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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of Iowa, 2003
Program in Language, Literacy, and Culture
Division of Curriculum and Instruction, College of Education
Dissertation: *An Ethnographic Study of Students Learning Culture in a Summer Intensive Japanese Course*
- M.A. Pennsylvania State University, 1994
Comparative Literature and Women's Studies Minor
- B.A. Okayama University, Japan
Education (with emphasis on Educational Psychology and English Education)

TEACHING RECORD

At Indiana University

Fall 2017 to present Senior Lecturer

Spring 2013 to Spring 2017 Lecturer

Courses taught at IU:

EALC J-101 (Elementary Japanese I)
J-102 (Elementary Japanese II)
J-110 (Japanese Advanced Beginners)
J-201 (Second-year Japanese I)
J-202 (Second-year Japanese II)
J-301 (Third-year Japanese I)
J-302 (Third-year Japanese II)
J-401 (Fourth-year Japanese I)
J-491 Humanities Topics in Japanese: Manga and Animation

Prior teaching experiences

Fall 2011 to Fall 2012 Lecturer

Department of Asian & Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
Courses: 1st-, 3rd-, and 4th-year Japanese

- Spring 2011 Visiting lecturer
 Department of Asian & Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of Iowa
 Courses: 2nd-, and 4th-year Japanese
 Topics in Japanese Literature in Translation
- Fall 2008 to Spring 2011 Lecturer
 Department of Education, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA
 Courses: Critical issues in second language acquisition
 Methods and practice in foreign language education
 Methods and practice in teaching World Languages
 Methods and research in ESL/Bilingual Education
- Fall 2007 - Fall 2010 Lecturer
 College of Education, University of Iowa
 Courses: Language and Learning
 Literacy and popular culture
 Sociolinguistics perspectives on language education
- Fall 2003 Visiting Lecturer
 Department of Foreign Languages, Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA.
 Courses: 1st- and 2nd-year Japanese
- Fall 2001 Lecturer
 Department of Education, Grinnell College
 Course: Foreign Language Methods
- Summer 1997 Course Coordinator & Visiting Instructor
 Department of Asian Languages and Literature, University of Iowa
 Course: 2-nd year Japanese language
- Fall 1996 - Spring 1998 Teaching Assistant
 Department of Asian Languages and Literature, University of Iowa
 Courses: 2nd- and 3rd-year Japanese language
- Fall 1995 –Summer 1996 Visiting Instructor
 Department of Asian Languages and Literature, University of Iowa
 Courses: 1st-year review and 2-nd year Japanese language
- Summer 1995 Program Coordinator & Visiting Instructor
 Summer Japanese language program, Japan Center for Michigan Universities, Shiga,
 Japan
 Courses: 3rd- and 4th-year Japanese
- Fall 1994 - Spring 1995 Visiting Instructor
 Department of Asian Languages and Literatures, Carleton College, Fairfield, MN
 Courses: Modern Japanese literature in translation
 1st- and 2nd-year Japanese language
- Summer 1994 Visiting Instructor
 Japan Center for Michigan Universities, Shiga, Japan
 Course: 2nd-year Japanese language

Spring 1992 - Spring 1994 Teaching Assistant
Department of Comparative Literature, Penn State University
Courses: 1st-, 2nd-, and 3rd-year Japanese language

Fall 1991 ESL Instructor & Counseling staff
Kyoto Seika University Exchange Program, Antioch College, Yellow Springs, OH

Fall 1990 - Fall 1991 Teaching Fellow
Antioch College
Courses: 1st-, 2nd-year Japanese language

Spring 1990 Visiting Instructor
Wright State University, Fairborn, OH
Course: Elementary Japanese

Spring 1990 Instructor
Clark State Community College, Springfield, OH
Course: Elementary Japanese

Spring 1989 - Spring 1990 Instructor
Western Ohio Japanese Saturday School, Springfield, OH
Courses: 6th- and 9th-grade, and high school Japanese language arts

1985-1989 English teacher
Okayama Prefectural High Schools, Japan

AWARD

Teaching award

Spring 2015 Trustees Teaching Award, Indiana University

Spring 1994 Outstanding Teaching Award for Graduate Students in College of the Liberal Arts,
Penn State University

Travel fund

Spring 2020 East Asian Studies Center Faculty Conference Travel Award, Indiana University

Spring 2019 East Asian Studies Center Faculty Conference Travel Award, Indiana University

Spring 2018 East Asian Studies Center Faculty Conference Travel Award, Indiana University

Fall 2017 East Asian Studies Center Faculty Conference Travel Award, Indiana University

Spring 2017 SGIS Faculty Research Fund, Indiana University

Spring 2016 SGIS Faculty Research Fund, Indiana University

- Spring 2016 East Asian Studies Center Faculty Conference Travel Award, Indiana University
- Fall 2015 East Asian Studies Center Faculty Conference Travel Award, Indiana University
- Spring 2000 Center for Asian and Pacific Studies Dissertation Award, University of Iowa
- Fall 2000 Student Government Dissertation Award, University of Iowa

