

Monica Marchi

AREAS OF INTEREST: Italian American literature, Chicano/a literature, African American literature, Native American literature, Cultural Studies, Language Acquisition

EDUCATION

- University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX Fall 2018
PhD English program,
Dissertation: *Italian American Literature and Food: A Match Made in the Kitchen*
- Università Ca' Foscari, Venice, Italy Summer 2006
M.A. in Pedagogy and Promotion of the Italian Language and Culture to Foreigners, with a specialization in Teaching Italian as a Second Language
Thesis: *Autovalutarsi per valutare meglio (Self-evaluating to Better Evaluate)*
- Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas, M.A., English Winter 1991
Thesis: *The Many Lives of J. California Cooper*
- Università degli Studi di Bologna, Bologna, Italy Summer 1988
B.A.: Major: Foreign Languages (English, Spanish, and German)
Thesis: *La narrativa di Saki (H.H. Munro) {The Narrative of Saki (H.H. Munro)}*
- European School, Reggio Emilia, Italy Summer 1984
Diploma: Foreign Languages (English, German, and Spanish)

CERTIFICATION

- Certified by the State of Texas, English and Spanish (Secondary) Spring 1995

AWARDS

- Harriett Griffin Award, Summer 2006
- Teacher of the year, Paschal High School, 2006-07
- Rotary, Teacher of the Year, 2006-07
- Certificate of Appreciation: Favorite Professor (TCU Bachman Hall) for the Academic Year 2004-2005
- Donation by student, Santiago Lara, to the Senior Appreciation Program: donation is given to express "appreciation to the role the teacher had played in the student's life" 2003- 2004

PUBLICATIONS

- STET*, UTA Literary Journal: Spring 2015
From *Growing Stronger: Poems*
- The African American Literary Review*:
- Review: *Monnew* by Ahmadou Kourouma Summer 1994
 - Fiction Review: *Through the Iron Gate* by Rita Dove Spring 1994
 - Review: *Autobiography of a Lonely Man* and *If Ever*
by Robert Holt Fall 1993
- English in Texas*, Vol. 26.4: Summer 1995
From *Living and Feeling: A Poem Collections*

CONFERENCES

- DCCCD Spring Technology Conference, Irving, TX
“Adjusting Your Teaching Style: From Face-to-Face to Online Teaching”
April 21, 2017
- SCMLA, Dallas, Texas: “Retention Issues in Online Italian Classes” November 5, 2016
- ACES, UTA: “Going against the ‘Old Ways:’ The Evolvement of Italian American Women’s Agency” March 26, 2014
- ACES, UTA: “Tomás Rivera: y no se lo tragó la tierra: A Corrido sin música”
March 23, 2013

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Viva l’italiano*, Italian grammar book
- Lucia Semprefelice*, young adult historical fiction

PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Adjunct Faculty-English* Fall 2016-Present
Tarrant County College, Fort Worth, Texas

Dual Credit, English 1301 and 1302

Adjunct Faculty-Italian

Eastfield College, DCCCD, Mesquite Texas
Online Italian, 1311, 1411 and 1412

Spring 2015-Present

Italian and Spanish Teacher

R.L. Paschal High School, Fort Worth, Texas
Courses currently teaching:

Spanish for Business Law and Medical Personnel (Spanish 6Honors),
Italian 1, 2, 3H, 4AP and Native Speakers 1/2

8/2005-Present

R.L. Paschal High School
AVID 4

Fall 2014 to Spring 2016

Lecturer

Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas
Modern Languages and Literatures Department;
Language taught: Italian 10153, 10163, 20053, 20063

8/2004-5/2005

Adjunct Faculty-Italian

Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas
-Implemented Italian program and taught Italian 10153,10163,
20053, and 20063.

8/2000 - 2004

Italian and Spanish Teacher

R.L. Paschal High School, Fort Worth, Texas
-Courses taught: all levels of Spanish and Italian

10/95 – 8/2004

ESL Instructor

Tarrant County College, Northwest Campus, Fort Worth, Texas
-Part-time instructor of grammar and oral/composition

8/94 - 5/96

Tutor

TCU William L. Adams Writing Center, Fort Worth, Texas
-Part-time instructor for ESL and native speakers

Summer 1995

Substitute Teacher, Fort Worth Independent School District

Spring 1995

Private Italian tutor, Fort Worth, Texas

1989 – Present

Italian Instructor

Texas Christian University Extended Education Office, Fort Worth, Texas
-Created and taught a course titled “Italian for Tourists”

12/89 – 05/01

Private English tutor, Reggio Emilia, Italy

1979 – 1988

LEADERSHIP

- Served on the FWISD Macro Team for Curricula Design Spring 2017
- Served on the FWISD Book Selection Committee for Italian book adoption. Fall 2016
- R.L. Paschal World Languages Department Chair Fall 2013-Present
- Served as Leader and curriculum writer for the FWISD Spanish curriculum
- Served as expert for the Texas Education Agency for the Standard Setting Initiative for Teachers of Italian Summer 2010
- Spearheaded the founding of the TCU Italian Club. Spring 2000
- R.L. Paschal World Languages Department Chair Spring 1998-Fall 2004
- Sponsored Paschal Hispanic Society, Panthers for Pets, and Ebony Club.

INTERPRETING EXPERIENCE

- Sister Cities International, 1988 – Present
- Official Interpreter for the World Baseball Championship, Reggio Emilia, Italy, September 1988
- Official Interpreter, Reggio Emilia Baseball Club, Reggio Emilia, Italy, 2/87 – 8/88
Also in charge of contacting foreign players and conducting negotiations.

MAJOR TRANSLATION ASSIGNMENTS

- Sister Cities International, 1988 – Present
- Carter Burgess, Fort Worth, Texas, March 1996
- Fort Worth Opera, 1999
- DLS System, Summer 2000
- Il Sigillo's Web site, Summer 2000
- Frontier Metro Movie Production, Spring 2002
- TV Strategy Group, Spring and Summer 2002
- Collaborated with the TCU Institute of Behavioral Research (Fall 2003 –Spring 2004)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Association of Teachers of Italian
- South Central MLA