

Michael Matthew Griffin

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Education

- Sept 2013 - **PhD in Applied Spanish Linguistics**
May 2021 PhD Minors: English Language & Linguistics, SLA
University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Jan 2012 - **Graduate Certificate in Community College Instruction**
May 2014 East Carolina University
- Jan 2009 - **MA in English, Linguistics**
May 2011 East Carolina University
- Jan 2009 - **Graduate Certificate in Hispanic Studies**
May 2011 East Carolina University
- Aug 2006 - **Study Abroad, Liberal Arts & Business**
May 2007 Universidad Nebrija
- Aug 2003 - **BA in Hispanic Studies**
Dec 2008 Minor: English
East Carolina University

Certificates

- June 2020 **Introduction to Online Language Teaching**
CeLTA and ELC, Michigan State University
- Oct 2018 **Online Education Administration**
UW-Madison Division of Continuing Studies
- Sept 2018 **Teaching English Now! Foundational Principles**
Coursera.org, University of Arizona
- June 2018 **TA Training in Online Instruction**
UW-Madison Learning Support Services
- Oct 2015 **Certificate in Fundamentals of Online Teaching**
UW-Madison Division of Continuing Studies
- Nov 2011 **ACTDEC Level 2 Certificate**
Accreditation Council for TESOL Distance Education Courses
- Nov 2011 **100-hour TESOL Certificate Program**
Coventry House International - OnTESOL

Instructional Experience

- May 2020 - **Spanish Instructor**
Present Humanities Department, North Iowa Area Community College
Courses: Elementary Spanish I, Elementary Spanish II
- Sept 2019 - **Visiting Instructor**
May 2020 Department of Modern Languages, Gustavus Adolphus College
Courses: Second Semester Spanish, Intro to Linguistics, Advanced Composition & Conversation
- Jan 2019 - **Lecturer**
May 2019 Department of Spanish & Portuguese, UW-Madison
Course: Advanced Language Practice
- Oct 2014 - **Language Instructor**
May 2019 Continuing Education, Madison Area Technical College
Courses: Conversational Spanish 1, Spanish 2, Spanish 3, Intermediate Conversation Practice, Advanced Conversation Practice
- June 2016 - **Independent Learning Spanish Instructor**
Jan 2019 UW Independent Learning
Courses: Third Semester Spanish, Introduction to Hispanic Literature
Description: In addition to serving as an online course facilitator, I was responsible for content review and revision as we transition our courses from Desire2Learn to Canvas.
- Sept 2013 - **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
May 2018 Department of Spanish & Portuguese, UW-Madison
Courses: Second Semester, Third Semester, and Fourth Semester Spanish, Intermediate Grammar and Composition
- Jan 2013 - **Spanish Instructor**
May 2013 Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures, ECU
Courses: First Semester and Second Semester Spanish
- Aug 2011 - **Spanish Instructor**
May 2013 Foreign Language Department, Pitt Community College
Courses: First Semester and Second Semester Spanish
- Aug 2011 - **ESL Instructor**
Dec 2011 ECU Language Academy
Courses: Oral Communication Skills, Note-taking & Study Skills
- Aug 2010 - **Spanish Instructor**
May 2011 Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures, ECU
Course: First Semester Spanish

Jan 2010 - **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
May 2010 Foreign Languages Department, ECU
Course: First Semester Spanish

Jan 2009 - **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
May 2009 Department of English, ECU
Course: Appreciating Literature

Content Review Experience

May 2016 - **Independent Learning Course Author**

Jan 2019 UW Independent Learning

Description: Worked on a team responsible for online course rewrites for the Spanish curriculum offered through Independent Learning. I was later placed in charge of selecting our textbooks and transferring the lower-level courses from Desire2Learn to Canvas.

Research Experience

May 2014 - **Graduate Research Assistant**

June 2014 Department of Computer Sciences, UW-Madison

Director: Ben Snyder, PhD

Description: Analyzed a Spanish/English corpus to produce data visualizations of translational differences.

