

# Cynthia A. Aquino, Ed.D.

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

**Doctorate in Education, Ed.D.- Educational Leadership, Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX. 2019**

Dissertation Topic: “*District-Level and Campus-Level Administrators Perspectives Regarding the Implementation of a One-Way Dual Language Program in One-North Texas School District*”.

Committee: Russ Higham, Ph.D. (Chair), Don Beach, Ph.D., Leslie Leach, Ph.D.

**Master of Education - Bilingual Education, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX. 2018**

**Master of Education – Education Administration, Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX. 2014**  
Texas Principal Certification

**Bachelor of Arts – Criminal Justice, minor: Psychology - Columbia College, Columbia, MO. 2008** Magna Cum Laude

### CERTIFICATIONS

#### State of Texas Certifications

Principal Certification

*Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX. 2014*

Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS)  
*Region X, Dallas, TX 2016*

Spanish Language Certification, 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>  
*Texas Education Agency, TX 2009*

Bilingual Education Certification, EC-4  
*Texas Education Agency, TX 2009*

## HIGHER EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

### **Clinical Teaching Field Supervisor**, University of North Texas at Dallas (2020)

- Supervise teacher candidates in Clinical I, Clinical II, Graduate Teachers Candidates
- Conducts formal and informal observations providing feedback for teacher development and growth
- Establish and maintain regular and effective communication, and strict confidentiality with teacher candidates, school and district personnel, and program faculty.

### **Adjunct Professor**, University of North Texas at Dallas

- EDBE 4480 Bilingual Approaches to Content-Based Learning (Fall 2020, Spring 2021)
- EDBE 4395 Methods & Materials for Teaching Spanish EC-12 (Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

### **Adjunct Professor**, Sul Ross State University

- EDUC 3329 Methodology of Second Language (Spring 2021)
- EDUC 4328 Teaching Spanish Language Arts in the Bilingual Classroom (Spring 2021)
- EDUC 3328 Foundations of Bilingual Education (Fall 2020)

## K-12 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Assistant Principal**, Grand Prairie Independent School District,  
July 2016 – June 2020.

**Learning Network Bilingual Specialist**, Fort Worth Independent School District,  
July 2014 – July 2016.

**Dual Language Program Implementation Specialist**, Fort Worth Independent School District-Administration Building, July 2013 - July 2014.

**Dual Language Teacher**, Fort Worth Independent School District,  
August 2009 - June 2013.

## PUBLICATIONS

Aquino, Cynthia A. (2020). "*Cognates-Cognados*." Self-published.

Aquino, Cynthia A. (2020). "*Vocabulario A-Z*." Self-published.

Aquino, Cynthia A. (2020). "*La fiesta del león.*" Self-published.

Aquino, Cynthia A. (2019). "***District-Level and Campus-Level Administrators' Perceptions regarding the Implementation of a One-Way Dual Language Program in One North Texas School District.***" ProQuest

## **PRESENTATION EXPERIENCE**

Dual Language Professional Developments (FWISD) 2013- 2016

- Best Practices in Dual Language: Components of the Dual Language Program in FWISD. Requirements and compliance.
- Spanish Accents: Grammar and accents for Spanish teaching.
- Closing the Gap for ELL Students: A combination of best practices and requirements for ELL and Dual Language classrooms.
- Differentiation: Teaching responsively and proactively, not one-size fits all and planning varied approaches.
- TELPAS Training: State of Texas mandated testing for ELL students.
- LPAC Training: State of Texas requirements for LPAC committees.

National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE) 2014

- Lectoescritura: Técnicas del desarrollo de la lectoescritura en español.

Consultant for White Settlement ISD 2013

- Teaching reading in Spanish: Reading process in Spanish for lower grade teachers.

Future Bilingual Teachers Academy (UNT) 2013

- Program for high school students who had an interest in becoming bilingual teachers. Presentation on the process of teaching reading in Spanish.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS**

Hispanic Conference Committee (2013-2015) (2019)

Teacher of the Year at West Handley Elementary (2012-2013).

Site Based Decision Making committee (2012-2013)

Lead ESL/Bilingual Teacher for the school (2009-2013)

Bilingual Committee Member (2009-2013)

Spanish Translator and Interpreter for the campus and district