

## Curriculum Vita

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### Educational Background

***M.A. 1989, Japanese Linguistics***

University of Wisconsin, Madison

***B.A. 1986, Japanese Studies***

Fu-Jen Catholic University, Taiwan

### Professional Experience

***Associate Director 2008-Present***

East Asia Institute (EAI)

University of Texas, San Antonio

#### **Job duties:**

- Master planning
- Fundraising
- Grant writing
- Coordinating and organizing projects, including lectures, seminars, workshops, cultural and education fairs, film series, visual art exhibits, study abroad program, and visual and performing art series
- Web/poster/newsletter graphic design and maintaining the EAI homepage
- Outreach at K-12 school and local groups in the San Antonio area
- Supervising program coordinator on office logistics
- Streamlining event/project procedures
- Supervising interns on research and creating K-12 outreach teaching/learning materials
- Conducting communication duties with various news media outlet for news coverage for EAI events and preparing news release/feature stories
- Special event planning
- Networking with foreign consulate offices (in Houston) and local ethnic association groups/chamber of commerce offices for collaborations

**Please also visit <http://www.utsa.edu/eai> for a list of events I have helped organize since joining the EAI**

***Senior Lecturer of Japanese*** 2008-Present

Department of Modern Languages and Literatures

University of Texas, San Antonio

***Lecturer of Japanese*** 1989-2008

***Coordinator, Japanese Program*** 1989-2008

***Director, Multimedia Language Center*** 2002-2008

Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures

University of Nevada, Reno (UNR)

### **Teaching Fellow** 1988-1989

East Asian Languages and Literature Program  
University of Wisconsin-Madison

### **Awards and Honors**

President's Diversity Award, University of Texas at San Antonio, 2015  
Diversity First Award, Texas Diversity Council, 2010  
First place, Alan Bible Teaching Excellence Award, College of Liberal Arts, UNR, 2008  
Finalist: University of Nevada Regents' Teaching Award, UNR, 2006  
Sabbatical leave, UNR, 2004-2005  
Visiting Scholar, National Taiwan Normal University, 2004  
Less Commonly Taught Languages Teachers Training Program, University of Hawaii, Manoa (sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education), 2002  
Sabbatical leave, UNR, Spring 1997  
Short Term Japanese Teachers Training Program, Urawa, Japan, Japan Foundation, 1994  
Runner-up, Alan Bible Teaching Excellence Award, College of Arts and Science, UNR

### **Languages**

Mandarin Chinese: Native fluency  
Taiwanese: Native fluency  
Japanese: Near native fluency  
English: Near native fluency  
Korean: Novice level

### **Fundraising/Grants received/Sponsored projects (PI unless otherwise noted)**

- 2016**
- Japan Foundation (\$600: Co PI): Japanese Play Contest
  - Japan America Society of San Antonio (\$500): Japanese Play contest
  - UTSA Modern Languages and Literatures (\$500): Japanese Play contest
  - Houston Korean Education Center (\$1,000): Kimchi Festival
  - Korean American Cultural Center of San Antonio: (\$500) Korean Speech Contest
  - East Asia Summer Camps (\$9,490): East Asia Summer Camps for children
- 2015**
- Japan Foundation (\$600: Co PI): Japanese Play Contest
  - Japan America Society of San Antonio (\$500): Japanese Play contest
  - UTSA Modern Languages and Literatures (\$500): Japanese Play contest
  - East Asia Summer Camps (\$6,500): East Asia Summer Camps
  - Korea Foundation (\$1,230): San Antonio's inaugural Korean speech contest
  - Houston Korean Education Center (\$500): 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Kimchi Festival
- 2014**
- East Asia Summer Camps (\$3,200): East Asia Summer Camps for children
  - Houston Korean Education Center (\$3,000): Teacher salaries for two courses of Korean language and culture classes offered at UTSA
  - Houston Korean Education Center (\$1,000): San Antonio's 2<sup>nd</sup> Kimchi Festival
  - Japan Foundation (\$600: co-PI): San Antonio's 1<sup>st</sup> Japanese Play Contest
  - Japan America Society of San Antonio (\$500): Japanese Play contest
  - UTSA Modern Languages and Literatures (\$500): Japanese Play contest
  - Taiwan Academy (\$2,500): Ang Lee Film Festival

