

Terri Kirschbaum Taylor

INTRODUCTION

My name is Terri K. Taylor. I am a part time lecturer at CSULB and student teacher Supervisor in the field of Adapted Physical Education. I have held this position for one and a half semesters. I have been retired from teaching Adapted Physical Education in the public schools for 5 years, the last 25 years with Bellflower Unified School District. In addition, I am a former CSULB student, MA 1999, and part time staff member (Lecturer in the Kinesiology Department), from 2000-2004. I have taught KIN 427/527 Motor Assessment and Kin 526 ABA for Physical Education.

As a person with over 30 years of experience in the field of APE, I have many skills that are crucial for a good supervisor or master teacher. I am flexible, hard working, organized and knowledgeable. I am proficient in the areas of gross and fine motor assessment, report writing, data collection, IEP goal development and designing appropriate gross motor lesson plans. I have many years of practical experience, I work well with others and have a good sense of humor. I look forward to sharing my expertise and passion for teaching with future teachers at CSULB.

EXPERIENCE

Currently I am employed by Cal State University Long Beach, as a part time lecturer and student teacher supervisor. I have held this position since August 2020.

Adapted Physical Education Specialist, Bellflower Unified School District, Bellflower, CA September-1990 thru July 1, 2015

* Itinerant APE Specialist for grades preschool thru Adult Transition, ages 3-21 years. I provided direct instruction to students with a broad range of disabilities. I designed lessons for students along the APE service delivery continuum. I managed a caseload that ranged from 60-85 students, maintaining current IEPs, performing triennial assessments, initial assessments, writing reports and providing resources and information to both parents and school staff in the areas of gross and fine motor development.

* Member of the district's preschool assessment and SST (Student Study Team.) My area of expertise is motor development. I worked with the school psychologist and Speech Pathologist, performing initial assessments for identified students turning 3 years of age, in addition to assessing children under the age of 5, in response to parent driven requests. I taught preschool APE children in SDC, Head Start preschool and Transitional Kindergarten.

- * Special Education/ Special Programs elected Union Representative the last 10 years as a teacher in BUSD. I advocated for Special Education Teachers and students, especially after the district took back it's Moderate/Severe programs from LA County Dept. of Education in the early 2000s. I helped write a chapter in the Teacher's Union Contract dedicated to Special Education, since our Special Education Language had not been updated in over 20 year. I understand Special Education Laws and Guidelines that guide our public schools.
- * Master Teacher in Adapted Physical Education for students at CSULB. I had 2 student teachers and numerous undergraduate students fulfill observation hours in my district, while I was teaching APE.

**California State University, Long Beach, Long Beach, CA
Spring Semesters, 2001-2004**

- * Part Time Lecturer, KPE 427/527 Physical and Motor Assessment in Physical Education.
- * Prepared class syllabus, designed assignments and taught one , 3 hours a night per week, to students studying Adapted Physical Education and Kinesiotherapy.
- * Supervised the Motor Development Lab for one semester when Dr. Lavay was on a sabbatical. I was in charge of overseeing lessons and activities, writing observations and providing gross motor themes for the semester.

**Los Angeles County Office of Education, Downey, CA
October 1986 thru July 1990**

- * Itinerant Adapted Physical Education teacher for numerous districts. In 1986/87 South Pasadena and Alhambra School Districts. 1987-1990, Lynwood and Compton School Districts.
- * Performed the duties of an APE teacher, IEP development, providing direct and consultative services to all students, performed assessments and distributing support materials to teachers and parents.

**Lord Baden Powell Elementary School, Anaheim, CA
September 1985 thru June 1986**

Adapted Physical Education Teacher

**Savanna Elementary School District, Anaheim, CA
September 1984 thru June 1986**

Itinerant Adapted Physical Education Teacher

EDUCATION

- * California State University Long Beach, Long Beach, CA -Spring 1996 thru Spring 1999: Masters Degree in Kinesiology with an emphasis in Adapted P.E., motor development and motor learning.
- * California State University Fullerton, Fullerton, CA - Fall 1980 thru Fall 1982: Lifetime Single Subject Teaching Credential in Physical Education with supplemental authorizations in Adapted PE and Biology.
- * University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA Fall 1977 thru June 1979: Bachelor of Arts Degree, Physical Education
- * University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA Fall 1975 thru June 1977 Undergraduate studies in the field of Humanities

AWARDS and INTERESTS

- * 2014 WHO AWARD for Bellflower Unified School District. Given to one teacher a year who provides exemplary leadership both as teacher and as a union representative
- * Dean's Honor Roll at CSULB, CSUF and UC Berkeley
- * Avid swimmer. Swam competitively all 4 years in college. Varsity Swim Team captain at Cal my senior year. I still swim at least 5 days a week.
- * Club Water Polo player at Cal, CSUF and 5 years playing on a club team.
- * Enjoy beach combing and clean up, travel, museums and being in nature.
- * Lifetime member: California Alumni and Big "C" Society, Cal State Long Beach Alumni and California Teachers Association

REFERENCES

- * Dr. Barry Lavay, Professor of Kinesiology Emeritus, CSULB, Long Beach, CA
- * Dr. Sharon Dill, Professor of Data Science, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL
- * Tracy McSparren, Superintendent of Bellflower Unified School District, Bellflower, CA

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