

Karen Sue Boyd

PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

Strong presenting, educating, and debating skills; specializing in bilingual topics.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Educator, American Sign Language

- Arapahoe Community College, Littleton, CO (1997–1999)
- Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind, Littleton, CO (1998–1999)
- Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO (2014-2015)
- Community College of Denver, Denver, CO (2015-2016)
- Front Range Community College, Westminster, CO (2006, 2009)
- Google, Boulder, CO (2012-2014)
- Leadership Institute for Interpreters, (2008-2015)
- Master Mentor, (2008-2010)
- Metropolitan State College of Denver, Denver, CO (1993–2004)
- Red Rocks Community College, Lakewood, CO (2006–2012)
- Regis University, Denver, CO (2009-2010)
- United States Olympic Committee, (1994)
- University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (2001–2018, 2020-present)
- University of Northern Colorado, Greeley and Denver, CO (2012-2020)
- Upward Bound Program at Metropolitan State College of Denver, Denver, CO (1994)
- Upward Bound Program at University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (2002)
 - Instruct American Sign Language and Deaf culture face-to-face/hybrid/online/remote courses to undergraduate and graduate students, faculty and staff members, and parents.
 - Prepare and present lectures and customize PowerPoint presentations along with videos; administer examinations and evaluate students; research and compile specialized materials for classroom assignments; and stimulate class discussions.
 - Tutored students at all levels of ASL courses.
 - Mentored student-interpreter in advanced interpreting course.
 - Taught conversational skills in ASL to Native American 9th-10th grade students from various states with the Upward Bound program at CU; to students in the Arapahoe Community College after-school program for high school students; and to at-risk Denver Public School high school students with the Upward Bound at Metro.
 - Educated parents of CSDB Deaf students how to communicate with Deaf children.

Communication Access Coordinator

University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (1999–Present)

- Coordinate classroom communication access services to undergraduate and graduate students and supervise captioning, sign language interpreting, and note-taking services.
- Revise required documents, policies, guidelines, and letters to comply with American with Disabilities Act, Rehabilitation Act Section 504, and university policies.
- Mentor sign language interpreters; update website; report to state voter registration office; and coordinate scholarships.
- Advocate on behalf of students, faculty, and staff about communication access and federal laws.
- Manage budgets; ordered materials, software, and laptops; and attended and presented at professional development events.

General Manager

ADCO Hearing Products, Littleton, CO (1995–2000)

- Purchased specialized equipment, books on sign language, hearing loss, and interpreting, and unique gifts from vendors.
- Sold products to deaf and hard of hearing consumers, educators, and interpreters.
- Exhibited at events; developed promotional materials and catalog; provided training to businesses on using TTYs and adaptive equipment; coordinated equipment and video rentals; provided customer service; created website for online ordering.

EDUCATION

Recent several doctoral coursework in linguistics as a non-degree student.

M.A., University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Bilingual and Multicultural Education, 2006

B.A., Metropolitan State College of Denver, CO, Community Services Administration, 1994

PRESENTATIONS

The Marriage of Verbs in American Sign Language: ASLTA-Colorado (2004, 2006), Michigan-ASLTA (2005), CRID-Mile High (2006), CRID state conference (2006), Boston-MCDHH/Legal, Pittsburgh-ASLTA (2007), Iowa-Kirkwood Community College/IPP (2007), Denver Public School-Educational Interpreters (2008), Leadership Institute for Interpreters (2008), Colorado/Wyoming Interpreters Coordinators (2008), Kentucky-RID (2008)

The Character of Syntax in American Sign Language: Michigan-ASLTA/RID (2008), Leadership Institute for Interpreters (2008), Kansas/Missouri-RID (2009), CRID state conference (2009), PPCC Mentors (2009), CDE The Week (2011 and 2012)

Is That My Voice?: Leadership Institute for Interpreters (2009), Kansas/Missouri-RID (2009)

ASL Joiners: Leadership Institute for Interpreters (2009)

Classifications of Classifiers: Leadership Institute for Interpreters (2009), ALSTA-Michigan (2009), CRID-MH (2009), DPS Educational Interpreter (2011),

A First Aid Kit for Relationship Building Between Deaf Consumers and Interpreters: CRID state conference (2010)

Pauses and Self-Repairs: CRID state conference (2010), Leadership Institute for Interpreters (2010), CRID state conference (2011), Indiana Chapter of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (2013), Nevada Chapter of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (2014)

Facial Intonation in ASL: CRID state conference (2012), Indiana Chapter of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (2013), BVSD Educational Interpreters (2013)

Gestures in ASL and English: Prosody and Placement through Comparison and Contracts: CRID state conference (2013)

Deaf Awareness at University of Colorado-Boulder: Deaf and Gay/GLBT; Flying Words Project/P. Cook & K. Lerner; Deaf and Transgender/Drago; Surviving in a Deaf Hostile World/C. Smith; Deaf American Indian/M. McKay-Cody; My Rights? Myths about the Law/H. Rosenblum; Audism/J. Lee & H-Dirken; and Sound and Fury/J. Aronson

Diversity-ASL/Deaf Culture: University of Colorado-Boulder: Student Affairs, Facilities Management, Accounting, Hallet Hall, Student Academic Services Center, Academic Excellence Program, Wardenberg, Communication, Speech Language and Hearing Science, Police and Parking Services, Psychology, and Norlin Library; University of Denver; Front Range Community College; CCD/Metro/UCD; and Meridian Senior Housing.

RESEARCHES

Video Quality: National Information Science Technology (2012)

ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Graduate Independent Study Team Committee, Lesley University at Cambridge, Massachusetts

- *Reviewed goals and reports, consulted graduate student in research, and provided suggestions, resources, and referrals.*

President/Member, American Sign Language Teachers Association of Colorado

- *Coordinated annual programs, maintained website, coordinated print materials, and educated public and policymakers.*

ASL Law Task Force Committee: Colorado Commission of Higher Education,
Colorado Department of Education, and Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind

- *Developed policies and procedures to accept ASL for foreign language credit, created resources, and revised state standards.*

Member, Colorado Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf

- *Coordinated 2010 state conference workshops. Delivered presentations on ASL topics, mentored interpreters, coordinated joint state conference with ASLTAC.*

Chancellor's Committee on Women, Blue Ribbons, Center for Community Communication,
University of Colorado-Boulder

- *Discussed and provided feedback and suggestions on disability-related accommodations.*

Logistics Officer, United States of America Deaf Sports Federation

- *Coordinated travel, arranged lodging and meals, and ordered apparel for the USA Deaf Team at the 2001 Deaflympics in Rome, Italy.*