

Jared Westover

Education

- M.A., English, Portland State University, Portland, Oregon 2010
- M. Ed., Education Leadership, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon 2002
- B.A., English, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon 2001
- 30 additional graduate credits in Communications, Composition, Education and English

Teaching Experience

North Lake College • Irving, TX • 2014-Present

- Freshman and Sophomore composition and rhetoric
- Research methodology
- Visual and literary analysis
- Certified to teach online
- Faculty Coach: led faculty training in online tools and methodology
- Created and curated the English department's repository of teaching tools, lesson plans and course outlines

Linn Benton Community College • Albany, OR • 2012-2013

- Reading strategies, student success skills and essay development

Lane Community College • Eugene, OR • 2009-2014

- Introduction to grammar and paragraph writing
- College level essay writing and critical thinking
- Effective study skills and learning methods
- Taught reading, writing and literary analysis classes exclusively for international students
- Taught online and hybrid writing classes
- Led workshops in the Academic Learning Skills Department on integrating technology into the college classroom
- Participated in training on creating OER classrooms and online courses.

Portland State University • Portland, OR • 2009-2010

- Instructor for Writing 121, focusing on analysis and rhetorical strategies
- Graduate Assistant in the English Department, organizing department activities and trainings
- Writing Consultant, extensive experience tutoring ESL students in writing and grammar through the PSU Writing Center

Hermiston High School • Hermiston, OR • 2002-2008

- Speech and debate coach and forensics instructor
- Developed and taught AP classes in both English and rhetoric; four years training at AP Institute in Bellevue, Washington
- College Board trained in Springboard, an online secondary curriculum
- Newspaper and Journalism Advisor
- Professional Development Council Member—planned, coordinated, and trained colleagues in critical subject areas across the school district
- Authored and secured a three-year partnership grant with the Oregon Shakespeare Festival

Conference Presentations

- “Eliminating Ineffectual Technology from the Language Arts Classroom.” The Inter-Mountain Education Forum, sponsored by the Umatilla/Morrow County ESD, Pendleton, OR.
- “Considerations when Replacing Textbooks with Open Education Resources in College Classrooms.” Higher Education Technology Forum, North Texas Community College Consortium, Dallas, TX.
- “Increasing the Passing Rate of At-Risk Students in the Language Arts Classroom.” University of Oregon’s College of Education Master’s Thesis Conference, Eugene, OR.

Skills and Awards

- Extensive knowledge of differentiated instruction curriculum models
- Experienced in writing and securing grants, implementing project guidelines and coordinating grant administration
- Skilled in using online teaching tools such as Prezi, Soft Chalk, Jing, Blackboard and many others
- Certified Oregon State Writing Test scorer
- Extensive body of work in digital media and filmmaking
- Umatilla/Morrow County ESD Crystal Apple Award recipient

Professional Memberships

- Modern Language Association
- National Differentiated Instruction Association
- National Association for Bilingual Education
- National Council of Teacher of English
- Two-year mission in Houston, Texas 1994-1996

