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Education

B.A. in Languages and Applied Linguistics (5 years, Licenciatura degree)

University of Seville (2004)

M.A. in Teaching Spanish as a Foreign Language

Pablo de Olavide University (2011)

PhD in Applied Linguistics and Education

Flinders University (Thesis submitted January 2020, waiting for results)

Other Qualifications

1 year Translation Course

Erasmus Hogeschool Brussels (2003)

C.A.P (National Secondary Teacher Qualification)

University of Seville (2006)

TOEFL IBT English Certificate (106/120 points) - Equivalent to CEFR C2. (May 2014)

Work experience

∞ **January 2006-February 2020 - Freelance Translator**

Translator

Translation of general and technical texts from English to Spanish and Spanish to English. I have translated from literary texts, to instruction manuals. Latest large commission:

June 2015-June 2016. Nomad Garden

Translator

Translation from Spanish into English of historical/artistic text to be used for the official app of the monument of the Alcazar Palace in Seville.

∞ **March 2017-February 2020 - CEO Connected Minds Teacher Academy - Educational consultant.**

Workshop presenter and school curriculum consultant about Project Based Learning, Soft Skills, Social and Emotional Learning and Flipped Classroom for professional training of teachers in Australia, Sri Lanka and Europe.

<https://www.connectedmindsteacheracademy.com/>

Some of the main clients and commissions undertaken recently:

*February 2020 – Europass Teacher Academy (Seville)

Head Teacher trainer

Design and teaching of a one-week intensive courses for European teachers as part of the Erasmus Plus KA1 actions. The courses were on Flipped classroom and Soft Skills.

*December 2019 – Europass Teacher Academy (Seville)

Head Teacher trainer

Design and teaching of a one-week intensive courses for European teachers as part of the Erasmus Plus KA1 actions. The courses were on Soft Skills and Project Based Learning.

*November 2019 – Alpha Bank (Bucharest)

Instructor of Teachers' professional development

Design and teaching of a one-week intensive courses on Project Based Learning for Romanian teachers.

*August 2019 – Europass Teacher Academy (Dublin)

Instructor of Teachers' professional development

Design and teaching of a one-week intensive courses for European teachers as part of the Erasmus Plus KA1 actions. The course was on soft skills for teachers.

*March-April 2019 – Europass Teacher Academy (Florence)

Instructor of Teachers' professional development

Design and teaching of 2 one-week intensive courses for European teachers as part of the Erasmus Plus KA1 actions. The courses were on Project Based Learning and on soft skills for teachers.

∞ August 2018-October 2018- Flinders University

Lecturer in the Master of Education

Design and teaching of the master topic Visualising FL with two cohorts, one fully online and another face to face using flipped classroom and group work.

∞ May 2018 –Flinders University

Workshop presenter

Design and teaching of a 2 hours workshop on PBL for Master students of Education at Flinders University.

∞ May 2018 –Spanish Association of Teachers of South Australia (STASA)

Conference presenter

Design and teaching of a 2 hours workshop on PBL for teachers of Spanish as a foreign language during their annual conference.

∞ March 2018-May 2018. Flinders University

Spanish lecturer

Teaching of Spanish language for university students at an intermediate level, also the correction of composition and exams.

∞ April –May 2018. Adelaide Spanish School

Spanish teacher

Teaching of Spanish for beginner and intermediate levels at a language school.

- ∞ **January-December 2017. Flinders University**
Conference co-organizer
 Co-organization of WHIP Conference at Flinders University, mindfulness workshop for PhD students and outreach activities during the year. Graphic designer for the conference poster and web designer for the main website:
<https://flinderswhip.wixsite.com/conference>

- ∞ **May-October 2016. Flinders University**
Spanish Language lecturer
 Design and teaching of Spanish language course using Project Based Learning for year 2 Higher Education students.

- ∞ **October 2016. Flinders University**
Workshop Instructor
 Two workshops on my research about Project Based Learning for Second Languages with new technologies to students of the master's in education for Teaching Foreign Languages.

- ∞ **October-December 2015. Canberra Language School**
Spanish tutor
 Design of material and tutoring in Spanish for a civil servant of the South Australian Government.

- ∞ **August 2014-October 2014. UNIR. Universidad de la Rioja**
Volunteer Online Teacher Trainer
 Design and teaching of course on new technologies applied to learning for university professors in Paraguay.
 Sample class link: <http://unir.adobeconnect.com/p3kd4jw6ug4/>

- ∞ **June 2013-July 2013. San Francisco de Paula School. Seville.**
Summer camp coordinator and curriculum leader
 Design and teaching of English language and Arts in an afterschool programme.

