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## Education

- 2014-2016 Master of Arts in Linguistics: *West Virginia University (Morgantown, WV)*  
2003 - 2006 Bachelor of Arts in TESOL: *Instituto Carlos Linneo (Oberá, ARGENTINA)*
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## Teaching experience

- 2014 - 2016 Spanish Graduate Teaching Assistant: *West Virginia University*  
2010 - 2014 English as Foreign Language Instructor and School Head: *de Paula School of English (Oberá, ARGENTINA)*  
2008 - 2014 English as Foreign Language Instructor and Department Coordinator: *Bachillerato Orientado Provincial Número 3 (Campo Viera, ARGENTINA)*  
2008 - 2009 Spanish Language Teaching Assistant: *Pfeiffer University (Misenheimer, NC)*  
2005 - 2008 English as Foreign Language Instructor: *Escuela Normal Superior Número 4 (Oberá, ARGENTINA)*  
2004, 2005 Summer Camp Counselor: *Outlaw Ranch (Custer, SD)*  
2004 English as Foreign Language Instructor: *Instituto Carlos Linneo (Oberá, ARGENTINA)*
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## Research Experience

- 2016 MA thesis: "The Sound System of Misiones Mbya" (Thesis advisor: Dr. Katz, Jonah).  
2014-2015 Prepared research manuscripts for methodology and analysis courses:
  - Research Methods: "On the mutual intelligibility of Spanish and English: Symmetric or asymmetric?"
  - Phonology: "Nasality in two near native speakers of Guaraní"
  - Advanced Phonology: "An acoustic analysis of Guaraní vowels" Advanced Syntax: "The structure of simple affirmative and negative sentences in Guaraní"
  - Sociolinguistics: "The representations of the Guaraní/Mbyá language and their speakers in Misiones, Argentina"
  - Hispanic Linguistics: "La entonación del español hablado en Misiones, Argentina (Intonation of Misiones, Argentina Spanish)"
- 2006 Undergraduate research paper: "Some internal and external factors affecting the performance of Phonetics and Phonology Students"
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## Other professional and academic activities

- 2014 Presentation and workshop: "Getting started with the CEFR" for the annual AEXALEVI convention (*Universidad de Museo Social Argentino, Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA*)  
2013 Presentation: "Using the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference) at a language school" for the annual AEXALEVI convention (*Aconcagua University, Mendoza, ARGENTINA*)  
2013 - 2014 Treasurer of the Association of English Teachers of Misiones (Argentina)  
2011 Presentation: "Practical Tips and Ideas for the ESL classroom" financed by the Fulbright Commission (*Oberá, ARGENTINA*)  
2011 - 2013 Member of the International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language (IATEFL)  
2010 - 2014 Member of the Association of English Teachers of Misiones (Argentina)  
2009 Presentation: "Argentine culture and traditions" at Pfeiffer University (*Misenheimer, NC*)
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## Scholarships, awards and grants

- 2014 MA thesis research grant. Granted by the Elkins Fund at WVU.  
2011 Best Practice in State Education Scholarship. Granted by the University of Cambridge, England  
2008 Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Scholarship. Granted by the Fulbright Commission and the Ministry of Education of Argentina.  
2006 Graduated top of the class (BA in TESOL)

