

Sara A. Lee

Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION AND DEGREES

- M.A.** **Education**, Teacher's training at Studienseminar Dortmund (2nd state examination for teaching) January 2010
- Thesis: "Development of a remedial class for German as a second language for young students in Germany"
- M.A.** **German**, Michigan State University, May 2002
- Thesis: "Dyslexia in Germany and the US, a linguistic comparison"
- B.A.** **Education**, University of Dortmund, Elementary School Education (1st state examination) December 2000
- Thesis: "The effect of modern media on the physical development of young children"

ACADEMIC / ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Lecturer** Arizona State University, School of International Letters and Cultures
Coordinator for the teaching staff for first and second year German classes
Coordinator for lower division language assessment and placement
Co-Coordinator for third year German classes
August 2013 - present
- Faculty Associate** Arizona State University, School of International Letters and Cultures
Teaching Assistant Supervisor Assistant for German
August 2011 – August 2013
- Teacher** Johann Gutenberg Realschule Dortmund (Middle School)
German, English, and Physical Education
February 2008 – January 2010
- Therapist/
Assistant Manager** Gutschrift-Institut für Lese- und Schreibkompetenz, Dortmund,
Germany
Conduction and planning of therapy session
Diagnostic evaluations
Teacher and parent training

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May 2003 to January 2008

Teacher Goethe Institut Berlin and Bonn, Summer Program
June and July 2005-2008

Teaching Assistant for German, Michigan State University
January 2001 to Mai 2002

Class Development and Teaching Highlights

in progress: development of disabilities and language learning class

development of German Proficiency Intensive Class first and second year

development of all first and second year German online classes

development of a 4th year Modern German Culture Class

development of a proficiency based 3rd year grammar and composition class

co-developing the first and second year language classes into proficiency based language classes

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“*Strategies for Proficiency-Based Writing*” *Arizona Language Association(AZLA) October 2017*

“Student retention through Teacher Preparation: Proposals for Best Practices”.
ACTFL November 2016

“Methodology and teaching techniques for helping dyslexic students in the second language classroom”. American Association of Teachers of German, Arizona Chapter Meeting October 2016

“Best Practices in the Intensive Language Courses at Arizona State University”. *Arizona Language Association (AZLA) October 2016*

“Dyslexia in the second language classroom”. *Arizona Language Association (AZLA) October 2015*

„Vocabulary Enhancement in the Language Classroom“ Co-presenter at ACTFL
(American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages)

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November 2014

„Vocabulary Enhancement in the Language Classroom“ Co-presenter at AZLA
(Arizona Language Association) October 2014

„Error Correction in Written Essays in Undergraduate Classes“ Presentation at
AZLA (Arizona Language Association) October 2013

“Scholastic Heterogeneity in the Classroom: How every student can reach their potential”
Co-presenter at AZLA (Arizona Language Association) October 2012

INVITED TALKS

„Dyslexia in language learning“ guest lecture at Arizona State University, Graduate Class (SHS 570
Communication Disorders and Multicultural Populations) Dr. Jean
Brown, November 2016

„Bilingual Parenting and bilingual learning“, guest lecture at Arizona State University, Graduate Class
(SHS 570 Communication Disorders and Multicultural Populations)
Dr. Jean Brown, November 2015

„Dyslexia and language learning“, guest lecture at Arizona State University, Graduate Class (SHS 570
Communication Disorders and Multicultural Populations) Dr. Jean
Brown, November 2015

„The bilingual brain and bilingual learning“, guest lecture at Arizona State University, Graduate Class
(SHS 570 Communication Disorders and Multicultural Populations)
Dr. Jean Brown, October 2014

„The bilingual brain and bilingual learning“, guest lecture at The German School Phoenix, October
2014

“Dyslexia in the Second Language Classroom” invited workshop presentation at American
Association of Teachers of German, Arizona Chapter, April 2013

„Bilingual Parenting“, Presentation at Kyrene School District Parent Workshop, March 201

RESEARCH AND PROJECT WORK

“Development of a program to educate teachers of German in Arizona how to support and challenge
dyslexic learners”, project work, August 2015 - ongoing

„Error Analysis and Comparison of Spoken and Written German of Undergraduate Students
at Arizona State University“ Study, January 2014 – ongoing

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„Effective Individual Teaching Methods based on Error Analysis“ Study at Arizona State University January 2014 - ongoing

Leader of the Group for the Development of a new curriculum for the planned German immersion track of the International School of Arizona in Scottsdale, Arizona, March/April 2012

AWARDS AND HONORS

Nomination. Nomination. The German Embassy Teacher of Excellence Award , American Association of Teachers of German, 2016

Professional Development Consultant for Dyslexia, American Association of Teachers of German, 2016

Nomination. The German Embassy Teacher of Excellence Award , American Association of Teachers of German, 2015

Nomination. Best Lecturer School of International Letters and Cultures, 2014

Awarded. Outstanding Young Foreign Language Educator, The Arizona Language Association, 2014

Nomination for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Teaching Award at Arizona State University, 2014

Nomination for the Arizona German of the Year Award from the German Society of Arizona, 2014

Nomination for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Teaching Award at Arizona State University, 2013

PROFFESIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association of Teachers of German

American Association of University Supervisors and Coordinators

American Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages

German Society of Arizona

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & WORKSHOPS

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“Using Integrated Performance Assessments to Improve Learning and Instruction” Dr. Francis Troyan at Arizona Language Association Fall Conference 2016

Workshops in Preparation for Development of ASUonline Courses, March and April 2016

STAMP Testing for Intensive Track Courses. Workshop with STAMP developers March 2016

“Studying and working in Germany” German Academic Exchange Service and Cultural Vistas, Arizona State University, October 2015

“Just add German, promoting the German language”, Dr. Albrecht Claasen, Arizona Association of Teachers of German, Spring Meeting 2014

“Didaktik der Literazität im DAF-UNTerrricht”, Renate Riedner, Arizona Association of Teachers of German, Spring Meeting 2014

“Electronic Error Correction” Workshop by Dr. Ossipov and Dr. Bahtchevanova, Arizona State University, April 2013

SERVICE

Peer review committee member and Peer - Reviewer for instructors, lecturers and faculty associates at the School of International Letters and Cultures,

German representative for teaching philosophy for pedagogy in SILC

German Liaison for Barrett Honors College

Organizer and Presenter of SILC Award Ceremony for German

Arizona Language Articulation Task Force, German representative

ASU German Club Faculty representative

ASU Language Fair German Representative

Member of Proficiency Intensive Classes Teachers of SILC

Organizer and Liaison for the German Embassy Exchange Service and the International Cooperative Education Internships

Workshops for communicative teaching for all incoming instructors and interested teachers in SILC, September 2016

Instructor and Teaching Assistant Training

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AZ Transfer Language ATF Representative for German

Global Student Organization Liason for ASU German Club

Language Fair of the School of International Letters and Cultures, Organizer for German 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

LANGUAGES

German Native

English Very good written and oral skills (Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English, C2 Level)

Latin Reading and comprehension knowledge

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