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### **PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

DOB: August 15, 1979 Citizenship: Belarus Visa Status: Permanent U.S. Resident

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### **EDUCATION:**

M.S., Biology, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX, 2006

Thesis: Zoobenthos Community in Phytoplankton-Dominated vs. Macrophyte-Dominated Shallow Lakes

B.S., Biology and Ecology, Belarusian State University, Minsk, Belarus, 2003

Thesis: "Daily Dynamics of Horizontal Structure of Zooplankton Community in the Littoral Zone of S. Volos Lake"

Associate Degree, Elementary Education, Minsk Pedagogical College (4-year College), Belarus, 1998

### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

Lecturer, 2017 – present

Sam Houston State University

Courses: Anatomy and Physiology I, Contemporary Biology

Lecturer, 2012 – 2017

Stephen F. Austin State University

Courses: Anatomy and Physiology I, Anatomy and Physiology II

Biology Teacher, 2006 – 2012 (Lead Biology Teacher (2010 – 2012))

Nacogdoches High School

Courses: Biology, PAP Biology

Graduate Teaching Assistant, 2003 – 2006

Stephen F. Austin State University

Courses: General Biology Lab, Botany Lab

### **CERTIFICATION:**

Texas Educator Certificate, Life Sciences (Grades 8-12)

ESL Certificate (English as Second Language)

**AWARDS AND HONORS:**

Scoryna Honorary Scholarship (for the most prominent Belarusian State University students), 2002 - 2003

1st place at the Republic Olympiad in Biology and Chemistry (among the students of Pedagogical Colleges), 1998

**PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS:**

Association of Texas Professional Educators

Human Anatomy and Physiology Society

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PREPARATION:**

A series of webinars by different publishing companies (McGraw Hill, Pearson, Wiley) illustrating use of on-line assignments and adaptive learning tools in order to improve performance and accountability of students in A&P (2013 – 14).

TurningPoint Technologies (2013 - 14) A series of webinars dedicated to use of “clickers” in the classroom.

D2I Learning Platform (August 2014) Various workshops held at SFA Teaching Excellence Center

On-line Course Participant (January – June, 2013) Introduction to Biology - The Secret of Life, the 12-week course by Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Workshop Attendee (September - December 1, 2012). New Faculty Developmental Series by the Teaching Excellence Center, SFASU

Field Course Participant (June 2001) Lakes as Sentinels for Climate Change, the university course held at the Norr Malma field station, Uppsala University, Sweden

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:**

Bio 238 Assessment Committee, Chairperson

Biology MS and BS PLO 1 Assessment Committee

Core Curriculum Review Committee for BIO 238

Critical Thinking Rubric Committee

Contributor to the various STEM-related outreach events: “Expanding Your Horizons”, “Girl Scout STEM Day”, “High School Stem Day”.

Contributor to the various Teaching and Learning Center related outreach events: “New Faculty Orientation”, etc.