

MARTHA NELSON

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EXPERIENCE

- 2007-Present** **Miller Career and Technology Center** **Katy, TX**
Teacher—Advanced Placement Literature and Composition, English III, Online Independent Study and Mentorship for the Gifted and Talented
- Online Independent Study & Mentorship (2013-Present): Designed curriculum and assignments for online independent study course for gifted students district-wide; help students locate professional mentor, teach research skills, mentor students throughout project, prepare students for public presentation.
 - English Department Chair (2007-Present): Serve as liaison between the district and campus regarding ELA concerns, responsible for department supply and book orders, overseeing effectiveness of teams.
 - Campus Gifted and Talented Facilitator (2010-Present): Ensure gifted students are placed in appropriate courses and sections with trained gifted and talented teachers.
 - Campus Webmaster (2009-2013): Maintained campus website; trained teachers in setting up and maintaining personal teacher pages.
 - Katy School District Writing Contest Coordinator (2009-2013): Maintained district webpage of current writing contests K-12. Helped organize participation in writing contests.
 - Member—District English AP Vertical Team (2003-Present): As a team, define curriculum standards, policies, and critical documents for district AP English courses.
 - Member—District AP Literature curriculum writing team (2013): Wrote current curriculum documents governing district AP Literature courses.
 - Member—Katy ISD Improvement Council (2014-2016 term): Served as advisory council to district administration.
- 2001–2007** **Mayde Creek High School** **Katy, TX**
Teacher—Advanced Placement Literature and Composition/Gifted and Talented, English IV, English II PreAdvanced Placement, Creative Writing
- Campus Gifted and Talented Facilitator (2006-2007)
 - Chairman—District AP Literature Twelfth Grade Team (2003-2007)
 - Chairman—Campus AP/PreAP English Vertical Team (2004-2007): Coordinated AP curriculum 9-12.
 - Faculty Sponsor—*Kaleidoscope* (literary magazine) (2001-2006): Coordinated and mentored students to publish book of student creative writing yearly. Taught students to effectively use Microsoft Word and InDesign.
 - Faculty Sponsor—Creative Writing Club (2001-2006)
 - Campus Writing Contest Coordinator (2002-2006)
 - UIL Literary Criticism and Vocabulary Faculty Sponsor (2003-2006): Mentored and prepared students to compete in UIL academic competitions.
 - Chairman—Campus Twelfth Grade Team (2003-2005, 2006-2007)
- 1999-2001** **Taylor High School** **Katy, TX**
Teacher—English II, English III, Creative Writing
- Faculty Sponsor—*Endymion* (literary magazine) (1999-2001)
 - Faculty Sponsor—Freudian Script (creative writing club) (1999-2001)
- 1995-1999** **Alief Hastings High School** **Houston, TX**
Teacher—English I, English I Pre-AP

- Faculty Sponsor—*Reflections* (literary magazine) (1996-1999)

1994-1995 **Alief Middle School** **Houston, TX**
Teacher—Eighth Grade Reading

EDUCATION

1995-1997 **University of New Hampshire** **Durham, NH**

- MST (Masters of Science in Teaching of English)
- 4.0 GPA

1992-1994 **University of Houston** **Houston, TX**

- Teaching certification—English, journalism, reading, speech
- 4.0 GPA

1973-1974 **University of Utah** **Salt Lake City, UT**

- BA English
- Phi Kappa Phi (honorary academic fraternity—top 10%)

1970-1973 **Colorado State University** **Fort Collins, CO**

RELATED TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

2005-2017—Served as College Board AP Literature exam reader

July-Aug. 2014—Virtual instructor course through Texas A&M (60 hour course on designing, developing, and managing online courses)

2014—Presented poetry workshop at the AP National Conference

2012-2013; 2016—Presented poetry analysis workshops to district teachers, grades 6-12

July 2011—Received NEH grant to attend four week “Epic Questions” summer institute at the University of Virginia on philosophy

July 2002, 2003, 2005, 2007—Attended 5-day Advance Placement Literature and Composition summer institutes at Texas Lutheran Univervisty, Sequin, TX, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, and Rice University, Houston, TX

July 2004—Received NEH grant to attend four week “Worlds of the Renaissance” summer institute at Columbia Univeristy, New York City

July, 2000, July, 2003—Attended Common Ground, University of Houston (30-hour seminar for teachers led by UH faculty which pairs works from the traditional canon with modern works)

July 2000—Received NEH grant to attend four-week “Teaching Shakespeare Through Performance” summer institute at the Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, D.C.