

KATIE WELCH, PH.D.

LINGUISTICS. LANGUAGE ACQUISITION. LEARNING.

EDUCATION

PH.D. IN LINGUISTICS

University of Texas at Arlington
2005 - 2009

B.A. IN SPANISH

Baylor University
2000 - 2003
Summa Cum Laude

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Teacher Training
Instructional Design
Online Course Development
Event Management
Project Coordination
Public Speaking
Written Communication

LANGUAGES

English (Native)
Spanish (Proficient)

TECHNOLOGY PROFICIENCIES

Canvas | Blackboard | Panopto |
Google Suite | MS Office | FlipGrid |
SeeSaw | QuarkXPress | InDesign

K12 CERTIFICATIONS

Texas: ELAR 4-8 and ESL

National: Teacher Observer Certification
from the National Institute for
Excellence in Teaching (2017)

AWARDS

U.S. Department of State "English
Language Specialist" designation (2021)

Innovative Teaching with Technology
Award, UNTD (2015)

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PROFILE

A versatile educator with extensive experience training pre-service and in-service teachers, Dr. Katie Welch provides professional development to teachers in both adult and K-12 classrooms. Katie was on faculty in an educator preparation program for 7 years preparing students for Texas certification in EC-6, ELAR 4-8, ESL, and Bilingual Education. She specializes in social-emotional learning and second language acquisition, regularly presenting at education conferences in both the U.S. and internationally. Katie also annually coordinates a 300-person ESL conference for teachers.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS AT DALLAS, 2012-2019

Undergraduate - Core Curriculum

Application of Learning Foundations (2017; F2F)
*The Language of Now (2014-2018; F2F, Blended, Online, Gamified)

Undergraduate - School of Education

*Principles of Language Study (2012-2016; F2F, Blended)
*Acquisition of English as a Second Language (2013-2019; F2F, Blended, Flipped)

Graduate - School of Education

English Language Acquisition by Spanish Speakers: Theories & Methods (2017; F2F)

**Asterisk denotes courses in which the blended and/or online course was designed for the department by Dr. Welch and vetted by the university's Office of Distance Learning and Instructional Technology.*

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON, 2010-2012, 2020-2023

Undergraduate - Department of Linguistics and TESOL

Second Language Acquisition (2020; Online)
Sociolinguistics (2013; F2F)
Internship in Linguistics and ESL (2012; Online)
Intro to Linguistic Science (2010; F2F)

Graduate - Department of Linguistics and TESOL

Developmental English for International Teaching Assistants (2022-2023; Online)
Linguistic Analysis (2009, 2012; F2F)
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Practicum (2012; Online)
TESOL Teaching and Observation (2012; Online)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Led the steering committee from conception to completion for the 2018 statewide Texas Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TexTESOL) educational conference, including budget, project timeline, event branding, & goal setting. This 3-day conference provided continuing professional education credits to over 500 educators of English Learners.

COORDINATOR FOR GRANT-FUNDED LEARNING LAB

Wrote a successful proposal and executed a project management plan for a grant-funded student success initiative at UNT-Dallas. This project included creating a learning laboratory and workroom that introduced School of Education students to technology designed to enhance K-12 instruction.

PUBLICATIONS

Welch, K. (2021). Rethinking extra credit: How gamification can reduce grade inflation and strengthen soft skills. *PLSA Special Issue – Scholarly Teaching in the Age of COVID and Beyond*.

Welch, K. (2021). Discovery Learning in the Sociolinguistics Classroom: Using *boojie* to Teach American English History. *American Speech* 96(2), 253-265.

Welch, K. & M. Shappeck (2020). Linguistics in General Education: Expanding Linguistics Course Offerings through Core Competency Alignment. *Language* 96(2), e59-e76.

Shappeck, M. & K. Welch (2012). Linguistics for Pre-Service Educators. Self-published.

