

Biography

Born, raised, and educated through the secondary level in Europe, I built a career in publishing, working as an editor at Oxford University Press. Arriving in the United States in 1971, I eventually attended Florida International University and earned an Honors Degree in Psychology in 1976; I also hold a Masters Degree in Anthropology (magna cum laude) from the University of Florida.

In 1978, I was hired as an adjunct professor at Miami-Dade College, teaching Western Civilization, Government, Economics, and various English courses. In addition, I served as an adjunct professor of economics at Florida International University. In 1986, I started teaching high school in Dade County and I have been a teacher at Somerset Academy since October 2003. My areas of expertise are AP European History, Government (AP & Honors), Economics, Psychology, World History (Honors/Gifted). In the 1980s I created a Philosophy course coupled with World Religions which became very popular at my school. I have attended many workshops over the years, taken additional classes, and become an expert in Holocaust and Women's Studies. I am broadly certified in Social Studies and carry endorsements for Gifted and ESOL on my certificate. In addition, I am working on completing my Ph.D. in History.

While at Krop Senior High in Dade County, I served as the school's African-American advocate as well as the Department Chair in Social Studies. I am currently serving as Department Chair, Social Studies, at Somerset.

My education philosophy is fairly straightforward: provide both an in-depth and broad-range curriculum in whatever subject I teach; encourage students to explore, share, make connections, and find excitement and satisfaction in their learning experience. My goal is to provide them with the tools to analyze and understand the interwoven nature of all things human, to lead full and rewarding lives.