

Alex A. Garcia

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I have over 10 years of professional experience in the fields of Education, Supervising, Project Management, Staff Training, Quality Assurance, Counseling, Recruitment, and Case Management particularly working with at-risk Latino students at the high school and college level. Those that have worked with me will describe me as having a great work ethic, philanthropic, easy to collaborate with, and consistently delivers on projects and assignments. In regards to my personal character I would describe myself as optimistic, ambitious, and someone with high values and morals.

Education

B.A. Sociology – University of Texas Pan American

- Minor in History
- 4.0 GPA in degreed area
- Dean's List – 2nd Honors – Fall 2003
- Dean's List – 1st Honors – Spring 2004

M.S. Sociology – University of Texas Pan American

- 4.0 GPA
- Sociology Club scholarship recipient
- Research focus: Gender roles

M.P.H. Health Policy and Management – Texas A&M Health Sci. Center

- 3.77 GPA with Honors
- Research focus: Women's health rights
- Treasurer – Graduate Students for Public Health
- Student body representative for McAllen Campus

Certifications

Texas Teaching Certificate – Teacherbuilder.com

- TEA ID: 1888896
- Social Studies 7 – 12

Volunteer / Misc.

- CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocate for child abuse
- Registered Blood / Bone Marrow/ Organ Donor
- RGV – Food Bank Volunteer
- Salvation Army – Adopt an Angel Program
- Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Cancer Research
- Edinburg Youth Soccer Club Coach – Under 4 yrs.

Work Experience

Sam Houston State University

January 2015 to Present

Grader / Instructor

Initially I served as a grader for the department chair and other professors. My duties were to assist in grading assignments. Eventually I was offered the opportunity to teach several Multicultural Health Issues course online. My duties are to ensure delivery of appropriate online lectures, create exams and coursework, and maintain student records, and maintain communication with students. This is on a part time basis.

PSJA ISD / Texas A&M Kingsville / South Texas College

January 2015 to Present

Dual Enrollment Sociology Instructor

I currently teach dual enrollment Sociology classes for students within the PSJA ISD area. The dual enrollment credits are awarded by Texas A&M Kingsville and by South Texas College. My responsibilities are to teach the Sociology curriculum, maintain student attendance and grade records, as well as other various teacher duties. I teach at Sonia Sotomayor Early College High School as well as Southwest high school.

South Texas College / High School Programs – McCCTI

Aug 2008 to December 2014

Training Manager / Counselor

This was a grant-funded position under the High School Programs Dept. This program is a partnership between South Texas College and McAllen ISD that serves at risk students with credit recovery as well as career and academic exploration. My title is Training Manager / Counselor; however, my duties are of an assistant principal capacity. I frequently counseled, advised, and taught students as well as supervised staff, and monitored program performance. During my time with this program I implemented new program elements such as assistance with college registration, team-building activities, and implemented a new credit recovery system that has significantly increased graduation rates.

Good Samaritan Community Services / Workforce Solutions

Feb 2006 to Aug 2008

Case Manager / Supervisor / Quality Assurance / Training Coordinator

This was a grant-funded position. I worked for the youth program that assists youth ages 15-21 with obtaining educational and occupational credentials. I was first hired as a case manager, promoted to supervisor, promoted to quality assurance, and promoted to Training Coordinator. My main duties during this time were to case manage youth, supervise and train staff, monitor and report on performance, and audit case files for state review. During my time with GSCS, I was able to implement a new hire onboard training that had not existed before, as well as a new system for training staff during staff development days.

Sociology Department – University of Texas Pan American

Jan 2006 to May 2006

Sociology Instructor

This was a temporary graduate assistantship. I was chosen by the department chair of the Sociology department to teach an Introduction to Sociology undergraduate course. I was responsible for selecting material, creation of assignments and exams, maintaining office hours for advisement, and maintain grading data.

Center on Aging and Health – University of Texas Pan American
Oct 2004 to Feb 2006

Graduate Research Assistant

This was a temporary graduate assistantship. I worked under Dr. Elena Bastida where I assisted with aging and health research. I routinely data entered respondent survey data into the statistics database, where information was later extracted for research reports. I also assisted with finding relevant research articles to assist with articles that were later published for research.

References

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