

**Benjamin P. Thompson**  
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**EXPERIENCE**

2009-Present **Fifth Grade Teacher**, Taipei American School, Taipei, Taiwan

- ◆ Develop curriculum and teach fifth grade content areas.
- ◆ Lead fifth grade team through departmentalization restructuring.

2004-2009 **Elementary, English, Spanish Educator**, American School in Taichung, Taiwan

- ◆ Taught third grade, Spanish and High School English and ESOL.
- ◆ Developed blogs and websites to communicate with students and parents.
- ◆ Coordinated WASC Accreditation process.
- ◆ Coached volleyball, softball and cross country.
- ◆ Initiated and produced annual literary magazine.

1996-2004 **Elementary Educator**, Zavala Elementary School, Austin, Texas

- ◆ Taught third, fourth and fifth grade bilingual/ESOL and regular education classes.
- ◆ Researched and designed curriculum in multiple subjects.
- ◆ Collaborated with community to implement after school programs.

1994-1996 **Elementary Educator**, Dahlstrom Intermediate School, Buda, Texas

- ◆ Designed and implemented instruction for mixed-age bilingual/ESOL class.
- ◆ Led the Language Proficiency Assessment committee.

1991-1994 **ESL/GED Educator**, Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas

- ◆ Implemented ESOL/GED program in county jails and federal prison.

**EDUCATION**

2008-2011 **Michigan State University**, East Lansing, Michigan, Masters of Education

1994-1995 **Region XIII Teacher Certification Program**, Austin, Texas

1987-1991 **Vassar College**, Poughkeepsie, New York, Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND HONORS**

2010-2011 Columbia Teachers College Reading and Writing Project Training

2007 International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program Training

1999 International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program Training

1997-2004 Mentor Teacher, University of Texas, Multilingual Education

1994-1997 Mentor Teacher, Region XIII Teacher Certification Program

1994-1998 Community Organizer, Austin Interfaith Alliance, Austin, Texas

1998 Austin Chronicle Award “Best Place to Find Young Filmmakers”

**CERTIFICATION**

- ◆ English Lang. Arts 9-12
- ◆ Spanish 6-12
- ◆ Bilingual/ESOL K-6
- ◆ Elementary Self-Contained K-6