

I am a passionate Chinese language teacher. I view my job as an educator, ambassador, coach, actor and director. As an educator, I am responsible for training my students to develop proficiency in the Chinese Language and a deep understanding of the Chinese culture. I believe that achieving high proficiency in Chinese language and understanding its culture will facilitate my students' transition to today's flat world global economy. I expect my students to become linguistically competent, culturally literate, and globally responsible world citizens and lifelong learners. As an ambassador, the students and community that I have served view me as a representative of Chinese culture, and I teach my students a new perspective on life experience that is different in many ways from their own. I provoke curiosity and nurture respect and love through achieving understanding in another language. As a coach, I prepare and train my students learning abilities and the art of thinking, rather than merely functioning as a knowledge provider, and the students serving as knowledge receivers. As an actor and director, my job is to make the Chinese language learning process easy, fun, and to make learning make sense to students. I incorporate both teacher-centered and student-oriented activities.

My Chinese language teaching experience is very positive and rewarding. I have combined eleven years of teaching experiences in both China and United States. Before I came to the States, I taught four years in the college. After I got a MA degree in East Asian Studies and a MS degree in Computer Information systems, I worked in IT fields several years. I became a Math and Computer Science teacher in the high school. While teaching Math and Computer Science in High School, I began to teach Chinese Language in Fairleigh Dickinson University. I got a very good evaluation from FDU students in the first year of teaching Chinese. Inspired by my positive and successful teaching experience in Chinese Language, I quit my full time Math and Computer Science teaching job, I became a full time Chinese language teacher at Sparta School District in 2007.

I experienced very successful three years in Sparta School District. My mission is to establish ground works, sustain and expand Chinese language program. Our Chinese program has survived from deep program cut due to the shortage of district budget this year. We will have three levels Chinese in both middle school and high school in 2010 and 2011 year.