**Kirsten Mir**

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**Current job:**       Spanish teacher at Tucson High School

Objective

To gain employment as a teacher of Spanish language, literature, and composition at an outstanding high school and to continue spreading love for the Spanish language by instilling passion for the subject in the hearts and minds of high school students.

Strengths

1. Extensive experience teaching many aspects of Spanish to high school students, from literature, to grammar and composition, to film and culture review
2. An outgoing, dynamic, and fun personality and teaching style
3. Excellent public relations skills, communication skills, and interpersonal skills
4. Experience teaching Advanced Placement classes and preparing students for the AP Spanish exam
5. Experience as a counselor and advisor
6. Experience and knowledge about teaching effectively to suit various learning styles
7. Ability to work quickly and effectively under pressure, very motivated
8. Ability to foster a lively and enthusiastic classroom learning environment
9. Detail oriented
10. Ability to organize and prioritize workload effectively
11. Flexible and adaptable to change
12. Strong quantitative and analytical skills
13. Ability to work independently or in a team environment
14. Experience in organizing and fostering community activities

Experience

**Spanish Language and Composition Teacher, 2005-present**Tucson High School, Tucson, AZ

**Responsibilities:**

* Teach Spanish language and composition classes to a diverse array of students of varying ages and abilities
* Plan and organize hands-on activities that encourage active student participation, involvement, and team work
* Advisor for Spanish club, focus on fostering student leadership and organizing social events, conversation tables, and cultural events
* Maintain an orderly, peaceful, and positive learning environment, applying disciplinary measures when necessary
* Incorporating cultural and historical components into the curriculum to diversify and expand learning material

**Spanish Language, Literature, and Culture Teacher, 2000-2005**Sunnyside High School, City of South Tucson, AZ

**Responsibilities:**

* Taught a diverse array of classes to students of various ages and learning backgrounds
* Taught the highly popular courses: Intro to Chicana/o Literature and Latinn-American History
* Fostered a positive classroom environment with mutual respect and consideration as collective goals
* Organized and guided students in a collective mural painting of Chicana/o history
* Taught Advanced Placement courses, with 80% student passing rate
* Advisor for Spanish club and the student literary magazine

**Spanish Language Teacher, 1998-2000**City High School, Tucson, AZ

**Responsibilities:**

* Taught Spanish classes to students grades 9-12
* Taught Advanced Placement courses
* Implemented a variety of teaching tools to accommodate all learning styles
* Provided special afterschool learning tutoring sessions and conversation tables
* Served as advisor to student council
* Encouraged a multimedia and multi-dimensional curriculum that integrated language, history, arts, and culture
* Fostered a positive and safe learning atmosphere

Education

**University Arizona**Masters in Hispanic Literature, 1996-1998  
B.A. in Spanish Language and Literature 1992-1996

**Tucson High School**High School Diploma  
Valedictorian (4.0 GPA)  
1988-1992

Courses

1. Topics in 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st Century Spanish Literature
2. Language in the Mexican American Experience
3. Topics in Literary Theory & Criticism
4. Hispanic Linguistics
5. Brazilian Literature in Film
6. Second Language Theory & Application
7. Portuguese language & linguistics
8. Spanish Translation and Interpretation
9. Indigenous languages of Latino America
10. US-Mexico Border: Separation & Integration
11. Politics of Latin America
12. History of Women in Latin America
13. Studied Abroad in Mexico, Costa Rica, and Argentina

Personal information

* Married, with one child
* Date of Birth: August 20, 1974
* Hobbies: traveling, documentary films, writing and reading poetry