Jan 2009 - **Graduate Research Assistant**

May 2009 Department of English, ECU

Director: Slobodanka Dimova, PhD

Description: Transcribed and coded the use of English in popular Macedonian commercials.

Jan 2009 - **Graduate Research Assistant**

May 2009 Department of English, ECU

Director: Michael Albers, PhD

Description: Assisted in the analysis of comments made by students during a comprehensive edit of a technical document.

Publications

Fall 2019 Griffin, M. (2019). "Evidencias a favor de la enseñanza del voseo en las clases de español." *Spanish and Portuguese Review* 5 (Fall 2019).

Presentations

Conference Papers

Oct 2018 *Google Translate and the Online Language Classroom: A deterrent to language learning or a linguistic tool?* Presentation to be given at ADEIL Conference, UW-Madison

July 2011 *A Comparative Look at the Noun Categorization Systems of Spanish and Thai.* Presentation given at SEASSI Student Conference, UW-Madison.

Feb 2010 *The Devoicing of English Word-final Stops by Thai Speakers.* Presentation given at TALGS Conference, ECU.

Workshops

Mar 2019 *The Dos and Don'ts of Online Instruction.* Online presentation given to graduate TAs in the Department of Spanish & Portuguese, UW-Madison.

Mar 2018 *Prescriptive Language in the L2 Classroom.* Presentation given at Unseating Stereotypes in Language Textbooks: A Round Table and Workshop, UW-Madison.

Mar 2018 *Task-based Language Learning: Authenticity in the L2 Classroom.* Presentation given as part of the series Language Teaching: Best Practices for Maximizing Student Learning, UW-Madison.

Mar 2017 *Español en contexto: Open education resources for authentic Spanish.* Presentation given at TA Professional Development Workshop, UW-Madison.

Feb 2016 *Engaging the YouTube Generation: Incorporating technology in the Spanish classroom.* Presentation given at TA Professional Development Workshop, UW-Madison.

Mar 2015 *Incorporating Authentic Language in Oral and Written Assignments.* Presentation given at TA Professional Development Workshop, UW-Madison.

Apr 2013 *A Look at Songkran in Modern Thailand.* Presentation given at PCC Foreign Languages Workshop, PCC.

Nov 2012 *Spanish Pronunciation Theory and Practice: A look at mastering the sounds of Spanish.* Presentation given at PCC Foreign Languages Workshop, PCC.

Panels

Oct 2018 *Production of Phonetic and Phonology Contrasts by Thai Heritage Speakers.* Panel participant for the Council of Thai Studies panel on Resistance and Difference Across Language and Margin, UW-Madison.

June 2016 *Effective Methods for Learning a Second Language.* Panel participant for Dr. Janpanit Surasin's First-semester Thai course, UW-Madison.

Invited Speaker & Lecturer

- Mar 2020 *We Teach Languages Episode 139: Teaching Linguistic Variation such as Voseo in Spanish with Matthew Griffin.* Guest speaker on the We Teach Languages podcast with host Dr. Stacey Johnson, Vanderbilt.
- June 2015 *Dialectología: Variación fonética en los países de habla hispana.* Guest lecturer for Dr. Cathy Stafford's Spanish Phonetics course, UW-Madison.
- Mar 2013 *La lingüística catalana: Un análisis breve de la fonología y la sintaxis del idioma catalán.* Guest lecturer for Dr. Ricard Viñas de Puig's Catalan Language and Culture course, ECU.

