



## John T. Miller

English, Outdoor Education,  
Journalism



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### PROFILE

I am a dynamic and passionate educator with a unique blend of skills in Outdoor and Experiential Education. As a lifelong enthusiast of world exploration, I have developed experiential and outdoor programs and curriculum in the many schools I have been a part of. I have skills in writing and media production which have dovetailed with my passion for teaching Journalism, Yearbook, and Film Studies. I hold a Masters of Fine Arts in Creative Nonfiction which has prepared me to develop cutting edge pedagogy in writing personal essays as well as fiction, poetry and screenwriting as part of my English and Creative Writing classes. I have experience with IB Film and Film Studies including the production of award winning student films as well as personal work documenting my climbing and travels.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Experiential Education Coordinator

*Korea International School - 2018 to 2020*

Planned and implemented multi-day Experiential Education field excursions for grades 4-12; liaised with grade level teams to provide curricular ties and alignment, supervised hiring and staff development of trip leads; conducted field based risk assessments and developed course itineraries with community partners.

#### English/Digital and Broadcast Journalism

*Korea International School - 2015-2018*

Built coursework in Digital Journalism and Advanced Journalism to produce television programs for the HS division; taught American Literature and Creative Writing.

#### Outdoor Education Coordinator

*Chadwick International School - 2014 to 2015*

Taught Creative Writing and Yearbook; designed and implemented Outdoor Education courses as Middle School Experiential Learning Coordinator; enacted school-wide substitute management system and taught various subjects as an in-house substitute teacher.

#### English/Film Studies Teacher

*American Collegiate Institute, Turkey- 2012 to  
2014*

Taught Turkish ministry curriculum using International Baccalaureate (IB) Framework; designed IELTS test preparation; sponsored the International Student Theatre Association (ISTA) club and hosted a conference; taught digital filmmaking and film studies.

### EDUCATION

#### MFA Creative Nonfiction

*National University - 2014 to 2019*

An academically rigorous and nationally recognized Masters program in Fine Arts with a concentration in nonfiction and screenwriting and a thesis component.

#### BA English and Secondary English Education

*University of Colorado at Boulder - 2000-2004*

Teacher licensure and English BA.

## AWARDS and Leadership

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Indian Mountaineering

Federation Film Festival

Filmmaker of Distinction | 2018

My film about the first ascent of Janhukot was shown at the IMF and received accolades.

Google Conference Presenter | 2016

I led a workshop on podcasting at the Seoul Google Summit.

ISTA Coordinator | 2013

Helped to organize and run the International Student Theatre Association Conference in Izmir.

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EDUCATOR

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## EXPERIENCE (continued)

English Teacher | American School in Taichung | 2010-2012

Conceived and implemented rhetoric course using "Wilderness Studies" framework; organized community service projects for Wilderness Studies course; Advisor to the Model United Nations (MUN) travel team; co-managed an in house MUN Conference of over 200 student delegates; served on standards approval committee for WASC accreditation.

English and Publications Teacher | Salinas High School | 2005-2008

Taught courses in Journalism and Student Publications; advised the student Yearbook and managed publications budget of 100,000USD; developed and implemented curriculum for 9th and 10th grade English; taught English Language Development to English Language Learners.

Trip Leader/ Logistics Coordinator | Pacific Crest Outward Bound School | 2008

Planned and led 4-week backcountry excursions for groups of 9-12 teenagers; developed and implemented literary and leadership-based curriculum for program participants ages 14-19; fostered environmental stewardship and personal responsibility in program participants; collaborated to establish a pilot program for leadership training.

Owner/ Co\_founder | Dancing Coyote Nature School | 2003-2009

Developed curriculum in environmental education for children ages 7-12; facilitated group dynamics and team building exercises; implemented lessons in cultural history, field observation, orienteering, ecology, art and nature writing.

## SKILLS

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- Adobe Editing Suites
- Risk Assessment
- Wilderness Medicine
- Screenwriting
- Rock Climbing (lead guide and top-rope site management)
- Ski Instructor
- Logistics Coordinator
- International Expedition Planning