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EDUCATION

Ph.D. – University of Southern California (2010) – U.S. Political History

M.A. – University of Southern California (2007) – U.S. History

B.A. – Pomona College, a top-five private liberal arts college (2004) – History

HIGH SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer – California State Universities at Pomona, Los Angeles, and Fullerton (2011-present)

Subject Areas: U.S. History survey, California History, Introduction to American Studies

- Create flexible curriculums to meet needs of students and departments
- Work individually with students to improve testing, writing, and participation outcomes
- Improve students' written communication and historical analysis through focused assignments
- Engage students by integrating technology and visual learning in the classroom
- Earn student evaluations in the 90-99th percentile each quarter

Invited Guest Teacher

- Teaching a course in the Huntington Library's new *Huntington U.* series (upcoming 2015)
- Instructed K-12 teachers on immigration history and economic history (2012, 2013)
- Appeared on C-SPAN to discuss Barry Goldwater's role in Arizona politics (2009)

Volunteer High School Instructor – Pasadena, CA (2010-2013)

Subject Areas: Old Testament, New Testament, and Church History

- Delivered original lesson material each weekday for students in grades 9-12
- Energized students at 6 AM by varying lesson styles and building personal relationships
- Continued friendships beyond the classroom and graduation

Teaching Assistant – University of Southern California (2005-2008)

Subject Areas: U.S. History, U.S. Labor History, The Holocaust, American Civil Religion

- Led students in group discussions to reach deeper understanding of challenging subjects
- Improved student research papers by breaking down the assignment into multiple stages and provided feedback at each point

Tutor – Upward Bound, Claremont, CA (1998-1999, 2001-2002)

- Tutored low-income high school students in East Los Angeles schools
- Provided support across all subjects and for college preparation activities

For more information, see my website at <http://jasonlabau.com/teaching>

LEADERSHIP

Regional Teaching Director – congregations in Pasadena-East Los Angeles area (2014-present)

- Train local leaders and teachers to improve instruction for adults and youth
- Planning spring teaching conference for 100+ expected participants

Writing Group Director – Huntington-USC Institute on California & the West (2010-2012)

- Established a cross-disciplinary, multi-university group to improve writing quality and experience of graduate students working on dissertations
- Achieved drastic improvement in tenure-track hiring among group participants

Resident Advisor – Pomona College, Claremont, CA (2002-2004)

- Mentored and supervised students to promote health, safety, and collegiality
- Developed and executed educational and social events for the campus community