- 2013**
  - Taiwan Academy (\$20,000: co-PI): Taiwan Spotlight Project (film series, seminar series, Sinology Trivia Contest, art museum tour, and visiting artist workshops in calligraphy & ink painting)
  - Houston Korean Education Center (\$6,000): Teacher salaries for two courses of Korean language and culture classes offered at UTSA
  - East Asia Summer Camps (\$3,300): East Asia Summer Camp for children
  - The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (\$43,100: co-PI): “Walking the Japanese Culture” Japan Study Tour
  
- 2012**
  - The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (\$5,000) “Savoring Japan: A Series of Censorial Experiences”
  - East Asia Summer Camps (\$5,000): East Asia Summer Camps for children
  - Houston Korean Education Center (\$6,000): Teacher salaries for four courses of Korean language and culture classes offered at UTSA
  
- 2011-13** • Center for Global Partnership (\$66,000): Japan Outreach Coordinator
  
- 2011**
  - H-E-B (\$4,900): “Promoting Asian Diversity: One Class, One Group at a Time” at local K-12 schools, libraries and non-profit groups
  - East Asia Summer Camps (\$5,000): East Asia Summer Camps for children
  
- 2010**
  - The Japan America Society of San Antonio (\$1,500): “World Heritage Photo Panels from Japan: Two Thousand Years of Legacies” photography exhibition and associated photo/essay contests for K-16 students.
  - H-E-B (\$4,100): To co-host the “World Heritage Photo Panels from Japan: Two Thousand Years of Legacies” photography exhibition and associated photo/essay contests for K-16 students
  - East Asia Summer Camps (\$4,800): East Asia Summer Camps for children
  
- 2009**
  - The Japan America Society of San Antonio (\$1,000): Mei-Chiang Dance Troupe
  - Center for Global Partnership (\$3,080)

To host the “Access to Japan” Series comprised of four parts:

  - “Tea, Zen and Garden” photo contest and “The Importance of Preservation”
  - “World Heritage Photo Panels from Japan: Two Thousand Years of Legacies” photography exhibition
  - “On Zen” lecture
  - “Family Day on Japanese Culture” event with hands-on and interactive activities
  
- 2007**
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, UNR (\$1,889)

Hands-on language activities and teaching material development
  
- 2006**
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, UNR (\$2,670)

Student Response System (Clickers) Project
  
- 2005**
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, UNR (\$1,069)

Instructional Desktop Movie Clips Project

- 2004**
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$790)
  - Student Technology Fee Program, UNR (\$10,000)
  - Smarter Kids Foundation, Smart Board Corporation (\$1,260)
  - Exchange Scholar with the National Taiwan Normal University (\$5,000)
  
- 2003**
  - Student Technology Fee Program, UNR (\$25,000)
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$980)
  
- 2002**
  - Student Technology Fee Program, UNR (\$16,208)
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$446)
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, UNR (\$650)
  
- 2001**
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$1,100)
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, Academic Affairs Office, UNR (\$1,171)
  
- 1999**
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$700)
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, Academic Affairs Office, UNR (\$1,500)
  
- 1997**
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$412)
  
- 1996**
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$970)
  - Travel Grant Program, the Japan Foundation (\$186)
  
- 1995**
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$670)
  - Travel Grant Program, the Japan Foundation (\$240)
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, UNR (\$1,330)
  
- 1994**
  - Overseas Japanese Teachers' Short-term Training Program, Japan Foundation (all expenses paid, including round-trip airfare, two months of stay in Japan, and a stipend for local transportation and books. Estimated cost: \$8,000)
  
- 1993**
  - Instructional Enhancement Grant, UNR (\$411)
  
- 1992**
  - Intensive Summer Foreign Language Teacher's Institute at the Univ. of Hawaii, Manoa (funded by the U.S. Department of Education: \$3,200)
  - International Activities Grant, UNR (\$3,740)
  
- 1991**
  - Book Donation Program, the Japan Foundation (\$1,600)

### **Presentations, publications and Conferences**

I have made many presentations and given workshops at various national and international professional conferences in the area of multimedia and language teaching. I have also made many cultural presentations on Japan and China for various organizations and schools (info upon request).