Grants, Awards & Honors

- Spr 2019 **Teaching and Learning Mini-Grant** (\$1300)
Kendall Center for Engaged Learning, Gustavus Adolphus College
- Sum 2019 **Student Research Grants Competition - Research Travel** (\$1200)
Graduate School, UW-Madison
- Sum 2019 **ACTFL OPI Summer Workshop Award** (\$1000)
Language Institute, UW-Madison
- Spr 2017 **Honored Instructor**
University Housing, UW-Madison
- Spr 2016 **Honored Instructor**
University Housing, UW-Madison
- Sum 2013 **FLAS Fellowship** (\$4720)
Summer Intensive Portuguese, UW-Madison
- Sum 2011 **Tuition Scholarship** (\$1500)
SEASSI, UW-Madison
- Sum 2010 **Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship** (\$4600)
SEASSI, UW-Madison
- Sum 2009 **Tuition Scholarship** (\$1250)
Southeast Asia Summer Studies Institute (SEASSI), UW-Madison

College & Community Service

Work Service

- Sept 2018 - **Inclusive Learning Committee**
- Jan 2019 Division of Continuing Studies, UW-Madison

College Service

- Oct 2019 - **Write-on-Site Session Host**
Mar 2020 Gustavus Adolphus College
Description: Oversee write-on-site sessions that provide faculty weekly opportunities to work on their individual writing projects.
- Sept 2018 - **GUTS Tutor (English & Spanish)**
May 2019 The Greater University Tutoring Service, UW-Madison
- Apr 2018 - **Diversity and Inclusion Committee**
May 2019 Department of Spanish & Portuguese, UW-Madison
- June 2015 - **SOAR Language Assistant**
Aug 2015 Language Institute, UW-Madison
Description: Staffed an informational table at an incoming-Freshmen resource fair. I advocated for the importance of language study at the university both at the table as well as on social media platforms including Facebook and Twitter.
- Oct 2015 - **Language Coordination Committee Student Representative**
May 2017 Department of Spanish & Portuguese, UW-Madison
Description: Planned, promoted and executed a pedagogical workshop for 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 emphasizing the creation of lesson plans that address global issues. Other responsibilities included attending TA Review Committees to review teaching-related issues, i.e., curriculum, evaluation materials, methodology, policies, and keeping graduate students informed of committee-related decisions.
- Apr 2016 **English-Spanish Translator**
Program in English as a Second Language, UW-Madison
- Feb 2014 - **Textbook Selection Committee**
Apr 2014 Department of Spanish & Portuguese, UW-Madison
Description: Took initiative to assist the coordinators in selection of intermediate language textbook for third- and fourth-semester Spanish I provided a comparative analysis between textbooks considering several factors for proper evaluation including methodology, ease of use, and effectiveness of online platform
- Aug 2011 - **Foreign Language Laboratory Assistant**
May 2013 Foreign Languages Department, PCC
Description: Worked evening hours in the lab to provide our non-traditional Spanish students access to the Internet.

Jan 2010 - **Spanish Club Head Tutor/Assistant Faculty Advisor**
May 2011 Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures, ECU
Description: As a mentor, I assisted the club president in creating culture and language-exchange opportunities for students and faculty. I also headed tutoring services for undergraduate students from beginner Spanish to Spanish Phonetics

Community Service

Sept 2016 - **Volunteer Interpreter**
Dec 2018 UW Law School Neighborhood Clinic

Sept 2015 - **English-Spanish Translator**
Oct 2015 UW Cancer Health Disparities Initiative

July 2015 - **Volunteer Interpreter**
Aug 2015 UW Law School Neighborhood Clinic

Dec 2012 - **Volunteer Translator**
Jan 2013 Latino Center for Wellness and Education

Professional Affiliations & Organizations

Feb 2017 - **The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese**
Present *Student Member*

Oct 2018 - **The Association for Distance Education and Independent Learning**
Sept 2019 *Member*

Jan 2018 - **OPEN, Out Professional Engagement Network**
Dec 2018 *Young Professional/Student Membership*

Aug 2015 - **UW-Madison Linguistics Student Organization**
Present *Student Member*

Jan 2009 - **ECU GLBTSU**
May 2011 *Student Member*

Jan 2009 - **Phi Sigma Iota Honor Society**
May 2011 *Collegiate Member*

Languages

English Native or bilingual proficiency
Spanish Full professional proficiency
Thai Limited working proficiency
Portuguese Limited working proficiency