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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Teaching**

1996 - Present

GTA Virginia Tech and  
Writing Center Tutor  
Blacksburg, Virginia

1995 - 96

Upward Bound Tutor/Teacher  
Blacksburg, Virginia

1989 - 93

Broward Community College, Adjunct Instructor  
Coconut Creek, Florida

1984 - 86

Seminole Community College, Adjunct Instructor  
Sanford, Florida

1981 - 1984

Language Institute, Instructor  
Palermo, Sicily

1978 - 79

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, GTA  
Blacksburg, Virginia

### **Courses Taught**

#### **Undergraduate**

Fundamentals of Writing:

Required remediation course for students with inadequate skills

Sophomore Survey:

American Literature, 1800 - 1920

Freshman Composition:

1105: Language, Logic, and Ethics

1106: Love Stories

Composition:

Writing in English (in Italy)

Journalistic Writing:

The Feature Story

ESL:

Conversation and Composition

### **Graduate/Professional Courses Taught**

Romantic Poetry:

Blake, Shelly, Wordsworth, Keats (in Italy)

Principles of Management (in Italy)

### **Media and Communications**

1995 - 96

*Apex*: Editor

Graduate Student Newsletter

Virginia Tech

1993

Cool Hand Luke Publications

Free-lance Book Editor

1987 - 91

*The Sun*: Foreign Editor

Boca Raton, Florida

- Generated story ideas
- Translated foreign articles
- Researched various sources for story ideas
- Coordinated international writers, photographers, and editors

1981 - 84

Telegiornale della Sicilia

Palermo, Sicily

Public Relations

- Planned itineraries and production schedules for trans-American filming
- Acted as interpreter for Italian crew
- Produced press releases
- Television Personality
- Performed in *Gli Zii di America*, a weekly comedy/variety show
- Co-hosted *Giorgio in Carrozza*, a documentary series about the lost arts of Sicily

1987 - present

Writing/Editing

*Fit to Print*

Boca Raton, Florida and

Blacksburg, Virginia

- Edited manuscripts, newsletters, technical papers, speeches
- Prepared layout

### **Miscellaneous**

Summer 1996

Research Assistant for Drs. Anthony J. Colaianne and Margaret Downs-Gamble

Summer 1997

Graduate Assistant, Writing Center: Researched remedial computer programs for grant proposal.

### **Recent Honors and Awards**

March '96: Virginia Tech Literary Award, 2nd Place in Poetry

May '98: Richard Hoffman Graduate Teaching Award

May '98: Honorable Mention Independent Study

### **Conference Paper**

“Or That I Would Compare with Any Man”: The Epic Structure and Subversive Messages of Æmilia Lanyer’s *Salve Deus Rex Judæorum* delivered at University of Western Ontario’s “Laws and the Prophets” Conference in April of ‘97.