

KATIE LAZICH

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*Educational Development,
Curriculum, School and
Community Outreach,
Integrated Science
Lessons, Coordination,
Administration*

Education

**Graduate Level Teacher
Licensing Program**, 2005,
Eastern Oregon University,
LaGrande, OR
High School: Biology
Middle Level: Multiple
Subjects (Specialty Science)

**MS, Environmental
Education**, 2000, Southern
Oregon University, Ashland,
Oregon

BA, Political Science, 1992,
University of Connecticut,
Storrs, Connecticut

Curriculum Projects

2005
Nixyáawii Community School
Developed a 400 page
biology curriculum which met
Oregon Science Benchmarks
and taught students about
local flora and fauna and
projects being conducted by
the Tribal Department of
Natural Resources

2004
Educational Talent Search
Developed Senior Binder to
guide students through the
college application and
financial aid process

2002
Curriculum Designer, High
Desert Museum - Developed
Traveling Trunk on Water

Profile

Katie Lazich has extensive experience designing and planning curriculum and outreach. Her teaching has been focused on environmental studies, natural history, and science. Katie has lead teacher workshops and taught at the college level. Her focus is on assisting people to understand what steps are available to them to lower their environmental impact. Katie has designed curriculum for all the schools she has worked for.

Administratively, Ms. Lazich has run several non-profit programs and managed their budgets including a large National Science Foundation grant and the Siskiyou Environmental Education Center at Southern Oregon University. Katie co-convened an Association for Experiential Education Conference and has also facilitated numerous other events. Katie served as treasurer for the Association for Experiential Education.

Ms. Lazich is relatively new to the renewable energy industry, and is inspired to assist Convivium's members and clients with administrative support and educational and outreach services.

Experience

Convivium Renewable Energy Bellingham, WA | 2008 – present
Administrative Assistant/Office Manager
Manage finances, organize business structure, and assist other members as needed. Outreach and Education.

Teton Valley Community School Victor, ID | 2007-2008
Lead Teacher
Taught math and science to 4th – 6th grade students in a multi-grade classroom. Integrated science lessons with a school wide garden project and language arts and social science curriculum. Designed three science units answering the question, "How do Systems Form?" Taught students the scientific method.

Creative Energies, Renewable Energy Company Driggs, ID | 2007
Assistant
Assisted with development of information for website, creating approachable descriptions of the renewable energy products the company offered. Planned a symposium for local builders and interested homeowners. Researched government contract possibilities.

Palouse Community School Walla Walla, WA | 2005-2006
Teacher
Taught and developed integrated science lessons, instructed math (Algebra II and Geometry), and instructed yoga to students in grades 6-12. Advised students. Assisted in the daily running and planning of the school.

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2000

Developed "Stacking Straw" a 75 page curriculum on the environmental benefits of straw bale construction and sustainable development for the Ashland Wilderness Charter High School. Participated in the building of a straw bale classroom.

Event Coordination

- Planned Builder Renewable Energy Symposium
- Open Houses
- Student and Parent Workshops on Financial Aid
- Co-Convener, Northwest Association for Experiential Education Conference
- National Water Day (Regional Event)
- National History Day (State Event)
- Science Fridays, SOU
- Senior Symposium, SOU

Nixyáawii Community School Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indians Mission, OR | 2005

Teacher/Curriculum Writer

Developed a 400 page biology curriculum which met Oregon Science Benchmarks and taught students about local flora and fauna and projects being conducted by the Tribal Department of Natural Resources. Taught this biology curriculum to approximately 20 students. Built relationships and partnerships with CTUIR Department of Natural Resources staff.

Educational Talent Search, Walla Walla Community College Walla Walla, WA | 2003-2005

Advisor

Motivated first generation and economically disadvantaged middle school and high school students to enroll in post-secondary education. Assisted students with college applications, scholarship searches and applications, and financial aid strategies.

Positive Impact Kino Bay, Sonora, Mexico | 2001

Teacher

Developed individualized educational plans for young men, ages 14-18, in a residential therapeutic boarding school. Instructed and tutored students individually and in small groups in all courses, specializing in math and science, and oversaw student community service projects. Updated parents and educational consultants regularly. Offered extra-curricular subject material in natural and cultural history and environmental education.

The High Desert Museum Bend, OR | 2000

School Programs Specialist

Managed school related museum activities including on-site field trips, outreach into the classroom, and traveling trunks. Created and taught curriculum related to museum displays of natural and cultural history. Trained and managed approximately 40 museum volunteers. Built partnerships with agencies and other educational organizations. Developed and instructed in-service seminars for teachers. Managed several budgets within the education department.

Bureau of Land Management Medford, OR | 1999

Naturalist/Hike Leader

Instructed students in grades 1-8 on the natural and cultural history of a local landmark. Coordinated with local teachers and modified curriculum according to individual needs.

Siskiyou Environmental Education Center Southern Oregon University | 1998

Coordinator

Developed and marketed environmental education curriculum, created internships and volunteer experiences for graduate students, managed grant, attended to prospective students, contacted and coordinated speakers for weekly Friday Science Seminars and organized a student symposium.

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Explorations Academy Kona, HI | 1996

Administrative Assistant/Mentor

Assisted in the daily operation of an integrative, alternative high school program, managed \$100,000 National Science Foundation grant, mentored students in hands-on interactive learning projects.

Holualoa Elementary School Holualoa, HI | 1995-1996

Assistant Teacher

Instructed social studies, science, and art. Prepared lessons for social studies and science, tutored individual students, and assisted teachers with daily tasks and class management.

CONTRACTOR

- Education Writer, "Ripples on the Grande Ronde" Newsletter (2004)
- Co-convener - Northwest Association for Experiential Education Conference (2003)
- Teacher Workshop Facilitator, Project Wet (1999-2001)
- Instructor, Southern Oregon University Youth Programs (1999-2000)
- Writer, Harvest Built Homes Newsletter (1999)
- Wilderness Guide, Ashland Wilderness Charter School (1998-2000)

COLLEGE COURSES

- Developed and Instructed Environmental Science Seminar for High School Agriculture Teachers - Walla Walla Community College (Spring 2006)
- Developed Environmental Science 101 - Walla Walla Community College (Spring 2006)
- Developed and Instructed Biology 124, Global Ecology and Conservation Biology - Blue Mountain Community College (Fall 2002)
- Developed and Taught teacher in-service on water - High Desert Museum (August 2000)