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Education

MA, Library Science
BA, Art History
AA
9-12

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
Pine Manor Jr. College, Chestnut Hill, MA
Hockaday School, Dallas, TX

Professional History

1983-
2021

New York State Association of Independent Schools

Associate Director for Professional Development

- Design, build and organize a comprehensive program of conferences, workshops, institutes and think tanks for the membership of 194 NYSAIS schools. Currently 72 annual events serving over 5,100 participants.
- Signature programs include
 - Beginning Teachers Institute
 - Experienced Teachers Institute
 - Educating Boys
 - Educating Girls
 - Annual residential conferences for constituent groups: Heads of School; Business Managers; Assistant and Division Heads; Information Technologists and Librarians; Athletic Directors; Psychologists, Counselors and Health Educators; Admissions Directors; Institutional Advancement Professionals; Global Language Teachers; Department Chairs; Diversity Practitioners, Early Childhood and Lower School Directors; Administrative Assistants.
 - Topical residential conferences include Sex Education and Gender Diversity; Brain Conference, Service Learning, STEAM.
 - Trustee Governance events
 - Day-long workshops and workshop series covering many topics.
- Help to develop and sustain: Emerging Leaders Institute; Justice, Equity and Diversity Institute
- Work with many committees and task forces, website, marketing and event registration
- Collaborate regularly with other associations: CAIS, NJAIS, NAIS, NY Interschool, IBSC, NCGS
- Until 2013 served as technology coordinator and webmaster
- During COVID, shifted entire PD operation online, including Zoom meetings, conferences, eSeminars, Roundtables

1982-3

Software Distributors, New York City

Software tester and trainer, develop training materials

1973-6

Altadena Public Library, CA

Librarian, specializing in the arts and young adult collections

1971-3

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Slide Librarian, Department of Art History