Professional Goals

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My goal for the next three years is to become a professional Mandarin Chinese Teacher to teach K-12 Chinese language and culture in public or private schools. Therefore, in order to reach my goal, I decided to practice the following:

- 1. Modify my teaching strategy to incorporate the best practices that I learned at STARTALK UVA
- a. creating an immersion learning environment, and teaching with the Target Language.
- b. adapting 5C Standards as my planning guidelines
- c. using authentic material, designing communicative activities, tasks and embedding real life situations in the curriculum
- d. referring OPI, Linguafolio, and GPS (Georgia Performance Standard) to develop my assessment tools
- 2. Network with other K-16 Chinese teachers national-wide, learn from each other
- 3. Continue to attend professional development workshop, conference, and etc. Get exposed to the most advanced teaching methodologies and skills, and apply to my own classroom teaching
- 4. Continue to be actively learning the knowledge of AP Chinese, adopt and adapt the six themes of AP Chinese into middle school even elementary level classes.
- 5. As a member of the Chinese department at Wesley International Academy in Atlanta, GA., I would like to help the department and school to build a more competitive Chinese program in the south.