**Bonnie Butler**

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**Education:**

**M.A. English,** Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado

December 2003

*Graduate Internship:* In computers and writing in conjunction with Colorado State University’s Writing Center. Investigated the factors that make writing tutors and centers effective and helped to produce and edit *Writing @ CSU’s* online guide to writing research papers.

*Thesis Project*: Developed and tested a heuristic to define the difference in teaching methods between novice, advanced, and master-level language arts teachers.

*Advisors*: Louann Reid and Mike Palmquist

**Colorado Teaching Certificate,** (Secondary English)

May 2002

Was selected (one of five) to student teach at an at-risk high school and pilot a program aimed at engaging and retaining at-risk Mexican-American students.

**Study Abroad,** Santa Chiara Study Center, Castiglion Fiorentino, Italy

January-May 1999

**B.A. Humanities,** Fort Lewis College, Durango, Colorado

April 1995

**Professional Experience:**

**Instructor,** Colorado Mesa University

Grand Junction, Colorado

Fall 2004 – Present

Plan and teach five classes a semester including ENGL 150, ENGL 112, ENGL 111 and FYI. Have taught ENGL 090-060, READ 090-060, and SUPP 101. Helped to design and organize the developmental writing curriculum and student assessment and align them with Colorado State Standards. Co-created and constructed a WebCT shell designed to provide information and support for new writing instructors.

**\*** Was awarded the Reading/Writing Developmental Program Faculty of the Year for 2008.

**Editor,** Beacon Senior Newspaper/Pendant Publishing

Grand Junction, Colorado

Fall 2005 – Spring 2009

Recruited, hired, and managed writers. Wrote and edited articles and press releases. Organized promotional activities, worked with community organizations, and represented the paper at community events.

**Language Arts Teacher,** Rifle High School

Rifle Colorado

2002 - 2004

Taught Advanced Placement (AP) Literature and Composition, Advanced Junior, Junior, and Sophomore English. Helped to re-align curriculum and student assessment with the Colorado State Standards.

**\*** At the end of my second year of teaching AP Literature and Composition, I was honored because my class was the first in the school’s history in which every single student passed the AP exam.

**Adjunct Professor,** Colorado Mountain College

Rifle, Colorado

Spring 2004

Taught Composition I. Communicated with student in class and through the on-line program Blackboard.

**Writing Center Tutor**, Colorado State University, Writing Center

Fort Collins, Colorado

2000-2002

Tutored students (freshman through doctoral) in writing. Focused in improving writing skills, providing support, and directing students toward necessary resources.

**Special Education Paraprofessional,** Poudre R-1 School District, Webber Junior High

Fort Collins, Colorado

1999-2000

Provided support for two special education teachers and their students. Creatively tutored students using different learning modalities inside and outside of class, contributed to Individual Education Plans (IEP), meetings, processed IEP forms, tracked student assignments, assisted with classroom lessons, worked with parents, and aided classroom teachers.