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Education

Ph.D. in Education – Curriculum and Instruction, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL

Expected May 2028

Research Interest: The role of motivation in the L2 acquisition of Japanese in the Midwest.

M.A. in TESOL, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL

May 2023

M.M. in Piano Performance, Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, Bloomington, IN

Rotary Scholarship Recipient

B.A. in Music (Piano Performance), Musashino Music College, Tokyo, Japan

Work Experience

Teaching Assistant – Japanese (Elementary, Intermediate, Advanced Levels)

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL | 2021–Present

- Teach Japanese at various levels.
- Develop lesson plans, conduct instruction, and evaluate students.

- Prepare and perform music from Japanese anime and films with students for the Japanese Table (club).
- Led Japanese cooking demonstration at the Culinary Department.

Japanese Instructor – Upward Bound Summer Program

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL | Summer 2023 & 2024

- Taught elementary-level Japanese.
- Created lesson plans, delivered instruction, and assessed student performance.
- Organized musical performances with students using Japanese anime music.

Piano Instructor – SIU School of Music Summer Camp

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL | Summer 2023

- Provided classical music instruction to advanced piano students.

Translator/Interpreter

AISIN Manufacturing, Illinois

- Facilitated communication between Japanese and American staff.
- Translated documents and conducted live interpretation during meetings and on the factory floor.

Interpreter & Accompanist

Vienna-Asahikawa String Festival

- Interpreted during violin masterclasses between students and instructors (Japanese-English).
- Served as concert accompanist for festival performances.

Piano Teacher

Yamaha Music School, Poughkeepsie, NY

- Instructed students of varying ages and skill levels using Yamaha's structured teaching methods.

Accompanist

New York, NY

- Accompanied classical musicians, particularly violinists, at various concerts.
- Performed for concerts organized by the String/Voice Teacher Association of NY.

Accompanist

Japan & Europe

- Accompanied classical musicians across various concert venues in Europe and Japan.

Temporary Office Worker

Mitsubishi Trading Company

- Assisted with data entry and general office duties.

Awards

- *Outstanding Teacher Award*, Graduate and Professional Student Council, 2024.
- *Rotary Scholarship Recipient*

References

Dr. Satoshi Toyosaki

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