PRESENTATION

- Feb. 2020 ““Ambitious women in manga for men.” Panel on Panel: Comics at IU. Indiana University, Bloomington.
- Nov. 2019 “Barely Survive or Thrive: Redesigning LCTL Programs in the 21st Century.” Co-presenters: Professors Sibel Crum, Malik Hodjaev, Valeria Varga, and Gulnisa Nazarova, IU. Indiana Foreign Language Teachers Association 51st Annual Fall Conference. Indianapolis, IN.
- April 2019 “Agony, Power, and Innocence of a Portuguese missionary in *Silence*.” Popular Culture Association conference. Washington DC.
- Nov. 2018 “Teaching Language as Culture in Novice and Intermediate Japanese Courses.” Co-presenters: Professor Noriko Takeda, Emory University, and Professor Tomoko Takami, University of Pennsylvania. ACTFL Annual Conference. American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. New Orleans, LA.
- Nov. 2018 “Students who learn two Asian languages.” Co-presenters: Professors Jiyoung Kim and Yingling Bao, IU. Indiana Foreign Language Teachers Association 50th Annual Fall Conference. Indianapolis, IN.
- June, 2018 “‘Lord where are you?’: Agony, Power, and Innocence of a Portuguese missionary in *Silence*.” 21st Annual Mediterranean Studies Association Congress, Sorrento, Italy.
- March, 2018 “Ambitious women in Japanese manga.” Popular Culture Association conference. Indianapolis, IN.
- Nov. 2017 “Making sense and making use of diversity in the Japanese Language Class.” ACTFL Annual Conference. American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. Nashville, TN.
- June, 2017 “Women and ambition in male manga magazines.” JCMU Symposium. Japan Center for Michigan Universities, Shiga, Japan.
- Nov. 2016 “Students with disabilities in college Japanese class.”

- Indiana Foreign Language Teachers Association 49th Annual Fall Conference.
Indianapolis, IN.
- Oct. 2016 “Women and Ambition in Anno Moyoco’s *Sakuran* and *Hataraki-man*.”
Midwest Popular Culture Association and Midwest American Culture Association
Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.
- May 2016 “‘Japan’s Aegean’; Using the image of the Mediterranean to promote a Japanese
rural sea town.”
Session chair in “The Mediterranean and Japan.”
19th Annual Mediterranean Studies Association Congress, Palermo, Italy.
- March 2016 “‘Life is a paper plane’: Report on incorporating metaphor instruction in intermediate
Japanese class.” Co-presenter: Professor Natsuko Tsujimura
Session chair in “Session 3-C: Pedagogy papers”
2015 American Association of Teachers of Japanese Annual Spring Conference.
Seattle, WA.
- Nov. 2015 “Making sense of diversity in the Japanese classroom: A newer kind of diversity.”
Indiana Foreign Language Teachers Association 47th Annual Fall Conference.
Indianapolis, IN.
- Oct. 2015 “Gendered superheroes?: The women warriors of *Claymore* and *All You Need Is
Kill*.”
Midwest Popular Culture Association and Midwest American Culture Association
Annual Conference, Cincinnati, OH.
- Nov. 2014 “Translating the Unspeakable.” Panel chair. Co-panelists: Professor Lorena
Terando & Ms. Leah Zazulyer.
American Literacy Translators Association Annual Conference, Milwaukee, WI.
- April 2013 “Teaching writing in intermediate and advanced Japanese college courses.”
In a panel, “Reports from the classroom.” Workshop for K-16 Teachers of
Japanese, “How to teach writing in Japanese using the Genre Approach.”
East Asian Studies Center, Indiana University, and the Association of Indiana
Teachers of Japanese, Indianapolis, IN.
- April 2003 “Talking culture: A search for hybridity.”
American Educational Research Association, Chicago, IL
- March 2001 “Learning another culture: Student perception in the foreign-language
classroom.” Poster presentation. Jakobson Memorial Graduate Forum, University
of Iowa
- Dec. 1999 “What the language is doing to me: Five perspectives of literacy.” Co-presenter:
Nancy Hayes.
“Sink or swim?: Two interpretations of *Titanic*’s message for adolescent female
Viewers.” Co-presenter: Monie Hayes.
National Reading Conference, Orlando, FL
- Nov. 1998 “Students’ perception of their own writing in L2.” Poster presentation.

