

JUDY G. OKUN

236 Society Hill Boulevard
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

Phone: 856/520-2589
judyokun1@gmail.com

EDUCATION: Villanova University, M.A.,
Major: History, G.P.A.: 3.8
Concentrations: World History

New York University, M.A.,
Major: Environmental Conservation Policy and Education, G.P.A.: 3.6
M.A. Thesis: *The History of Lower Colorado River Basin Development*

New York University, B.A.,
Major: Journalism and Mass Communication, G.P.A.: 3.2

HONORS: Member: Phi Alpha Theta-National history honor society-11/2010
Tau-Phi-Villanova University history honor society-11/2010
Phi Kappa Phi-Villanova University cross-discipline honor society-4/2011

TECHNOLOGY: Experience with: MS Word, Excel, Blackboard, Web Study, Canvas, Desire to Learn, Power Point, designing and leading online and hybrid courses, online museum exhibitions, Safe Assign, Ref Works, and Google Scholar.

EXAMS/LICENSES: Graduate Record Exam, 2007—94th percentile verbal, 88th percentile-analytical writing
Permanent teacher certification in Social Studies-New Jersey and New York
Qualified NJ/PA/DE Praxis Exam-all segments-March 2010

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT:

- United States History
- History of Western Civilization
- World Regional Geography
- Foundations in Geographic Education-**fully online, hybrid**
- Senior Geography Thesis Seminar-**fully online, hybrid**
- Introduction to Physical and Cultural Geography
- Human Geography-**hybrid**
- Geography/History of US and Canada
- Earth, People, and the Environment

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/NON-CREDIT COURSES DESIGNED AND TAUGHT:

- Water Issues in the US/Canada
- History of Exploration
- The Spice Trade

- The Great Ice Age
- When Worlds Collide—the Year 1492
- The Pacific Rim
- The Environmental Debate
- The Great American Western Road Trip
- Our Dynamic Earth-A Convergence of History and Geography

EMPLOYMENT:

8/2011-present

Rowan University, Glassboro, NJ

Dept. of Geography and the Environment

$\frac{3}{4}$ Instructor

Liaison-Geography/Liberal Studies Students

Faculty Advisor, Gamma Theta Upsilon-Geography Honors Society

Online Course Development Mentor and Advisor

- Developed and teach prototype online and hybrid senior thesis courses.
- Provide detailed student feedback each week.
- Develop rubric/assessments to evaluate student progress.
- Work collaboratively with students with sensitivity to special needs and a diverse student population.
- Develop students' critical thinking, collaborative, presentation, research, and writing skills applying ideas of Bloom's taxonomy.
- Proficient in *Blackboard 9.0*, *Ref Works*, *Google Scholar*, *Power Point*, *Microsoft Word* and other electronic teaching/learning resources.
- Incorporate map analysis, primary sources, presentation skills, and collaborative learning into curricula.
- Familiarize students with research fundamentals for writing major (30-page) research papers (for Senior Thesis Seminar), introduce persuasive writing techniques, qualitative research techniques, citation engines, APA formatting, electronic and library-based research, writing center, interviews, surveys, developing hypotheses, and use of primary sources and journal articles for research.
- Moderator for New Jersey State Geography Bee competition.

8/2016-present

West Chester University, West Chester, PA

Adjunct Geography Instructor

- Teach World Geography course. Reinforce study skills, writing, note-taking and critical thinking.

2007-present

Center for Civic Responsibility-Camden County College, Cherry Hill, NJ

Professional Development in History - Workshop Developer and Leader

- Research, develop, implement, and lead five-week professional development workshops for secondary school teachers and the greater community in cross-curricular historical, geographic, and environmental topics.
- Work with K-12 teachers and lifelong learners.

2007-present

Lifelong Learning Institute-Katz JCC, Cherry Hill, NJ
Adult Education Course Developer and Instructor

- Develop and facilitate workshops for adults on environmental, geographic, and historical topics.

2005-2016

Camden County College, Blackwood, NJ
Adjunct History and Geography Instructor

- Teach courses and promote development of college skills to a multi-age, ethnically diverse student population and academically at-risk students.
- Incorporate skills in: responsibility, critical thinking, speaking and listening, presenting, organization, collaboration, writing, note-taking, working within deadlines, and discussion/debate.
- Instill a positive learning environment based on respect and professionalism to encourage academic success.
- Developed hybrid course through Web Study LMS.

June 2010-present

Educational Testing Service, Ewing, NJ/Cincinnati, OH
Advanced Placement Exam Reader and Scorer

- Use grading rubric to score AP essay questions, collaborate with colleagues, and participate in professional development workshops.

1/2015-5/2015

Rowan College at Burlington County, Mount Laurel, NJ

- Taught Ancient and Medieval Foundations course.
- Utilized Blackboard and PowerPoint.

2005-2011

Gloucester County College, Sewell, NJ
History and Geography Adjunct Instructor

- Taught US and Western Civilization history, Physical and Cultural Geography courses.
- Mentored student teachers through the *Teacher 2000* program.
- Completed, *Excellence in Online Teaching* Training Course.
- Collaborated with colleagues on inter-disciplinary connections.
- Incorporated AP high history students into college class via interactive television.

1992-1994

Tsongas Industrial History Center at Lowell National Historical Park, Lowell, MA
Public Historian/Museum Education Specialist

- Developed and wrote labor/industrial history curriculum materials for secondary schools.
- Collaborated to create new museum programs.
- Created evaluation rubric for critiquing job performance of workshop leaders.
- Created a positive, supportive and amiable work environment.
- Supervised and evaluated over 25 docents.
- Evaluated education programs and headed design team for new museum programs.
- Coordinated *National History Day* competition for high school and middle school students.

7/89-8/89

National Parks Conservation Association, Washington, DC
Graduate Student Intern

- Developed national parks K-12 curriculum materials.
- Attended, analyzed, and summarized Senate and House hearings on public lands issues, particularly for enlargement of Death Valley National Park.

1/89-6/89

Gateway National Recreation Area, Brooklyn, NY
Graduate Student Intern

- Led student programs.
- Organized environmental library.

1987-1992

Pershing Intermediate School-New York City Public Schools, Brooklyn, NY
Middle Social Studies and Language Arts Teacher

- Developed and presented lessons, organized field trips, interfaced with parents, advised students in a New York City public middle school.
- Worked with a diverse student population in an urban setting.

1985-1987

Kingsborough Community College, Brooklyn, NY
Basic English Skills Instructor

- Taught basic reading and composition skills within classroom and one-to-one settings.
- Tailored approach for students based on individual needs and aptitudes.

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS/CONFERENCES:

Association of New Jersey Environmental Educators Annual Conference,
Princeton, NJ

- 1/2010** Presenter, *Water and the West: History of the US Environmental Movement*
- 1/2011** Presenter, *Singin' the Blues: Water-Related Environmental Issues in the Gulf, Grand Canyon and Chesapeake Bay*
- Mutter Museum**, Philadelphia, PA
- 1/2014** Co-Curator, *A Philadelphia Physician Encounters the Great War*
<http://www.cppdigitallibrary.org/exhibits/show/great-war-physician>
- 11/2015** Participant, *Understanding the Middle East*, Foreign Policy and Research Institute, Philadelphia, PA
- 11/2017** Participant, *Teaching Eurasia*, Foreign Policy Research Institute, Philadelphia, PA

ASSOCIATIONS:

- National Council for Geographic Education
- American Historical Association
- Forestry History Society
- American Society for Environmental History
- Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Association

ADDITIONAL:

- Extensive travel throughout Western US and Canada
- Taught at Community College of Philadelphia-spring 2009.