

Professional Practice

- **Executive Director, Western Maine Education Collaborative (WMEC)** **2016 – Pres**
 - Provide vision and leadership in developing and implementing the goals of the WMEC
 - Represent and advocate for the WMEC at the local, regional, state, and national levels
 - Communicate and promote WMEC goals and activities among internal and external partners
 - Broker programs and services and ensure equity and fairness across the WMEC
 - Support the Board of Directors in development of organizational and governance procedures and practices; carry out the plans and policies authorized by the Board
 - Oversee development of operating budget and write, manage, and evaluate grants
- **Education Consultant, Self-employed** **2016 – Pres**
 - Collaborate with stakeholders to strengthen educational models and tools
 - Foster and advance clients' strategic partnerships
 - Design and facilitate professional development experiences for educators
 - Conduct research to inform clients' educational efforts
 - Recent clients include: Finance Authority of Maine; First Amendment Museum at the Gannett House; Jobs for Maine's Graduates
- **Social Studies Specialist/Regional Representative, Maine Department of Education** **2011 – 2016**
 - Led, coordinated, and supported Department of Education initiatives that guided and informed the teaching and learning process
 - Served as communication liaison between the Department of Education and the Western Maine Superintendent Region regarding Department of Education policies and regulations
 - Provided statewide leadership and technical assistance for social studies education, including standards, assessment, and instruction
 - Designed, coordinated, brokered, and promoted ongoing professional development opportunities for Maine's educators
 - Collaborated with key state, regional, and national educational and content-related organizations to elevate the teaching and learning of social studies
 - Responded to legislative, public, and stakeholder requests related to social studies
 - Managed Maine's History Teacher of the Year Program and the United States Senate Youth Program
- **Education Consultant, Self-employed** **2009 – 2011**
 - Devised unique plans for twelve schools selected to participate in the Maine Community Heritage Project; provided high-quality support to diverse group of educators
 - Developed and expanded Maine Historical Society's online educational resources
 - Created an online curriculum for Bates College Museum of Art's, Thousand Words Project, a writing through art program
- **School Partnership Coordinator, Maine Historical Society** **2008 – 2009**
 - Managed eight grant-funded community projects as part of the Maine Memory Network
 - Facilitated collaboration between community organizations and schools in eight communities; united students and adults to explore local history
 - Designed and conducted orientation and training programs for students, teachers, and other community members; created curricular resources
 - Oversaw creation of eight unique community websites

- **RSU #49 Lawrence Junior High School - Fairfield, Maine** **1999 – 2008**
 - Initiated and implemented 20th century American history curriculum for grade 8
- **RSU #11 Gardiner Area High School - Gardiner, Maine** **1996 – 1999**
 - Grades 9-12 teacher of ancient civilizations, medieval history, and global studies

Professional Activities

- Maine Humanities Council Scholar **2016 – Pres**
- Maine Jump\$tart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy Board Member **2012 – Pres**
- National Council for State Social Studies Specialists Associate Member **2011 – Pres**
- Maine Council for the Social Studies Board Member **2009 – Pres**

Skills and Areas of Expertise

- Skilled in planning, developing, and coordinating multiple initiatives
- Accomplished and highly organized program manager committed to providing superior support and continual improvement of services to advance program objectives
- Adept at building collaborative partnerships with multiple stakeholders and engaging various audiences to build capacity
- Experienced facilitator and presenter with expertise in developing, coordinating, delivering, and assessing valuable learning and training experiences
- Committed to life-long learning, continuous improvement, and refinement of skills

Education

- University of Maine Farmington **1992 –1996**
 - Bachelor of Science, Secondary Education Social Science, cum laude
 - Alumni Scholar Recipient - 4 year full tuition scholarship recognizing excellence in academics, leadership, and personal character
 - Junior year study abroad experience

References

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