Special Interest Group, American Council of Teachers of Foreign Language Conference, Chicago, IL

- March 1995 "Mothers as Survivors in Toni Morrison's *Beloved* and Oba Minako's *Urashimaso*," American Comparative Literature Association Annual Meeting, Athens, GA
- Feb. 1994 "Invisible Women: Non-Western Feminist Perspective." Workshop co-presenter. Student Feminist Symposium, Penn State University

PUBLICATION

- 2019 "Ambitious women in male manga magazines: *Sakuran* and *Hataraki-Man* by Anno Moyoco. *International Journal of Comic Art*, 21(1). pp. 498-507.
- 2018 「日本語クラスでのダイバーシティをどういかすか」 [How to make use of diversity in the Japanese class]. In *Kotoba to moji [Language and Letters]*, vol. 9. Tokyo: Kuroshio Shuppan.
- 1996 Bibliography on Hisaye Yamamoto's "Seventeen Syllables"
Masterplots II: Short Stories, Supplementary, Salem Press
- 1995 Bibliography on Toni Morrison's *Beloved*
Masterplots II: Women's Literature, Salem Press

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- April 2019 Workshop, "Elements: Video Recording," CeLT, Indiana University.
- Feb 2019 Workshop, "Audio Recording," CeLT, Indiana University.
- April 2018 Workshop, "Integrating technology in the Japanese classroom." East Asian Studies Center, Indiana University, and the Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, Indianapolis, IN
- May 2015 International Conference on Gender and Education: Critical Issues, Policy and Practice. Indiana University Bloomington
- June 2014 Workshop, "Discourse analysis and the teaching of L2 writing." Center for Advanced Language Proficiency Education and Research, Penn State University, State College, PA
- April 2013 Workshop, "How to teach writing in Japanese using the Genre Approach." East Asian Studies Center, Indiana University, and the Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, Indianapolis, IN
- Oct. 2012 Workshop, "The JFA Standard Familiarization Workshop." Department of East Asian Languages and Literature, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

- June 1998 Institute in Writing in the Foreign Language Classroom
Center for Language Education and Research, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
- Summer 1991 Institute in Japanese Language Pedagogy
Columbia University, NY
- 1989-1990 Japanese Pedagogy Correspondence Course, Tokyo, Japan
- 1988-1989 GDM English Teaching Study Group (GDM 英語教授法研究会), Kobe, Japan

SERVICE

Department

- 2017- present Coordinator, Weekly Japanese Language Table
- Aug Jan 2021 Interviewing M.A. Pedagogy candidates (with Professor Nozomi Tanaka)
- Aug 2020-May 2021 Acting coordinator, Japanese Program
- Feb 2020 Interviewer of the Nanzan Program applicants, Overseas Studies (with Professor Morten Oxenboell)
- Jan 2019 Committee member of the third-year review for Professor Jiyoung Kim (Chair: Professor Hyo Sang Lee)
- April 2018 Co-administration of Japanese Proficiency Test (With Professor Misako Matsubara)
- 2017-present Liaison of the Japanese Program to JSA (Japanese Student Association)
- 2017- present Contact person to the JECT (Japanese English Conversation Table)
- Spring 2018 Korean Lecturer search committee (Chair: Professor Hyo Sang Lee)
- Spring 2016 Korean Lecturer search committee (Chair: Hyo Sang Lee)

School

- September 2016-May 2017 SGIS Policy Committee

On campus

- 2018 to present¹ Faculty adviser, Japanese Student Association (JSA) and Judo Club
- August 2021 IU Guide volunteer, The Office of First Year Experience Programs

- August 2019 IU Guide volunteer, The Office of First Year Experience Programs
- Feb 2019 Co-interviewer (with Professor Morten Oxenboell) for Nanzan University Program (17 students), Overseas Studies Office
- Sept 2018 Co-organizers of *Akimatsuri* Japanese Festival, with EASC and JSA (Japanese Student Association)
- August 2018 IU Guide volunteer, The Office of First Year Experience Programs
- August 2016 IU Guide volunteer, The Office of First Year Experience Programs
- June 2016 Volunteer at an exhibit table, The Center for Language Excellency New Student Orientation
- August 2015 IU Guide volunteer, The Office of First Year Experience Programs
- August 2014 IU Guide volunteer, The Office of First Year Experience Programs
- March 2013 Presentation, "Sumo the Japanese sport"
World Language Festival, CeLT (formerly CeLTIE)
- Feb. 2013 Guest speaker on the film "Departures [*Okuribito*]"
COLL-C103 Critical Approaches to Arts & Science: Contemporary World Cinema
(Course instructor: Professor Justyna Beinek)

Community

- Feb. 2020 2020 Japanese Olympiad of Indiana, Judge
(event cancelled, yet prepared the contest questions for the Level 2 (with Professor Keiko Kuriyama, IUPUI))
- Feb. 2019 2019 Japanese Olympiad of Indiana, Judge
Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, IUPUI, Indianapolis, IN.
- Feb. 2018 2018 Japanese Olympiad of Indiana, Judge
Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, Earlham College, Richmond, IN.
- Feb. 2017 2017 Japanese Olympiad of Indiana, Judge
Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, DePauw University, Greencastle, IN.
- Feb. 2016 2016 Japanese Olympiad of Indiana, Judge
Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, Ball State University, Muncy, IN.
- March 2014 2014 Japanese Olympiad of Indiana, Assistant to the organizers (Professors Keiko Kuriyama and Misako Matsubara)
Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, Indiana University Bloomington.
- March 2013 2013 Japanese Olympiad of Indiana, Helper
Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese, Ball State University, Muncy, IN.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

American Association of Teachers of Japanese (AATJ)
Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese (AITJ)
American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)
Popular Culture Association (PCA)