

# JOSEFITA MERCER

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## SUMMARY

Organized academic professional offers twenty three years of teaching experience and is well versed in teaching regular, Pre-AP, AP, and dual credit English courses at the high school level. Strives to enhance and build dual credit students' writing and reading skills to better their opportunities to achieve higher levels of communication skills. Creates a vibrant teaching atmosphere conducive to consistent learning and ensures mastery through the use of various writing practices. Maintains high standards for all students alike and conducts teaching through a strong level of transparency.

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## EXPERIENCE

### **Adjunct Professor, 01/2024 - Current** **Sul Ross State University - Eagle Pass, Texas**

- Encouraged students to develop self-directed approaches to independent learning.
- Facilitated active learning through class discussions, group activities, and individual projects.
- Completed recordings via video and audio media of classroom lessons, tests and special instructions for online courses and use by special needs students.
- Provided constructive feedback on student assignments to promote student success.
- Utilized a variety of instructional strategies to meet diverse learning needs.
- Fostered classroom environment conducive to learning and building character.
- Adapted instruction methods to address individual student needs.
- Cultivated collaborative and innovative learning environment to meet each student's unique educational needs.

### **Adjunct Professor, 08/2019 - Current** **Southwest Texas Junior College - Eagle Pass, TX**

- Developed and implemented course syllabi, lesson plans, and assessments.
- Facilitated active learning through class discussions, group activities, and individual projects.
- Provided constructive feedback on student assignments to promote student success.



## CONTACT

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## SKILLS

- In-Class Lectures
- Class Organization
- Student Engagement
- Lesson Planning
- Online Class Discussion
- Faculty Communication
- Online Teaching
- Student Performance Evaluation
- Education Technology
- Individualized Support

- Evaluated student performance using appropriate assessment techniques and provided timely feedback.
- Mentored students in the development of their research skills and critical thinking abilities.
- Encouraged students to develop self-directed approaches to independent learning.
- Integrated technology into the classroom environment to enhance instruction and facilitate communication with students.
- Monitored student progress throughout the semester utilizing attendance records, grade reports, and other data sources.

**English Teacher, 08/2002 - Current**

**Eagle Pass Independent School District - Eagle Pass, TX**

- Instructed advanced level courses including AP Literature and Composition.
- Developed and implemented English curriculum to meet the needs of students.
- Conducted classroom activities to encourage student engagement in language learning.
- Designed assessments to monitor student progress in English language development.
- Created lesson plans, handouts, and other materials for teaching English grammar, reading comprehension, and creative writing skills.
- Adapted teaching methods based on each student's unique needs and abilities.
- Encouraged student critical thinking and discussion using variety of teaching techniques.
- Established and enforced clear class objectives and requirements to promote consistent education for students.

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

**Master of Arts, Education And English, 12/2011**

**Sul Ross State University** - Eagle Pass, Texas

**LANGUAGES**

**English:**



Full Professional

**Spanish:**



Native/ Bilingual

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Published, for four years in a row, a class anthology titled Soar: something original and real, showcasing students' best work.
- Nominated at campus level for teacher of the year for the 2022-2023 school year.

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

- Certification in Secondary English Grades 6-12
  - Certification in English as a Second Language
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## **CLASSES TAUGHT**

- At the high school level, I have taught English I, English I Pre-AP, English II, English II Pre-AP, English III, English III AP, English IV, English IV AP, TAKS Remediation, STAAR Remediation.
- At the college level, I have taught English 1301, English 1302, English 2307, 2322, and 2327.