# **Amy Dojahn Adjunct Psychology Instructor**

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# **Summary**

Adjunct College Psychology Instructor of 19 years. I am driven to inspire students to achieve personal and academic success, employing creative teaching strategies to engage students fully in the learning process. I strive to create a challenging and engaging learning environment in which students become life-long scholars and learners. I use a variety of tools to aid in the learning experience; classroom discussion activities, videos and power point. I believe a deeper learning takes place when information can be personally applied to the student's life. I teach with a balance of theory and practical application. I also ask probing questions to facilitate class discussion, which I believe aides to deeper pathways of learning. Psychology is a subject in which the student can have the opportunity to take theoretical concepts and see how they work in everyday life. That is why I also incorporate outside classroom activities that involve research and application.

# **Highlights**

- Innovative teaching methods
- Inspiring lecturer
- Accomplished academic advisor
- Online course instructor

- Effective use of multi-media teaching tools
- Exceptional written and verbal communicator
- Committed to cultivating student leadership

# **Accomplishments**

- A member of the Faculty Association Executive Committee
- Organized and sponsored Psi Beta
  Organized and sponsored the first disability awareness club on Navarro College Campus
- Faculty Advisor
- Organized the first Ability Awareness Day on Navarro College campus

# **Experience**

#### **District Coordinator of Disability Services/Counselor**

January 2012 to May 2016

Navarro College — Corsicana, Texas

- Interview students with disabilities to evaluate documentation and provide accommodations
- Provide support and educational information to staff and faculty on disability services
- Provide brief, cognitive/behavioral personal counseling to students when needed

#### Adjunct Psychology Instructor

August 2017 to Present

#### University of North Texas at Dallas – Dallas, Texas

Teach 1 to 2 classes of undergraduate classes in Psychology fall, spring and summer semesters

- Challenged and motivated students through online discussions.
- Inspired students to translate their academic interests into the real world by taking positive actions.
- Initiated thought-provoking online discussions to help students develop their critical thinking abilities.
- Maintained thorough records of student attendance and grades.
- Developed and taught classroom and online courses in Psychology

August 1999 to 2018

Navarro College — Waxahachie, Texas

Maintained a teaching load of 4 undergraduate courses in Psychology each semester.

- Challenged and motivated students through in-depth lectures and discussions.
- Lectured and communicated effectively with students from diverse backgrounds.
- Inspired students to translate their academic interests into the real world by taking positive actions.
- Initiated thought-provoking classroom discussions to help students develop their critical thinking abilities.
- Maintained thorough records of student attendance and grades.
- Developed and taught classroom and online courses in Psychology
- Counseled undergraduates in regard to educational and professional goals.
- Served as faculty sponsor for the Psi Beta student club.
- Served as an Academic Advisor for undergraduate students each year.
- Instructed General Psychology, Human Development, Social Psychology, Human Sexuality, and Psychology of Adjustment

#### **Adjunct Psychology Instructor**

January 2006 to December 2017

#### Cedar Valley College — Lancaster, TX

Maintained a teaching load of 3 undergraduate courses in Psychology each semester.

- Challenged and motivated students through in-depth lectures and discussions.
- Lectured and communicated effectively with students from diverse backgrounds.
- Inspired students to translate their academic interests into the real world by taking positive actions.
- Initiated thought-provoking classroom discussions to help students develop their critical thinking abilities.
- Maintained thorough records of student attendance and grades.
- Developed and taught classroom and online courses in Psychology.
- Counseled undergraduates in regard to educational and professional goals.
- Instructed General Psychology and Human Lifespan Development

#### Education

**Bachelors of Science: Education, Counselor**, 1988

University of North Texas — Denton, Texas, US

University of North Texas, Denton Bachelors of Science in Education (1988) - Major: Counselor Education

Master of Education: Counselor Education, Marriage/Family, 1991

Master of Education (1991) - Major: Counselor Education; Specialization: Marriage/Family

#### 18 Additional Graduate Hours in Psychology, 2006

Texas A&M Commerce

#### Certifications

Licensed Professional Counselor Licensed by the State Board of Examiners of Texas, 1994 Licensed by the State Board of Examiners of Texas

#### **Skills**

Instructor, Academic Advisor, Efficient in Microsoft programs, i.e word, excel, power point, Knowledge of online teaching platforms like Blackboard, Experience with information software programs like Colleague/Ellucian, Assistant Director, Public Relations, Training, Federal Regulations, Financial Aid, Liaison