throughout Pleasant Valley School District, Camarillo, California
- 2001 – 2002        Literacy Coach, District
- Creation and design of district “Literacy Coaching Handbook” utilized by Reading Specialists district-wide implementing effective literacy practices
  - Coordination of district trainings for Reading Specialists in *Guided Reading*, *Reciprocal Reading Instruction*, and *Powerful Reading Intervention*

- Utilization of cognitive coaching and mentoring techniques, coaching colleagues in 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade teaching positions in reading fluency assessment, instruction, and comprehension strategies, Pleasant Valley School District
- 1997 – 1998 Literacy Trainer, California State Board (AB 3482)
- Comprehensive Reading Leadership Program training to local board members, administrators, and teacher-leaders, Ventura County, California
- 1996 – 1998 Trainer/Support Provider, Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment (BTSA) Ventura County Superintendent of Schools, Camarillo
- Selected to train Ventura County administrators and teachers
  - Support Provider for new Ventura County teachers
- 1995 – 1996 Ventura County Liaison, Tri-County Reading Leadership Project Ventura County Superintendent of Schools
- Ventura County representation in Tri-County Reading Leadership Partnership development
  - Development of Resident Institute training administrators and teacher-leaders in effective literacy instruction
  - California State Board Literacy Trainer at State Reading Academy
- 1995 – 1996 Mentor Teacher (mathematics) Pleasant Valley School District
- Problem-solving professional development leadership
  - Attended California State Mathematics Institute (Fellow)
  - Development of assessment tools
- 1990 - 1995 Mentor Teacher (new teachers) Pleasant Valley School District
- Orientation leader and trainer of all newly certificated district teachers in lesson planning, time management, classroom management, and state standards-based instruction
- 1992 – 1996 Trainer, Scottish Storyline Curriculum Integration Southern California Region
- State-wide trainer of elementary teachers on curriculum integration
- 1997 – 1998 Subject Matter Projects Fellow University of California, Santa Barbara
- Participant, California State Department of Education in-depth training, Mathematics Project
- 1980 – 2005 Educator
- (1980-1981) Ypsilanti, Michigan, 6<sup>th</sup> grade
  - (1981-1985) El Monte, California, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades
  - (1985-2005) Camarillo, California, K, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades

- Cooperating Teacher, California Lutheran University and California State University, Northridge
- Mentor Teacher for beginning teachers (mathematics)
- Member California Distinguished Schools Committee (award recipient at two school sites)
- Committee member, District/Site leadership
- Coordinator, Summer school project
- Trainer, literacy assessment

## **Professional Affiliations**

2012 – present	Teaching Beyond the Textbook Professional Learning Community
2010 – present	Ventura County Reading Association
2010 – present	California Reading Association
2009 – present	California Lutheran University, Graduate School of Education Advisory Board
2007 – present	California Council on Teacher Education
2000 – present	California Reading and Literature Project Teacher Leader, Director (2008)
1997 – present	International Reading Association

## **Honors and Professional Awards**

- Best Paper Award – 2012 Orlando International Academic Conference, Orlando, FL
- President’s Diversity Council Mini Grant Recipient (multiple years)  
California Lutheran University
- Community Leaders Association Grant Recipient, California Lutheran University
- Hewlett Grant Recipient (2008, 2009, 2010), California Lutheran University
- Pleasant Valley Teacher of the Year, Pleasant Valley School District, Camarillo, California
- Chamber of Commerce Educator of the Month, Camarillo Chamber of Commerce
- Amgen Teacher Grant Recipient (4), Amgen Corporation, Newbury Park; Pleasant Valley School District, Camarillo, California
- Leadership Team, Distinguished School Award, Tierra Linda Elementary School, Camarillo, Bedford Open School, Camarillo
- Junior Women’s Club Teacher Educator Award Recipient, Camarillo Junior Women’s Club
- Honors in Educational Thesis, University of California, Santa Cruz

## **Grant Awards**

- California Reading and Literature Project, Request for Funding 2011-2014, \$84,700, annually

## **Community Service**

- Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara 7<sup>th</sup> Principal Advisory New Work Steering Committee (2012-2013)
- Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara Volunteer Connector Leader (2012-2013)
- Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara Sunday School Teacher Leader (2012-2013)
- CRLP Summer Literacy Workshop for 150 Ventura, Santa Barbara and Kern County Teachers and Administrators, “Shining a Light on Student Literacy Achievement (2012)
- Sponsor and Organizer of presentation by award winning author, Amada Irma Perez for community members, California Lutheran University (2012)
- Provided profession development for over 700 teachers with CRLP – 2011-2012)
- Professional Development provided for 60 Ventura and Santa Barbara County teachers in CRLP’s RALLI Action Research Project (2012-2013)
- Pediatric Lymphoma and Leukemia Society (2010)
- Church of the Foothills Mission Committee (2010)
- Director, literacy trainings for over 1000 teachers focusing on English Language Learners and Low Performing Students, California Reading and Literature Project (ongoing through CRLP)
- Sponsor and organizer of presentation by Pulitzer Prize Author, Sonia Nazario, about her new book *Enrique’s Journey* for 100 community members, California Lutheran University (2010)
- Professional development for 25 Ventura County teachers related to Reframing Teacher Leadership Action Research for the 2010-2011 academic year
- Summer Invitational on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning for 25 Teacher Leaders (2010)

