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EDUCATION:

Doctor of Philosophy, Curriculum and Instruction, University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, 1990.
Master of Science, Career and Human Resources Development, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York, 1984.
Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, Gallaudet University, Washington, DC, 1980.

FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT:

1992 - **PROFESSOR ('01-PRESENT)**
present **ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ('92-'01)**
Ohlone College
Center for Deaf Studies
Fremont, California

Coordinate the Deaf Education Paraprofessional Certificate program.
Teach courses in the Interpreter Preparation and Deaf Studies Programs.
Courses taught include: Deaf Education, Counseling the Deaf, Child Development and the Deaf Experience, Deaf Culture, Linguistics of ASL, ASL Discourse, Orientation to Interpreting, Deaf Mentorship, Human Potential, Reading, English, and Drama. Areas of research include: Deaf Culture, Deaf Humor, Cross-cultural experiences and ASL-English Interpreting. Tenure Awarded in 1996.

1991 - **ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR**
1993 San Jose State University
College of Education
Division of Special Education & Rehabilitative Services
San Jose, California

Instructed graduate and undergraduate courses related to education of deaf students. Advised students with their master's degree theses and projects. Supervised and evaluated student teachers. Courses taught include: Deaf Culture, Education of Deaf Students, American Sign Language, and Curriculum and Instruction.

1982 - **ASSISTANT PROFESSOR ('88-'91)**
1991 **INSTRUCTOR ('82-'88)**

Rochester Institute of Technology
National Technical Institute for the Deaf
Department of Human Development
Rochester, New York

Planned, developed, implemented, and evaluated educational experiences designed to enhance personal/social development of deaf students. Courses taught included: Deaf Heritage, Adjusting to Deafness, Freshman Seminar, Leadership Development, and Drug/Alcohol Usage. Areas of research included: social assimilation of deaf students, attitudes toward deafness, and accessibility of mainstream environments. Tenure Awarded in 1988.

1980 - **ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR**

1982
Gallaudet University
Office of Admissions and Records
Washington, D.C.

Visited 140 educational programs for deaf students in the U.S. and Canada to recruit students for Gallaudet University, assisted with university entrance examination, met and interviewed prospective students and their parents.

ADJUNCT EMPLOYMENT:

1995 - **STUDENT TEACHER SUPERVISOR**

2017
McDaniel College
Deaf Education Department
Westminster, Maryland

Supervised student teachers assigned to the California School for the Deaf, Fremont. Served as a liaison between the college and the school, and between the Student Teacher and the Master Teacher.

1988 - **ADJUNCT FACULTY**

1991
University of Rochester
Graduate School of Education and Human Development
Joint Educational Specialist Program
Rochester, New York

Instructed EDC 452 "Educational Goals and Processes for the Hearing Impaired". Primary focus of the course was on P.L. 94-142 and its impact on deaf students. Served on Joint Educational Specialist Program Curriculum Committee. Supervised and evaluated student teachers.

1987 - **ADJUNCT FACULTY**
 1991 Rochester Institute of Technology
 National Technical Institute for the Deaf
 Department of Support Service Education
 Rochester, New York

Instructed intensive courses in American Sign Language to students enrolled in the interpreting preparation program. Responsibilities include lecture and lab supervision. Provided constructive feedback and evaluations to students.

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Consultant: Deaf Culture in the Work Place. Sorenson Communications. Dec. 2017.
- Consultant: Preparing for the Next 5 Years. California School for the Deaf Association of Families, Teachers, and Counselors. Nov. 2015.
- Expert Witness: Sacramento County Public Defender's Office. May 2012.
- Expert Witness: Dept. of Fair Employment & Housing Legal Division. Oakland, CA. April 2012
- Consultant: Working together effectively to serve deaf and hard-of-hearing students, West Contra Costa Unified School District, Richmond, CA, March, 2011
- Member: Advisory Committee for Project TIEM - Training Interpreter Educators and Interpreter Mentors Through Distance Education, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, 2000-2009.
- Consultant: Sorenson VRS IEP Award of Excellence. Sorenson Communications, Inc. Salt Lake City. Sept. 2008 & Sept. 2009.
- Expert Witness: Sacramento County Public Defender's Office. March 2008.
- Consultant: Interpreter recruitment, training and retention. Sorenson Communications, Inc. Salt Lake City. Feb. 2007.
- Consultant: Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program. Oakland, CA. 2006.
- Chairperson: Pre-College National Mission Programs National Advisory Panel, Gallaudet University, Washington, D.C. 1994-2004.
- Member: National Technical Institute for the Deaf National Advisory Group Rochester, NY, 1998-2003.
- Expert Witness: San Joaquin County Superior Court. Stockton, CA. Oct. 2003.
- Member: Editorial Board of the Journal of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education, 1988-2002.
- Consultant: RFPs for Northern New Jersey Regional Center for the Deaf, March 1997.
- Chairperson: Community Advisory Council, California School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA 1995-1997.
- Co-consultant: Effective Deaf/Hearing Relationships – San Francisco Unified School District, San Francisco, CA. June 1994. (with M. Brown).
- Consultant: Effective Mainstreaming Practices for Deaf Students – Berkeley Unified School District, Berkeley, CA April 1993.
- Consultant: Effective Inclusion of ASL in the Classroom, Pajaro Valley Unified School District, Watsonville, CA, Nov. 1992
- Team member: Middle States Accreditation Team, Model Secondary School for the Deaf, Washington, D.C., Nov. 1990.

