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Education

PhD. Intercultural Education, 2013

Biola University, La Mirada, California

Dissertation: Chinese Tertiary English Educators' Perceptions of Foreign Teacher Involvement in Their Professional Development

Teacher Mentoring Certificate, 2008

ELIC & Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois

Chinese Language Study, 2004-2006

Northeast Normal University, Changchun, Jilin, China

MA, TESOL, 2003

Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, California BS, Secondary Education Social Studies, 1998 Corban University, Salem, Oregon Magna cum laude, Honors

Publications

- Bleistein, T. M., & Lewis, M. (2015). *One-on-one language teaching and learning: Theory and practice.* Basingstoke, UK: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Bleistein, T. M., & Wong, M. S. (2015). Using qualitative research methods to assess education abroad. In. V. Savicki & E. Brewer (Eds.), *Assessing study abroad: Theory, tools and practice*. Sterling, VA: Stylus.
- Johnson, R. K., Harrold, M. L., Cochran, D. J., Brannan, D., & Bleistein, T. (2014). An examination of the first years: Novice ESOL teachers' experiences with loneliness and stress. *Pure Insight,* 3(1), 8.
- Bleistein, T., Smith, M. K., & Lewis, M. (2013). *Teaching speaking*. Alexandria, VA: TESOL International.
- Bleistein, T., Wong, M. S., & Smith, D. I. (2012). A working bibliography: Faith and ELT. In M. S. Wong, C. Kristjánsson, & Z. Dörnyei, *Christian faith and English language teaching and learning: Research on the interrelationship of religion and ELT* (pp. 235-266). New York, NY: Routledge.
- Brannan, D., & Bleistein, T. (2012). Novice ESOL teachers' perceptions of social support networks. *TESOL Quarterly*, 46(3), 519-541.
- Sturm, D., Conkey, E., Nibler, N., Brannan, D., & Bleistein, T. (2012). Gender and optimism as predictors of novice ESOL teaching performance. *PURE Insights*, 1(8) 35-41.

- Bleistein, T., & Tao, R. (2011). Cooperating across cultures: Professional development in a Chinese minority region. In A. Cohan & A. Hongisfield (Eds.), *Breaking the mold of preservice and inservice teacher education: Innovative and successful practices for the Twenty-first Century* (pp. 249-257). Lanham, MD: Rowan and Littlefield Education.
- Tao, R., & Bleistein, T. (2010). Intercultural professional development in a Chinese minority region. *The Teacher Trainer Journal*, *24*(1), 22-24.

Presentations

- Bleistein, T. M., & Hirashiki, J. (2016, April 6). Manageable technology for the teacher educators. Presentation at TESOL International Association (TESOL) Convention. Baltimore, MD.
- Smith, M. K., & Bleistein, T. M. (2016, April 7). Cracking the glass ceiling: Outside mentors with insider teachers. Presentation at TESOL International Association (TESOL) Convention. Baltimore, MD.
- Kleier, A., & Bleistein, T. M. (2015, November 14). Being present in the online classroom: Principles and tips for authentic connection in online learning. Presentation at CA TESOL 2015. Anaheim, CA.
- Bleistein, T. M., & Molina, M. (2015, March 26). *Fresh approaches to English tutoring.* Presentation at TESOL International Association (TESOL) Convention. Toronto, Canada.
- Bleistein, T. M., & Metry, M. (2015, April 10). *Re-imagining program-level faith integration for language teacher preparation.* Presentation at the North American Christian Foreign Language Association Conference (NACFLA), La Mirada, CA.
- Bleistein, T. (2014). *Cultivating an attitude of service among MA TESOL students.* Christians in English Language Teachers Conference. Portland, OR.
- Wong, M. S., & Bleistein, T. (2014). *Collaboration of local and foreign English teachers in Hong Kong and China: Tensions and contradictions*. American Association of Applied Linguistics (AAAL). Portland, OR.
- Garcia, I., Bleistein, T., & Fang, E. (2013). *United for success: Community health ESL classes*. Los Angeles, CA: CA TESOL Regional Conference.
- Wong, M. S., & Bleistein, T. (2013). *Native and nonnative teacher collaboration in Hong Kong and China*. Thai TESOL, Khon Kaen, Thailand.
- Bleistein, T., Robison, R., & Wong, M. S. (2012). *Faith integration in a Christian graduate TESOL program: Lessons learned*. CELT Conference. Philadelphia, PA.
- Conkey, E., Nibler, N., Sturm, D., Brannan, D., & Bleistein, T. (2012) *Gender and Optimism's Influence on Perceived ESOL Teaching Performance*. A poster presented at Western Psychological Association. San Francisco, CA.
- Nibler, N., Conkey, E., Sturm, D., Brannan, D., & Bleistein, T. (2012) *Gender and Optimism's Influence on Perceived ESOL Teaching Performance*. A symposium presented at the Oregon Academy of Sciences. Portland, OR.