COMMITTEE SERVICE

- **Academic Affairs** (2019)
- **Faculty Web Advisory Committee** (2019)
- **University Curriculum Committee** (2016-2019)
- **SOE Academic Affairs Committee** (2018 – 2019)
- **SOE Student Affairs Committee*** (2017- 2018)
- **Linguistics Adjunct Hiring Committee*** (2016-2019)
- **Charles E. Butt Scholarship Selection Ad-Hoc Committee** (2019)
- **Teaching Observations Ad-Hoc Committee** (Spring 2018)
- **Quality Enhancement Plan Sub-Committee for Foundations of Learning Course** (Fall 2017)
- **Faculty Awards Committee** (Spring 2017)
- **Search Committee - Senior Lecturer for Educational Administration** (Spring 2017)

*Denotes service as committee chair

REFERENCES

Available upon request

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE, CONT.

TEXTESOLV EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Currently serving on Executive Board of a long-standing professional ESL organization in DFW. This role includes serving 3 years in the Presidential cycle and presiding as chair of numerous committees for the organization's regional conference. The annual conference is a major professional development opportunity for higher education and K-12 ESL educators in the region.

STRATEGIC PLANNER FOR SEL INITIATIVE FOR K-12 EDUCATORS

Developed a theoretical framework and program implementation strategy for a social-emotional learning protocol for pre- and in-service K-12 teachers and principals and designed related collateral such as slide decks and graphics. This program, called ThirdSpace, is being used at UNT-Dallas to prepare K-12 leaders in mindfulness and resiliency.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

SELECTED EVENTS (2017-PRESENT)

2023 Welch, K. "Papi, how did you learn English?": Using family interviews for bilingual pre-service teacher development. National Association for Bilingual Education, February 23-24, 2023. Portland, OR.

2023 Welch, K. *Multi-Level Classrooms Made Easy*. TESOL International. March 23, 2023. Portland, OR.

2023 Welch, K. *Parent Communication in the Home Language: Translation Tech Tools*. TextESOLV Regional Conference. February 4, 2023. Virtual Conference.

2022 Welch, K. *Teacher Education: Practicing What We Preach and Preaching What We Practice*. TextESOLV Regional Conference. February 5, 2022. Online.

2021 Welch, K. *Fostering Social Emotional Learning through Literacy*. South Texas Literacy Symposium. February 20, 2021. Virtual Conference.

2021 Welch, K. *Checking for Understanding in the COVID-19 Classroom*. TESOL Kuwait Keynote Address. February 6, 2021. Virtual Conference.

*2021 Welch, K. *Creating a Cohesive and Consistent Online Classroom Experience for English Learners*. Lone Star College ESOL Symposium Plenary Address. January 23, 2021. Virtual Conference.

*2020 Welch, K. *Differentiating Instruction in a Mixed-Ability Classroom*. East Texas Literacy Symposium. UT-Tyler Longview Center. February 29, 2020. Longview, TX.

*2020 Welch, K. *Kahoot!: Balancing Rigor and Engagement through Gamification*. Cambridge ELT Online Conference. February 18, 2020. Webinar.

*2020 Welch, K. *Technology in Adult ESL: Impact on Teachers and Students*. Texas Association for Literacy and Adult Education. February 15, 2020. DFW Airport Marriot, Dallas, TX.

2020 Welch, K. *Discovery Learning in the Sociolinguistics Classroom: Using Boojie to Teach American English History*. American Dialect Society Annual Meeting. January 4, 2020. Hilton New Orleans Riverside. New Orleans, LA.

*2019 Welch, K. *Creating Independent Learners through Inquiry-Based Instruction*. Dallas County Community College District WorkReady Professional Development Day. December 19, 2019. El Centro West Campus. Dallas, TX.

2018 Welch, K. & E. Cheek. *Balancing Rigor, Engagement, and Student Success in the Early College Classroom*. Dual Credit and Early College High School Faculty Orientation and Training. Eastfield College. August 15, 2018. Mesquite, TX.

2018 Patton, M. & Welch, K. (2018). *Re-Tweeting: How Social Media Helps Teachers Develop Professionally*. TextESOL State Conference. November 1-3, 2018. Westin Galleria Dallas. Dallas, TX.

*Events with an asterisk were presented on behalf of Cambridge University Press