- ∞ **November 2011-June 2012. San Francisco de Paula School. Seville.**
English Teacher for PYP and MYP levels, IB programme
 Teaching of English to Primary and Secondary students and also coordination of international project course for bilingual gifted students designing a Virtual Learning Environment in the Oracle platform Thinkquest.

- ∞ **February 2011-May 2011. University of Seville. Instituto de Idiomas**
English instructor
 Teaching English to University students and adults with levels A2 y C1.

- ∞ **January 2010-June 2010. San Francisco de Paula School Sevilla**
English teacher for MYP and DP, IB programme
 Teaching and planning English classes for students from 12-18 years old.

- ∞ **September 2008-January 2010. Academy San Jeronimo**
Coordinator of after school programme
 Design, teaching and administration of after school academy managing teachers from all subjects and teaching English and Spanish.

- ∞ **May 2006-January 2010. Freelancer**
Freelance Spanish teacher/Educational Coordinator/ Tour guide-organizer
 Design of syllabus and teaching of Spanish for professional expats, adults and children in Seville and via the internet with Skype. Coordinator of outdoor educational activities for schools and Tours around Spain, Portugal and Morocco.
- ∞ **September 2005-May 2006. Instituto San Fernando de la Lengua Española**
Spanish teacher and commercial agent
 Teaching all levels of Spanish classes to American and European students from ages 12 to 18. Contacting schools in the US and offering courses and visits.
- ∞ **August 2004-May 2005 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA**
Teaching fellow of Spanish language
 Teaching basic and intermediate Spanish to University students.
- ∞ **March 2004-August 2004. European Commission IPTS Seville**
Secretary/Editor/technologies advisor
 Organizing agendas, taking minutes during meetings, organizing department events, revising and editing English scientific documents in Word and Excel mainly about global environmental issues, solving technical problems related to editing software like Microsoft Word and EndNote.
- ∞ **June 2003-March 2004. University of Seville**
International Student Advisor
 Assisting international students arriving to the University of Seville with issues related to accommodation, visa, academic paperwork and emotional problems.

Publications

“Creación de tareas integradas para jóvenes y adultos usando WebQuest”- Workshop article taught and published in 22nd ASELE International Congress: “La Red y sus Aplicaciones en la Enseñanza-Aprendizaje del Español como Lengua Extranjera”, Edited by: Carmen Hernández González, Antonio Carrasco Santana and Eva Álvarez Ramos (eds.), 2012. I.S.B.N: 978-84-616-0311-4

“CLIL en la enseñanza de español para extranjeros: Una propuesta de trabajo con WebQuests”- Master dissertation published in Marcoele magazine number 13, July-December 2011. ISSN 1885-2211 <http://marcoele.com/suplementos/clil-y-webquests/>

Conference Presentations

- ∞ Spring Conference 2018, October 2018. Flinders University.
- ∞ WHIP Conference 2016, April 2016. Flinders University.
- ∞ WHIP Conference 2015, April 2015. Flinders University
- ∞ Workshop on 23rd September 2011 at ASELE international congress about the use of webquests according to CLIL methodology.

Scholarships Awarded

| Scholarship | Value |
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| Flinders International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (2015-2019) | 130,000 AUD |
| Spanish Education Ministry Scholarship for master's degree Fees (2010-2011) | 2,000 Euros |
| University of Sevilla Exchange Fellowship for Lecturers in the US (2004-2005) | 20,000 USD |
| University of Sevilla Traineeship for the international Relations Department (2003-2004) | 6,000 Euros |
| Spanish Education Ministry Travel abroad scholarship for the enhancement of foreign languages (destination New York) (2000) | 3,500 Euros |

Volunteering/Other

- ∞ Volunteer for the Latin American Film Festival (LAFF) of Adelaide in 2017 and 2018
- ∞ Performance for the Hearth Collective event "Hunger" with a collection of poems. July/2016. <https://thehearthsite.wordpress.com/contributors/hunger-july-2016/>
- ∞ Performance for the Hearth Collective event in the Adelaide Fringe Festival 2017 with a storytelling piece. March/2017
- ∞ Volunteer as Spanish guest speaker, designing an old times games workshop, at Fairview Park Primary School, South Australia. November 2016.
- ∞ Volunteer interpreter for Spanish theatre group Patricia Pardo at the Adelaide Fringe Festival, 2017.
- ∞ Volunteer interpreter and PA at the Brussel's BIFF international Festival (2003) and Seville's Movie Festival (2009).

Referees

1. Mr. David Baroni

Director of Europass Teacher Academy and European Project Manager.
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2. Dr. Mirella Wyr

Senior Lecturer in Language Education at Flinders University.
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3. Ms. Grace Chipperfield

PhD candidate at Flinders University in English and Creative writing. WHIP co-organiser.
Relationship: Colleague and co-organiser of the WHIP Conference and postgraduate association activities.
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