

Eric Blankenship

Education

Graduate student in PhD program in German with an emphasis in Comparative Literature. University of California, Irvine, 2003-present.

Master of Arts in German, 2003.
Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona.

Bachelor of Arts in German, minor in European History, 1999.
Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona.

University of Washington, 1996-1997, Seattle, Washington.

Associate of Arts and Science, 1991.
Wenatchee Valley Community College, Wenatchee, Washington.

Education Abroad

Universität zu Köln, Cologne, Germany, 2002-2003.

Fulbright Scholar, Universität Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany, 2001-2002.

Professional Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant. University of California, Irvine, 2004-present. Have been teaching first- and second-year German courses. Emphasis on cultural literacy and assessment.

ESL Instructor. UCI Extension, Summer 2004, 2007. Taught intermediate level conversation, reading and speaking courses.

ESL Instructor. Cologne, Germany, 2002-2003. Taught General English, Business English, and English for Special Purposes to adult professionals.

Graduate Teaching Assistant. Arizona State University, 1999-2001. Designed courses within the curriculum requirements for first-year German. Created exams, course projects, and daily lesson plans.

United Parcel Service, 1996-1997. Worked in dynamic and fast-paced environment for on-car supervisors and business manager of the Everett Center.

Microsoft Corporation, 1993-1995. Worked in self-managed team atmosphere focusing on continuous improvement towards maximum efficiency and customer satisfaction, creating and managing databases of enhanced customer experience and quality control.

Fellowships and Awards

UC Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2006-7.
UC Regents' Fellowship in the Humanities, 2003-2004.
Fulbright Scholarship, 2001-2002.
DANK Award (Arizona German Society), 2001.

Arizona State Board of Regents' Scholarship, 2000.
Austrian Society of Arizona Award, 1999.
Valedictorian Scholarship, Wenatchee Valley Community College, 1989-1991.

Areas of Interest

- representations of identity and altering through textual descriptions of non-literary artistic forms
- ETA Hoffmann and the *Frühromantiker*
- technology and learning, remodeling the age-old classroom-teacher-student environment

Memberships

Modern Language Association (2001-present)
German Studies Association (2004-present)
American Association of Teachers of German (2004-present)