

Education and Certification

M.A. in Origins and History of the United States, Miami University, graduated in August 2006.

B.A. in the Teaching of History for Secondary Education, The University of Illinois Chicago, graduated in 2000.

Type 09 Certification from the Illinois State Board of Education with endorsements in: Anthropology (High School), U. S. History (High School), and World History (High School).

Experience in Education and Related Fields

- 2008 – Present • Miami University • Assistant Director and Education Coordinator for the Myaamia Project.
- 2006 – Present • Myaamia Heritage Museum & Archive Board of Directors • Governing body of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma's Museum and Archive.
- 2005 – Present • Miami Tribe of Oklahoma • Planning assistant and assistant coordinator for Eewansapita Summer Educational Experience. Helped to develop the curriculum for an annual children's language and culture education program and aided in the coordination of program counselors during the course of the week long camp.
- 2007 – 2008 • Lindblom Math & Science Academy (Chicago Public Schools) Full Time Teacher: Honors World Studies and Honors U.S. History.
- 2004 – 2006 • Miami University • Graduate Assistant for American Studies 105 Sovereign Stories: a Film Series Exploring Contemporary Native America • Graduate Assistant for World History to 1500 and World History 1500 to Present.
- 2001 – 2003 • Northside College Preparatory High School (Chicago Public Schools) Full Time Teacher: Honors World Studies, Honors Psychology, Consumer Education, and a yearlong colloquium on the History of WWII.
- 2005 – Miami Tribe of Oklahoma • National Museum of the American Indian Virtual Museum Workshop • Counselor for a group of Miami youth working with Smithsonian staff to create a virtual museum of Miami objects at the Smithsonian.
- 2003 – 2004 • Simon Says Language Institute • Madrid, Spain • Taught English to adult professionals working for the Amena and Auna group.
- 2002 – 2003 • Northside College Preparatory High School • Head Men's Lacrosse Coach (2003), Assistant Men's Lacrosse Coach (2002).
- 2001 – Day-to-day substitute at William Howard Taft High School
- 1995 – 2004 • Miami Nation of Indiana Inc. • Assistant coordinator of language programs. Helped to plan and run activities involving Miami Indian language and culture for Miami Indian children and adults who attended the week long annual program.
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Publications

- Forthcoming – “*nahi meehtohseeniwinki: iilinweeyankwi neehi iši meehtohseeniwiyankwi aatotamankwi To Live Well: Our Language and Our Lives.*” To be published in Beyond Two Worlds eds. C. Joe Genetin-Pilawa and Jim J. Buss.
- 2009 – “*Myaamiaki neehi Myaamionki (The Miami People and Their Homelands): Experiences with Resistance and Change.*” Published in Miami University, 1809-2009: Bicentennial Perspectives ed. Curtis W. Ellison.
- 2008 – “*alikalakonci wiipicahkionki: Beyond the Place of Flint.*” Co-authored with Scott Shoemaker and published in American Indian Places ed. Francis Kennedy (2008).

Presentations and Papers

- 2008 – *Myaamiaki: myaamia neepwaantiinki*, 'Myaamia Education.' Presentation titled: “I come from the Miami Schoolhouse, there we say, ‘I teach because I learn.’”
- 2006 – Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture conference “Warfare and Society in Colonial North America and the Caribbean.” Paper titled: “We tell You if You are angry We are ready to receive You”: The Language of Violence in Miami, French, and British Conceptions of Warfare.”
- 2006 – *Myaamiaki: A Conference on Current Miami Tribe Scholarship*. Paper titled: “From *Akima* to *Maawikima* and Back Again: a Journey Through Miami Indian Leadership.”
- 2006 – Algonquin Languages Conference: Preservation and Reclamation of Indigenous Languages. Co-presentation with Wesley Leonard titled “Miami Youth Camp.”
- 2005 – Miami University Department of History – departmental presentation of “Living Life on the Edge”
- 2005 – Lecture for World History 197 – “Facing East from Tenochtitlan: Mexica Perceptions of the Spanish Invasion”
- 2005 – American Society for Ethnohistory conference on “Centering Lives in Border Spaces.” Paper titled: “Living Life on the Edge: the Value of Shared Space for the Miami Indian Village of Pickawillany”
- 2005 – Antioch University “Everyday Activism Symposium” presented on “Telling Miami Stories: Pickawillany/Pinkwi Mihtohseeniaki”

Language Skills

Myaamia - ten years experience with this American Indian language of Algonquian linguistic stock. Functional speaker and intermediate reader.

Spanish – nine months abroad experience in Madrid, Spain and two years (16 credit hours) college level experience. Intermediate speaker and upper-intermediate reader

Fellowships and Academic Awards

- Century Fellowship – Teaching Assistantship (combined) – The University of Chicago: Department of History
- Graduate Student Teaching Award – Miami University – College of Arts and Sciences
- Graduate Assistantship Miami University: Department of History 2004-06