

Hugo Xiong

Mandarin Teacher

PROFILE

- Over five years of independent school teaching experience.
- Creator of the flipped mastery website for Mandarin learners, www.chineselanguagequest.com.
- Dedicated to helping all students succeed through differentiated, reflective, and student-centered learning.
- Passionate about bridging different cultures through language.
- Innovator in the integration of education and technology.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Stevenson School (Pebble Beach, CA)

2014-Present

Mandarin Teacher

- Taught high school classes at all levels, from novice to AP.
- Contributed to the school community as an advisor, coach, and dorm faculty member.
- Grew the Mandarin program every year, including creating a literature and film class.
- Developed a unique story-based mastery curriculum aligned with ACTFL standards.
- Inspired students with fun communicative activities and projects.
- Experimented with individual learning contracts and portfolio-based assessment.
- Helped students develop metacognitive strategies around habits, deliberate practice, and the growth mindset.

The Dalton School (New York, NY)

2013-2014

Mandarin Student Teacher and Substitute Teacher

- Taught middle and high school classes.
- Involved in all aspects of curriculum design, lesson planning, and classroom instruction.
- Developed a pen pal project connecting Dalton students to ESL students in China.

EDUCATION

New York University Steinhardt School of Education

2012-2014

- M.A. in Foreign Language Education & TESOL (GPA 4.0).

Duke University

2005-2009

- B.A. in Philosophy & English Literature; Minor in Chinese.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Member of CLTA-California, CLASS, and CLTA.
- Professional development via language conferences, workshops, and the Stanley King Counseling Institute.
- Extensive experience with a plethora of online educational tools.
- PADI-certified Advanced Scuba Diver.
- Science fiction and fantasy writer.

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