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EDUCATION and TEACHING QUALIFICATION

University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), LA, CA 1994
Master of Arts in Italian Literature and Language

University of Florence, Florence, Italy 1989
Laurea in Storia e Grammatica della Lingua Italiana

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructional Associate Professor 2021-present
First and Second Year Italian language

Instructional Assistant Professor 2010-2020
First and Second Year Italian Language

Lecturer in Italian, University of Houston 2005 to 2009
First and Second Year Italian and Conversation

Italian Instructor, Italian Cultural Center, Houston 2001 to 2006
Instructor in Italian Conversation

Italian Instructor, Houston Grand Opera 1996-1997
Instructor in Italian Grammar and Conversation

Italian Instructor, Italian Cultural Center, Houston 1994-1996
Instructor in Italian Grammar and Conversation

Teaching Assistant at UCLA, LA, California 1992-1994
Teaching Assistant in Italian Grammar

Substitute Teacher, High School, Italy 1990-1991
Teacher of Italian Literature

APPOINTMENTS

Graduate Advisor for the WCL Master program 2015 to present

SERVICES University of Houston

Language Coordinator for Italian Studies for the 1st and 2nd year 2010-present

Coordinator of Italian Scholarships 2010-present

Advisor for the WCL Master program 2014-present

Administrator of the Italian Placement Exam 2010-present

Creator of the Annual Italian Schedule for Italian Studies 2010-present

Liaison between Circolo Italiano Uh and Italian Studies Program 2019-present

Liberal Studies Assessment Committee 2021-2023

Member, MCL, FEC (on NTT promotion, review) 2022-2023

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Member of Plida Committee

Member of CILS Committee

Member of Italo Calvino Contest Committee

Member of the Osservatorio della Lingua Italiana

Founder and Member of the Concorso Letterario Italiano

Liaison from Uh and Italy-America Chamber of Commerce

Liaison between local High Schools with Italian Programs

AWARD AND RECOGNITION

Ross M. Lence Award for Teaching Excellence 2011

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES

Italian Translator, St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, Houston 1994-1996

Part -Time Business Operator 1980-1991
Operator of a small retail shop in Italy

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS ATTENDED

MIRABILIS Contestant Nov. 2023
IASA 2019 Houston Conference Oct-Nov 2019
Convegno ACTFL, New Orleans Nov. 2018
CLICK Summer Workshops for L2 Teachers, Rice University May 2017
Translation Theory Seminar, by Franco Nasi, Houston Mar.2016

Professional Workshop for Italian Teachers organized by ICON, Italy
Italian Community and Cultural Center Nov. 2015
Convegno ACTFL, San Antonio Nov. 2014
Convegno ACTFL, Convention of the American Council on the
Teaching of Foreign Language, Orlando, FL Nov. 2008
Convegno ACTFL, San Antonio TX Nov. 2007
Convegno ACTFL, Nashville, TN Nov 2006
(Member of the Focus Group for Percorsi, L'Italia attraverso la
lingua e la cultura, by Irene Marchegiani and Francesca Italiano)
Professional Development Workshop for Italian Teachers, Sept. 2006
University of Houston
Convegno AATI-AAIS, Joint Convention of the American May 2006
Association of Teachers of Italian and the American Association
of Italian Studies. Palazzo Ducale, Genova, Italy.
Convegno ACTFL, Convention of the American Council on the Nov. 2005
Teaching of Foreign Languages, Baltimore, MD

EDITORIAL ASSISTANCE:

La luce migliore. Poeti americani in Italia.
Anthology ed. by Alessandro Carrera and Thomas J.Simpson. Milan:
Edizioni Medusa, 2006. Pp276.
Language advisor for Gregory Poulin in creation of CD 2019

MEMBERSHIP

AAIS, American Association for Italian Studies
AATI, American Association of Teachers of Italian
Italian Cultural & Community Center
Gamma Kappa Alpha, Italian Honor Society, University of Houston

LANGUAGES

Italian, native language
English, near-native
Spanish , fluent

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