

Amber Hsinyi Navarre

PhD in Applied Linguistics

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EDUCATION

The Pennsylvania State University

PhD in Applied Linguistics, Dec. 2008

Overall GPA 4.00

(The transcript shows a combined GPA of 3.95 for both M. A. and PhD.)

The Pennsylvania State University

M. A. in Teaching English as a Second Language, May 2005

Overall GPA 3.86

National Taiwan University

B. A. in Foreign Languages and Literatures, May 1998

EXPERIENCE

07/01/2013-Present

Boston University

Instructor (Head of Program since 07/01/2013)

- Teach Chinese of all Levels
- Oversee program operation and renovation
- Promote program-wide and cross-program communication and collaboration
- Develop cross-level assessment standards
- Lead the design of upper-level topic-based curriculum
- Incorporate technology in instruction
- Conduct teacher training

08/01/2012-Present

Lantern Institute

Founder and Director

- Develop curriculum for online Chinese learning
- Design and film instructional videos
- Lead the production of learning materials
- Supervise instructors and the web production team

11/01/2009-11/31/2012

Teaching East Asian Program, University of Colorado at Boulder

Lead Instructor of StarTalk Teacher Training Program

- Train Chinese teachers in curriculum design, instructional technology, pedagogical linguistics, and interdisciplinary teaching
- Write annual grant proposal for federal StarTalk fund.

08/17/2009-12/31/2011 **Department of Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Colorado at Boulder**

Coordinator and Senior Instructor of Chinese Program

- Coordinated Chinese courses and cultural events
- Developed and ensured successful delivery of program curriculum
- Taught intermediate and advanced Chinese courses
- Developed teaching materials and online resources
- Supervised instructors and teaching assistants
- Collaborated with CU's Office of International Education on study abroad service
- Collaborated with Anderson Language and Technology Center (ALTEC) and Center for Asian Studies (CAS) on language teacher training series

08/18/2008-05/31/2009 **Department of Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Colorado at Boulder**

Instructor in Chinese

- Taught beginning Chinese
- Led student events (Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration, Chinese Speech Contest, Asian Language Night, Language Table, Asia Day, etc.)
- Supervised first-year TAs
- Developed teaching materials and online resources

08/20/2007-08/13/2008 **Department of Comparative Literature, Pennsylvania State University**

Part-time Lecturer in Chinese

- Taught beginning and intermediate Chinese
- Led student activities
- Supervised interns

08/15/2005-05/31/2008 **Department of Applied Linguistics, Pennsylvania State University**

Graduate Lecturer (Teaching Assistantship)

- Taught English as a Second Language to international students at various levels
- Conducted placement tests for oral proficiency in English

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2010-2012 StarTalk Grant
(It was an institutional rather than a personal grant but one for the whole program, but I was the primary author of the grant proposal.)
- 2009 ALTEC Course Redesign Grant (University of Colorado at Boulder)
- 2008 Outstanding Teaching Award (Pennsylvania State University)
- 2008 Dissertation Fellowship (Pennsylvania State University)

COURSES TAUGHT

- 100 Level:* Beginning Chinese; English as a Second Language for International TAs; English Listening/Speaking Level 1
- 200 Level:* Intermediate Chinese
- 300 Level:* Advanced Chinese; English Grammar Level 3
- 400 Level:* Media Chinese; Academic Presentation for ESL Learners
- 500 Level:* Teaching Chinese as a Second Language

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

- Classroom Management System:* Blackboard, D2L, Angel, Moodle, Engrade
- Presentational Technology:* Powerpoint, Keynote, Smartboard, Prezi
- Assessment and Self-Assessment:* Linguafolio, PollDaddy, Google Form, Survey Monkey, SurveyGizmo
- Blog and Social Network:* Facebook, Twitter, Wordpress, Ning, Google Sites
- Audio Tools:* Voicethread, Audacity, Garageband; Voki
- Video Production:* Final Cut Pro, QuickTime Pro, iMovie, Movie Maker, Miro, dotSUB, and Xtranormal State Animation
- Mobile:* iPad and iPhone Apps

DISSERTATION

Navarre, A. H. (2008). *Discourses of Female Marriage-based Immigrants in Taiwan*. Doctoral Dissertation, the Pennsylvania State University.

PRESENTATIONS

Angrist, M., Micallef, R. & A. H. Navarre (2014). *Using Technology in and Outside of the Classroom to Improve Students' Motivation, Vocabulary Retention, Grammar Understanding and Engagement*. National Council of Less Commonly Taught Languages (NCOLCTL) 2014 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. (2014). *Three Case Studies of Three Successful Hybrid Classes in Chinese*. Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (NECTFL) 2014 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. & L. Mustafa (2013) *Easy to Implement Online Speaking and Blogging Project*. Boston Area Language Consortium (BALC) 2014 Mini Conference.

Navarre, A. H. (2013). *Flipped Learning*. Anderson Language and Technology Center (ALTEC) 2013 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. (2011). *Easy-to-Implement Wordpress Plug-ins for Chinese Language Teachers and Students' Feedback*. Colorado Congress of Foreign Language Teachers (CCFLT) 2011 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. & Knowles, M. (2010). *Self-instructional, networking, or class management tools? Creating and customizing a CMC from existing plug-ins for Wordpress MU: preliminary findings*. Computer-Assisted Language Instruction Consortium (CALICO) 2010 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. (2009). *Discursive Construction of Cross-Border Marriage as "False Marriage" in Taiwanese Mainstream Media*. American Association of Applied Linguistics (AAAL) 2008 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. (2008). *Health Communication Behaviors, Strategies, and Sources of Health Information of Female Marriage-based Immigrants in Taiwan*. AAAL 2008 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. (2007). *Naming War—"Foreign Brides," "Foreign Spouses," or "New Immigrant Females."* AAAL 2007 Conference.

Navarre, A. H. (2006). *Socially-constructed Health Il/literacy—A Case Study of International Wives in Taiwan*. AAAL 2006 Conference.