## **Presentations**

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| 2013 | <p>CRLP RALLI Action Research Meeting<br/> “Powerful Components of Action Research”<br/> Thousand Oaks, California</p> <p>2013 CLUTE International Academic Conference<br/> “2013 RALLI Reframing Teaching Literacy Leadership”<br/> Maui, Hawaii</p>   |
| 2012 | <p>California Association of Bilingual Educators (CABE) Conference<br/> Literacy For All: RALLI and CALL for K-12 Educators<br/> Ventura, California</p> <p>2012 Orlando Academic Conference<br/> “Reframing Teacher Leadership: Academic Study Proposal”<br/> Orlando, Florida</p> <p>Pleasant Valley School District Administrators Meeting<br/> RALLI Presentation<br/> Camarillo, California</p> <p>California Reading and Literacy Project Statewide Executive Advisory Board<br/> “Planning and Implementing High Quality Professional Development”</p> |

Los Angeles, California

2011

Oxnard Union High School District Board Meeting  
“Content Area Language and Literacy”  
Oxnard, California

California Reading and Literature Project Kick-off Meeting for 2011-2012  
“Shining a Light on Student Literacy Achievement”  
Thousand Oaks, CA

California Association of Bilingual Educators (CABE) Conference  
“Action Research: How to Become A Teacher Researcher In Your Classroom”  
Ventura, California

California Reading and Literature Project: Pismo Leadership Retreat  
“Save the Last Word” Literature Study  
Pismo Beach, California

Pleasant Valley School District Administrator Meeting  
“California Reading and Literature Project Research Based Strategies and Assessments”  
Camarillo, California

Rio School District Results for English Learners Training  
“Research Based Fluency Instruction”  
Oxnard, California

Moorpark Unified School District Administrator Meeting  
“California Reading and Literature Project and Research Based Professional  
Development”  
Moorpark, California

Hawaii International Conference on Education  
“A Developmental English Proficiency Test: A study in the effectiveness of the ADEPT  
assessment on teacher candidate instructional planning for English Language Learners”  
Honolulu, Hawaii

2010

California Reading and Literature Project  
Reframing Teacher Leadership: “Developing Ourselves as Leaders” Professional  
Development and Action Research Series  
Thousand Oaks, California

Simi Valley Unified School District Administrator Meeting  
“Research Based Professional Development with the California Reading and Literature  
Project”  
Simi Valley, California

California Federation of Teachers Convention  
“Content Area Literacy and Academic Language Development”

Los Angeles, California

International College Teaching & Learning Conference

“A Developmental English Proficiency Test: A study in the effectiveness of the ADEPT assessment on teacher candidate instructional planning for English Language Learners”  
Las Vegas, Nevada

Rio School District Administrator Meeting

“Results for English Language Learners Literacy Framework and Overview”  
Oxnard, California

California Reading and Literature Project Summer Leadership Invitational  
“21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Skills”

Thousand Oaks, California

2009

Hawaii International Conference on Education

“Frontloading Language for English Learners: A Study in Progress on the Effect of Teacher Professional Development on Student Success in Reading”  
Honolulu, Hawaii

College of Teaching and Learning Conference

“Frontloading Language for English Learners: A Study in Progress on the Effect of Teacher Professional Development on Student Success in Reading”  
San Antonio, Texas

2008

2008 Finding Meaning Symposium

“The ongoing process of developing high quality Professional Development Schools”  
California Lutheran University

Liberal Studies Graduation Celebration

“The Jewels of Being an Elementary Teacher”  
California Lutheran University

2007

Rio Del Norte Professional Development

“Matching Books to Readers,” Rio Del Norte Elementary School  
Oxnard, California

2005

League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) High School Career Workshop  
“Teaching as a Profession – Giving Back to Your Community”  
California Lutheran University

2004

California State University, Fresno and California Lutheran University Pismo Leadership Retreat  
“Reading Comprehension: Implementing Effective Instructional Strategies”  
Pismo Beach, California

2003

“Phonics and Phonemic Awareness: The Foundation of Literacy Instruction”  
Pleasant Valley School District

Camarillo, California

- 2002 California Reading and Literature Project Summer Invitational  
“Team Building: Improving the Quality of Literacy Instruction”  
Thousand Oaks, California
- 1998 – 2000 Parent literacy empowerment, Pleasant Valley School District  
“How to Help Your Child Become a Better Reader”  
Camarillo, California

### **Training and Continuing Education**

- Common Core Strategic Planning for School and Site Leaders, VCOE, August 2012
- Common Core State Standards Toolkit Training, VCOE, August 2012
- Teaching for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Developing Creative, Critical and Reflective Thinkers, August 2012
- CRLP Results: Academic Language and Literacy Instruction Presenters’ Institute, April 2012
- Responsive Classroom Leadership Training, July 2011
- CRLP Content Area Language and Literacy Presenters’ Institute, April 2011

### **Publications**

- 2012 Myers, N., & Dillard, B., (2012) *An Action Research Project’s Impact on Teacher’s Leadership Attitudes and Perceptions*. Journal of College Teaching & Learning.  
ACCEPTED - PENDING PUBLICATION
- 2011 Myers, N., & Tucker, J., (2011) *A Developmental English Proficiency Test: A study in the effectiveness of the ADEPT Assessment on teacher candidate instructional planning for English Language Learners*. Journal of International Education Research, 1st Quarter, 2011 Issue, Volume 7, Number 1