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**Program Coordinator and Associate Professor
Sign Language Studies Program
Southwestern Illinois College**

EDUCATION: Arkansas Leadership Institute, Ferndale, Arkansas
February 1998 (1.5 year program)
National Executive Leadership Institute in Rehabilitation Certificate, 1998

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas
August 1996 - May 1997
Master of Science in Rehabilitation Research and Education, 1997
Magna Cum Laude

John Brown University
August 1994 – December 1995
Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management, 1995
Magna Cum Laude

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas
August 1993 – 1994
Transferred to John Brown University

Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York
August 1985 – 1986
Associate in Applied Science Degree, 1986
Magna Cum Laude

CONTINUING EDUCATION:

St. Louis Community College/FVCC, Florissant, MO
Interpreting in the Legal Setting: Focus on Civil Scenarios and Jury Instructions
November 22 – 24, 2002

Missouri ASLTA
Teaching ASL w/Tom Riggs
February 8, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Orientation – Career Placement
March 5, 2003

American Sign Language Teachers Association
National Professional Development Conference
April 10 – 13, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Orientation – Classroom Management
April 16, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL

Powerful Presentations
May 7, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Powerful Presentations – Beyond the Basics
June 9, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
“Writing Across the Curriculum Workshop” by JoAnn Vogt from University of MO
– Columbia
August 22, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Orientation – Testing and Success Centers
September 17, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Orientation – Counseling Center and Special Services
October 1, 2003

Missouri Statewide Interpreters Conference
October 17 – 19, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Orientation – Public Safety and Library Research Databases
October 22, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Excel Gradebook Workshop
October 28, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Orientation – Fitness Center and Student Activities
November 12, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
“Chair/Coordinator Training Session: “Common Issues and On Course Degree
Audit System”
November 19, 2003

Illinois Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Statewide Interpreter Training Task Force
December 3, 2003

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
WebCT Boot Camp 1 Workshop
January 12, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
“Chair/Coordinator Training Session: FERPA and SIS Issues”
February 27, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Orientation – Red Bud Campus
March 3, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Migrating to GroupWise 6.5
June 10, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Chair/Coordinator Training Session
SIS Prerequisite Screens
July 7, 2004

St. Louis Community College/FVCC
Silent Weekend
October 8 - 10, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Outcomes Assessment Workshop
October 25, 2004

Missouri Statewide Interpreters Conference
October 29 – 31, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Chair/Coordinator Training Session
DISC Workstyles Behavior
November 10, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Outcomes Assessment Forms Workshop
November 22, 2004

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Motivating “At Risk” Students: Strategies for Reaching Them and Teaching Them
January 13, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
PeopleSoft – Financial Reporting I
January 31, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Chair/Coordinator Training Session
Scheduling and Staffing Issues
February 9, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
“The Dog Ate My Paper... and Other Excuses Students Give. Coaching Students
to Improved Performance.”
February 22, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Chair/Coordinator Training Session
Adjunct Faculty Staffing & Evaluations
April 1, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
New Faculty Meeting
Panel Discussion with Members of the President's Staff
April 27, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
"End User Security Awareness" Workshop
August 18, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
"Generation NeXt Comes to College" Workshop
August 19, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
"Smart Classroom" Workshop
August 25, 2005

St. Louis Community College/FVCC
Silent Weekend
October 8 – 10, 2005

Professional Development Conference, Las Vegas, NV
ASLTA Certification
November 6 – 8, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Classroom Assessment Techniques Workshop
November 29, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Chair/Coordinator Training Session
Adjunct Faculty Evaluation Process
December 2, 2005

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Smart Classroom Workshops
January 9, 2006

Southwestern Illinois College, Waterloo, IL
Sounds of Silence Weekend Retreat
February 17 – 19, 2006

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
FISH! Creating a Positive Work Environment Seminar
June 7, 2006

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Conducting Successful Interviews Workshop
June 27, 2006

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Intermediate Powerpoint
October 10, 2006

St. Louis Community College/FVCC
Silent Weekend
November 9-11, 2007

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Classroom Activities and Their Impact on Retention
January 8, 2007

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Safe Zone Training
January 9, 2007

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Allied Health Discussion Group
February 27, 2007

Worlds Largest Silent Weekend, Orlando, FL
June 26-31, 2007

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL
Sounds of Silence Weekend Retreat
April 4-6, 2008

Worlds Largest Silent Weekend, Orlando, FL
June 24 – 29, 2008

EMPLOYMENT:

Senior Counselor/Interim Executive Director/Interpreter
SOURCES, Inc.
Fayetteville, Arkansas
October 2001 – October 2003

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor for the Deaf
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
St. Louis, Missouri
October 2000 – October 2001

Interpreter Coordinator
Missouri Commission for the Deaf
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Jefferson City, Missouri
June 2000 – September 2000 (Transferred to St. Louis)

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor III and Certified Interpreter (Level 3)
Arkansas Rehabilitation Services
Fayetteville, Arkansas
June 1997 – May 2000

**PROFESSIONAL
AFFILIATIONS:**

Member – RID (Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf)
2000 - Present

Member – CIT (Conference of Interpreter Trainers)
2002 – Present

Member - ADARA (American Deafness and Rehabilitation Association)
2003 – Present

Member – MoASLTA (Missouri American Sign Language Teachers Association)
2003 – Present

Member – Advisory Committee
John A. Logan Community College, Carterville, IL
2003 - Present

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Executive Board Member/Secretary - RTR
(St. Louis Metro Round Table of Representatives on Deafness, Inc.)
2003 - Present

Vice President
MoDARA
2003 – Present

Consultant
Paraquad, Inc.
2003 – Present

Executive Director
RTR Deaf Community Center
2004 – Present

Executive Board Member and Consultant
LINC, INC. (Living Independently Now, Inc.)
2003 – 2005 (Term expired)

Sign Language Instructor
First Baptist Church, Columbia, Illinois
2003 - 2005

Workshop Presenter:

“Using Interpreters during a Job Interview”
Paraquad, Inc., St. Louis, MO
(Multiple presentations)

“Interpreters and Title 3 of the ADA”
LINC, Inc. (July 2004)

Peer Consultation with affiliated colleges:
Florissant Valley Community College
John A. Logan Community College

SERVICES TO THIS COLLEGE:

SWIC Sign Language Club Sponsor
2002 - Present

Police Academy: Deaf Awareness Presentations
2002 – Present

Speaker's Bureau
2003 – Present

Counseling Advisory Committee
2005 – 2007

Civic and Social Awareness Committee
2006 – 2007

Bookstore Liaison – Allied Health
2006 - Present

**CURRENT TEACHING
RESPONSIBILITIES:**

<u>Fall Semester:</u>	<u>Credit Hours:</u>
SLS 101 American Sign Language 1 (2 sessions)	5
SLS 110 Intro. to the American Deaf Community	3
SLS 105 Field Experiences	2
Coordination release hours	7
<u>Spring Semester:</u>	
SLS 100 Non-Verbal Communications	2
SLS 102 American Sign Language 2 (2 sessions)	5
SLS 110 Deaf Studies/Culture	3
SLS 155 Field Experiences	2
Coordination release hours	7
<u>Summer Semester:</u>	
Coordination release hours	7