

# JOSEPH HOLMBERG

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## EDUCATION

Rochester Institute of Technology	
<b>M.S. In Secondary Education with an emphasis in Deaf and Hard of Hearing</b>	<b>2005</b>
Thesis: Teaching U.S. History While Promoting the Deaf Identity	
Gallaudet University	
<b>B.A. In History</b>	<b>2002</b>
Areas of Concentration: American History, Deaf History, and Ancient World History	
Rock Valley Community College	
<b>A.A. In Education.</b>	<b>1995</b>
Areas of Concentration: Liberal Arts and Education	

## QUALIFICATIONS:

- Knowledgeable in various computer/networking/installation of programs and devices such as Microsoft Office, Corel Office and Open Office; and Desktop Publishing and also possess a vast understanding of technology for the deaf and how they operate.
- Fluent in Spanish and various sign languages including American Sign Language.
- Professional Development
  - Mandated Reporting-Child Abuse
  - Prevention of Violence in Schools
- Holds various certifications from professional organizations/states
  - Content Specialty Test (CST) in History/Social Studies
  - Secondary Assessment of Teaching Skills-Written (AST-W)
  - Liberal Arts and Sciences Test (LAST)
  - Council on the Education of the Deaf (CED)
  - California Basic Education Skills Test (CBEST)
  - American Sign Language Teachers Association (Pending)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY, HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS	2012-PRESENT
PROFESSOR-AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Teaching credited courses geared toward the development of American Sign Language and its related studies.</li><li>• Maintaining the records of attendance, grades, and other duties.</li><li>• Designing and providing content of the coursework by using media and other instructional tools for learning purposes.</li><li>• Merging the units/lessons into the class activities.</li><li>• Providing on-one tutoring when necessary.</li></ul>	
LONE STAR COLLEGE-KINGWOOD, HOUSTON, TEXAS	2010-2012
ADJUNCT PROFESSOR-AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Teaching credited courses geared toward the development of American Sign Language specialized for training interpreters.</li><li>• Maintaining the records of attendance, grades, and other duties.</li><li>• Designing and providing content of the coursework by using media and other instructional tools for learning purposes.</li><li>• Merging the units/lessons into the class activities.</li><li>• Providing on-one tutoring when necessary.</li></ul>	
LONE STAR COLLEGE-NORTH HARRIS, HOUSTON, TEXAS	2010 (Summer)

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- JOHNSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE, OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS 2009
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- METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE-MAPLEWOODS, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 2008-2009
  - ADJUNCT PROFESSOR-AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE
  - Teaching credited courses in deaf culture/history and American Sign language courses for the American Sign Language and Interpreting department.
  - Maintaining the records of attendance, grades, and other duties.
  - Keeping abreast with the current trends and issues relating to the deaf community in social, historical, economical, and educational contexts as well as in the development of American Sign Language.
  - Designing and providing content of the coursework by using various media and other instructional tools for learning purposes.
  - Providing one-on-one tutoring when necessary.

## RELATED EXPERIENCE

### DEAF INTERPRETER/INTERVENOR – INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR, HOUSTON, TEXAS 2008-PRESENT

- Member of a team aligned toward improving a client's understanding.
  - Employs various means to assist in terms of facilitating communications between both parties.
  - Interpreter for the Blind and Deaf and familiar with the tactile means of communicating.
  - Extensive knowledge of Spanish, American Sign Language, and other modes.
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- SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER, OREGON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, SALEM, OREGON 2005-2006
  - Designed lesson plans for Social Studies
  - Designed and employed class materials to integrate with lesson plans.
  - Provided one-on-one aid with work when necessary
  - Attended monthly faculty meetings.
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- AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTOR, OREGON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, SALEM, OREGON 2005-2006
  - Taught American Sign Language to Spanish-speaking parents whose children attend Oregon School for the Deaf.
  - Utilized American Sign Language and Spanish as the modes of communications in between and to employ manuals in both languages.
  - Provided one-on-one aid when necessary
  - Engaged the participants in activities that include OSD-sponsored events.
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- BUSINESS ASSISTANT, ODDLY ENOUGH CURIO SHOPPE, ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS 1998-2005
  - Performed various computer tasks (word processing, database tacking)
  - Assisted in keeping track of databases, expenses, and inventories.
  - Performed physical tasks such as traveling to auctions, flea markets, and making deliveries.
  - Engaged in interpersonal communications with customers, sellers, buyers, and dealers.

## MEMBERSHIPS

History Channel Lifetime Member  
Greater Houston American Sign Language Teachers Association  
Greater Rockford Deaf Awareness Club  
National Association of the Deaf  
National Honor Society

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## Presentations:

Deaf History within the American History, Missouri Interpreters Association Conference, Maplewood Community College, Kansas City, Missouri, February, 2008

Deaf Heart Panel, Visual Communication Services, July 2013.

Interpreter's Code of Ethics Panel, Visual Communication Services, June 2013

Deaf History From Ancient to the Present, Presentation- First United Methodist Church, February 2015