Sandra González

, Aurora, IL 60505

EDUCATION

B.A. Magna Cum Laude with University Honors, Spanish, NIU, DeKalb, IL, May 2015

Minor: Latino & Latin American Studies

Graduate Certification: Bilingual Multicultural Education, NIU DeKalb, IL August 2016 **Licensure:** IL Professional Educator License; **Endorsement:** Spanish K12, ELL/ Bilingual 9-12 **University of Castilla La Mancha** Study Abroad Program; Toledo, Spain, Summer 2014

SPECIAL SKILLS

Language: Heritage Spanish speaker

Technology: Google programs, Cascade Server, Wild Apricot, Excel, Word, Schoology, eSchool, PowerSchool, SchoolNet

HONORS

ICTFL New Teacher Award 2016, October 2016

NIU Sigma Delta Pi National Spanish Honorary Society, DeKalb, IL January 2014 - May 2015

Deacon Davis Diversity Award, NIU, DeKalb, IL March 2015 **Exemplary Teacher Award Nominee**, NIU, DeKalb, April 2015

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Illinois Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, June 2015 – Present

Central States Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, Advisory Council, October 2016 - Present

American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, September 2015 - Present

American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, September 2015 - Present

NIU Latino Alumni Council, Secretary, August 2016

Illinois LAtino Council on Higher Education (ILACHE), Membership Outreach Committee, November 2016

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spanish Teacher, West Aurora High School District 129, Aurora, IL August 2015 - Present

Spanish 2 (62 students), Heritage Spanish 2 (90 students), Spanish 2H (46 students)

- Formulate daily objectives that mirror ACTFL World Readiness Standards
- Incorporate authentic materials for students to view culture in a realistic context
- Construct lessons that are centered on presentational, interpretive, and interpersonal modes of communication
- Sponsor an after school organization called Alianza Hispana
- Collaborate across all level two languages on curriculum redevelopment that reflect the six AP Global Themes, World Readiness Standards, essential questions, as well as the ACTFL Progress Indicators (Can-do Statements)
- Planning a trip to Spain for heritage speakers for Spring 2018

Spanish Student Teacher, Glenbrook North High School District 225, Northbrook, IL September 2014 - April 2015

Spanish 2 (25 students), Spanish 3 (42 students), Spanish 3 Honors (50 students)

- Implemented grammar and vocabulary through context and cultural activities
- Taught students to compare and contrast L1 to L2 linguistically and socially
- Created lessons that reflect "I can" statements and overarching goals for the students to achieve
- Designed instruction that focused on the three modes of communication
- Took part in the planning of the International Awards Dinner and Spanish National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Spanish Tutor, July 2016-Present

- Provide additional language assistance outside of class
- Practice speaking and reading comprehension in addition to grammar

MAS/FRESH Mentor, NIU Latino Resource Center, DeKalb, IL, April 2014 – December 2014

- Assisted first year Latino students with their transition to college, especially during the first six weeks of classes
- Created a sense of belonging and community at NIU
- Together, encouraged the academic success and social well being among first year Latino college students

Undergraduate Research Assistant, NIU Center for Latino and Latin American Studies, DeKalb, IL, January 2014 - December 2014

- Collaborated in Latino oral history research collection including race, ethnicity, history and labor trends in Illinois and Chicago
- Digitized, cataloged and transcribed annotated bibliographies of Latino history in Illinois
- Provided scholarship resources and information about Latino studies minor to high/middle school groups as large as 130 students

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

Team Captain/ Member, Relay For Life/ American Cancer Society, Niles West High School, Skokie, IL, September 2011 – Present **Family Focus Citizenship Workshop**, Volunteer, Aurora, IL, March 2014 - Present **NIU Open House Latino Center Alumni Volunteer**, DeKalb, IL August 2015 - Present