- Wong, M. S., Bleistein, T., Metry, M., & Fang, E. (2012). Recommendations for language education in an emerging English-medium Christian university in Iraqi Kurdistan. Panel presentation at NACFLA, Santa Barbara, CA.
- Wong, M. S., Robison, R., & Bleistein, T. (2012). *Drawing from our strengths: Collaborating nonnative/native graduate students and colleagues*. Presentation at TESOL Convention, Philadelphia, PA.
- Novara, L., Bleistein, T., & Hoosier, J. (2011). *Oh the places we've taught: Transitioning "home" as a professional*. 45th Annual TESOL Convention, New Orleans, LA.
- Bleistein, T., & Tao, R. (2010). *Collaborative cross-cultural professional development*. TESOL Convention, Boston, MA.
- Bleistein, T., & Strohm, J. (2010). *Outsiders in a land of in-groups: Intercultural competence in China*. TESOL Convention, Boston, MA.
- Bleistein, T., & Watson, B. (2009). *Language course design*. ELIC Annual Conference, Chiangmai, Thailand.
- Tao, R., & Bleistein, T. (2008). *Teacher support groups as means of cooperation between NESTs and Non-NESTs*. Annual IATEFL China Conference, Tonghua, Jilin.
- Bleistein, T., & Watson, B. (2006). *Language course design*. ELIC Training, Beijing, China.

Teaching Experience

Azusa Pacific University MA TESOL Program Associate Professor, August 2016-Present

Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, California

Online MA TESOL Program Director, August 2012-Present

Associate Professor, August 2016-Present

Assistant Professor, August 2012-July 2016

MA TESOL Lecturer, 2008-2012

Courses: Language Program Design, Second Language Pedagogy I (Speaking and listening focus), Second Language Pedagogy II (Reading and writing focus), Reflective Teaching, TESOL Portfolio, Second Language Acquisition, Sociolinguistics, Christianity and Critical Perspectives

- Chinese University Professor Study Experience Instructor, Summer 2011 George Fox University, Newberg, Oregon
- **ESL Instructor,** September 2010-August 2011

Portland Community College, Portland, Oregon

Courses: Integrated Skills, Reading, and Communication (Listening/Speaking)

ESL Instructor, September 2009-May 2010

Chemeketa Community College, Woodburn, Oregon

Courses: Listening, Speaking, & English Now

EFL Instructor and Mentor, August 2006–June 2009

Ningxia University, Yinchuan, China

English Language Institute, China

Courses: Oral English, European Culture, Western Culture, Intercultural Communication, Adult English Study Abroad Preparation, Elementary Teacher Education Training Course, Newspaper Reading, and Graduate English Writing and Pronunciation

Regional Personnel Advisor and Instructor, August 2003–June 2004

Wuhan University, Wuhan, China

English Language Institute, China

Courses and Responsibilities: Comprehensive English for Wuhan University professors and supervised 33 American English teachers in China and liaised with eight Chinese universities

EFL Instructor, August 2001–June 2003

Guyuan Teachers College, Guyuan, China

English Language Institute, China

Courses: Culture, Writing, and Oral English

EFL Instructor, August 2000-June 2001

Henan Foreign Trade School, Zhengzhou, China

English Language Institute, China

Courses: Business English and Oral English

Social Sciences Instructor, August 1998-June 2000

International School, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Courses: Philosophy, U.S. Government, Sociology, Psychology, Geography, World History

Professional Activity

Reviewer

• TESOL Convention Proposal Reviewer, 2009-present

University Service

- IRB Alternate Member, 2016-2017
- Program Review Committee, Chair, 2014-2016
- Program Review Committee, Member, 2013-2014
- Internationalization Task Force, 2012-2013

Grants, Awards, and Certifications

- Proliteracy English as a Second Language Tutor Training Curriculum Developer, 2016-2017
- Scholar-Teacher, Azusa Pacific University (course release for research), 2015
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- Emerging Scholar Award, Azusa Pacific University, 2013

- Ningxia Liupan Mountain Friendship Award, 2008
- Associate Member of the Year, Corban University Education Association, 1996
- Oregon Secondary Social Studies Basic Teaching Certification

Thesis Committee Work

• Mine, E. (2016). MA Thesis Committee: The influence of phonetic environment in L2 acquisition: An investigation of English /1/ - /l/ perception and production by native Japanese speakers. Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA.

Current Memberships

- TESOL, International
- CELT