

02/28/96 Ph.D. in English, St. Louis University. St. Louis, MO.
Dissertation: Elizabeth Gaskell's Use of Color in Her Industrial
Novels and Short Stories.

Summer 1985 Attended Humanities Institute in Cambridge, England during
August.

08/15/75 M.A. in English, Creighton University. Omaha, NE.

01/25/70 B.A. in English, Creighton University. Omaha, NE.

Professional Development Honors

2003 Listed in Who's Who in America. 58th ed.

2001 Named Teacher of the Year. Missouri Valley College.
Marshall, MO.

5/10/01 Received the John McCallum Excellence in Teaching Award.
Missouri Valley College.
Marshall, MO.

1998 Listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

1992 Received Honorable Mention in The HarperCollins Fellowship
Competition. CCCC. Cincinnati, IN.

05/08/91 Received "Most Influential Teacher Award" from University of
Missouri-Columbia.

1990 Listed in Who's Who in American Education 1989-1990.

Scholarship Publications

Elizabeth Gaskell's Use of Color in Her Industrial Novels and
Short Stories. Lanham, MD: University Press of
America, 1999.

"Using Common Errors to Improve Student Writing." "What
Works for You." Teaching English in the Two-Year
College 20.1 (1993): 38.

"Why Teach Composition?" Nebraska English Counselor 16.2
(1971): 3-10.

"The Encounter." Sisters Council Newsletter. 2:2.

"Tomorrow's World Sleeping within My Walls." Focus 4.4

(1968):22-25.

Presentations

- 7/12/02 "Teaching the Short Story.² 7th International Short Story Conference. New Orleans.
- 6/14/02 "Our Cats." AP Reading. Daytona Beach, FL.
- 3/14/97 "Elizabeth Gaskell and John, and the Morality of Color." Missouri Philological Association. St. Louis, MO.
- 03/16/94 "Learning to Be Comfortable with Creative Noise." Research Network, CCCC. Nashville, TN.
- 04/13/91 "The Changing Face of Myth in W. S. Merwin's Poetry." Missouri Philological Association (MPA), College of the Ozarks. Point Lookout, MO.
- 11/15/90 "Song of Solomon: A Comparison to Song of Songs." Graduate Colloquium, St. Louis University. St. Louis, MO.
- 03/31/89 "Song of Solomon: A Comparison to Song of Songs." MPA, Northeast Missouri State University. Kirksville.
- 10/18/86 "Fantasy and Fairy Tales." Guest lecturer at Adolescent Literature Class, Fontbonne College. St. Louis, MO.
- 05/16/86 Poetry Reading. Student Nurses' Pinning Ceremony, St. Mary's College of O'Fallon. O'Fallon, MO.
- 12/03/84 "Orwell's 1984." PTK Initiation, St. Mary's College of O'Fallon. O'Fallon, MO.
- 03/15/84 "Madness and Its Function in Selected Revenge Tragedies." MPA, Southeast Missouri State University. Cape Girardeau, MO.
- 03/25/83 "C. S. Lewis' Depiction of Salvation in The Perelandra Trilogy." MPA, Northwest Missouri State University. St. Joseph, MO.

Membership in Professional Organizations

National Council Teachers of English	Since 1970s
Missouri Philological Association	Since 1980s
Modern Language Association	Since 1980s

Victorians Institute	Since 1980s
Gaskell Society	Since 1990s
Short Story Society	Since 2002

Teaching
1996-present

Missouri Valley College. Marshall, MO. Professor of English. Taught Freshman Seminar, Rhetoric and Composition, Literature and Composition, Modern Literature, American Literature II, English Literature I & II, Nineteenth Century English Literature, World Literature I & II, Dramatic Literature, Speech, Science Fiction, and Greek and Roman Mythology.

1995-1996

St. Louis University. St. Louis, MO. Adjunct instructor. Taught Secondary English Methods, Reading and Writing across the Curriculum in the Content Areas, and Supervision of Student Teaching

1992-1995

St. Mary's High School. St. Louis, MO. Part-time. Taught College Credit Advanced Composition and Introduction to Literature (using works from around the world).

11/7-12/18/93;

St. Louis University. St. Louis, MO. Adjunct instructor. 1990-1992 Taught Introduction to Literature, Composition, British Literature Survey I.

1987-1990

St. Mary's Academy. O'Fallon, MO. English Chair. Taught Composition (10-12); American, British, and World Literature; Freshman English (including grammar, composition, and literature); and Freshman Speech.

1981-1987,
1979-1980

St. Mary's College. O'Fallon, MO. English Chair. Taught British Literature; Contemporary Literature; Composition II, a literary analysis course with primary emphasis on writing; Freshman Composition, including the research paper; Basic Composition; and Speech Communication.

1972-1979

St. Elizabeth Academy. St. Louis, MO. Taught American, British, & World Literature (each containing a composition component); Freshman Speech; and Drama.

1971-1972

St. Peter's Grade School. Quincy, IL. Taught grade 6; Departmental English, grades 6 & 8.

1970-1971	St.Richard's Grade School. Omaha, NE. Taught grade 6 & Departmental English and Reading, grades 7-8.
College Service 2002-present	Member of North Central Steering C ommittee. Missouri Valley College. Marshall, MO.
1998-1999	Chair of the Library Advising Committee. Missouri Valley College. Marshall, MO.
1996-1998	Member of the Academic Issues Committee and of the Library Advising Committee. Missouri Valley College. Marshall. MO.
1996-present	Contributed books & materials for the vertical file to Missouri Valley College Library.
1983	Set up and organized St. Mary's College Learning Activities Center. O'Fallon, MO.
1981-1987	Member of Academic Affairs Committee of St. Mary's College of O'Fallon. O'Fallon, MO.
1981	Edited the final copy of St. Mary's College Self study for the North Central Evaluation. O'Fallon, MO.
Community Service 1997-present	Contributed various audio cassettes to Marshall Public Library.
1998	Participated in the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood Chapter. O'Fallon, MO.
1998	Member St. Peter's Choir. Marshall, MO.
1994-1996	Member St. Margaret's Choir. St. Louis, MO.
1993-1994	Member of the Board of Directors of Linda Vista Catholic School. Chesterfield, MO.
1991	Member of the St. Louis Archdiocesan Evaluation Visiting Committee for St. John the Baptist Grade School. St. Louis.
1990	Member of the North Central Evaluation Visiting Committee for St. Elizabeth Academy. St. Louis, MO.

- 1989-1990 President of Christian Interscholastic Speech League.
St. Louis, MO.
- 1982-1985 Member of the Executive Board of Greater St. Louis
English Teachers Association (GSLETA). MO.
- 1984 Member of the North Central Evaluation Visiting Committee for
Aquinas High School. Florissant, MO.
- 1982 Contributed outlines “Effective Writing” and “Making an
Oral Report” to the Precious Blood Education Day.
O’Fallon, MO.
- Other Relevant Experience**
- 6/10-16/02 Read English Advanced Placement (AP) examinations. Daytona
Beach.
- 1/3/02 Attended Excel Workshop. Missouri Valley College.
- July 2001 Visited England and gathered more information about the
land, the literature, and the authors.
- June 2001 Read English Advanced Placement (AP) examinations.
Daytona Beach.
- summer 2000 Scholar in residence. St. Louis University. Did further
research on Elizabeth Gaskell’s short stories.
- 7/6-9/00 Attended Encuentro 2000. Los Angeles, CA.
- 1980-1981 Co-wrote Constitutions of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood.
St. Louis, MO