Consultant: Effective mainstreaming strategies. BOCES Hearing-Impaired Program, Pittsford, NY, Nov. 1988.

Co-consultant: IEP and COH Documentation, New York School for the Deaf, Rome, NY, Nov. 1986. (with K. Nash & J. Coryell).

Consultant: Leadership Opportunities and Activities for Students, St. Mary's School for the Deaf Central Administration, Buffalo, NY, June 1983.

HONORS/AWARDS:

- 2015 Faculty of the Month (December) – Ohlone College
- 2009 Sabbatical Leave – Ohlone College
- 2002 CEO Award – Deaf Counseling, Advocacy, and Referral Agency
- 2002 Steven M. Ryan Teacher of the Year – American Sign Language Teachers Assoc.
- 2002 Sabbatical Leave – Ohlone College
- 2001 Laurent Clerc Cultural Fund Award – Gallaudet Univ. Alumni Assoc.
- 1997 George Attletweed Award – Independently Merging Parents Association – Coming Together
- 1996 Who's Who Among America's Teachers
- 1993 Outstanding Young Alumnus Award – Gallaudet Univ. Alumni Assoc.
- 1990 Staff Humanitarian Award – NTID Student Congress
- 1989 Honorary Member Award – Kappa Phi Theta, NTID
- 1988 Outstanding Staff Award – NTID Student Congress
- 1988 Graduate School of Education & Human Development Scholarship Award – Univ. of Rochester
- 1984 Outstanding Staff Award – NTID Student Congress
- 1983 Outstanding Young Men of America
- 1980 Phi Alpha Pi Honor Society – Gallaudet Univ.
- 1980 Who's Who Among America's College Students
- 1979 Thomas Marr Scholarship Award – Kappa Gamma Fraternity, Gallaudet Univ.
- 1979 Elstad Outstanding Junior Award – Phi Kappa Zeta Sorority, Gallaudet Univ.
- 1976 Joseph Velez Award for Excellence in Theater, Model Secondary School for the Deaf

GRANT ACTIVITIES:

- '13-'15 DeafTEC SubAward Grant at Ohlone - National Technical Institute for the Deaf/National Science Foundation (\$200,000)
- 2011 Enhancement of Visual Media and Software for Deaf Studies Lab - Ohlone College Foundation (\$2,000)
- 2007 Enhancement of Interpreter Preparation Program's Digital Lab - Ohlone College One-Time Fund (\$12,650)
- 2007 Marketing and Recruitment package for Deaf Studies Division - Ohlone College One-Time Fund (\$10,000)
- '92-96 Recruitment and training minority teachers to serve multicultural Deaf/Hard of Hearing students at San Jose State University – U.S. Department of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (\$400,000) co-authored with Dr. Gustason.

PUBLICATIONS – Books:

- Holcomb, T. & Smith, D. (2018). *Deaf Eyes on Interpreting*. Washington, DC: Gallaudet University Press.
- Holcomb, T. (2016). *Introduction a la culture sourde*. (Translated into French by Mireille Golaszewski). Toulouse, France: Eres Edition.
- Mindess, A., Holcomb, T., Langholtz, D., & Moyers, P. (2014/2006/1999). *Reading Between the Signs: Intercultural Communication for Sign Language Interpreters*. Yarmouth, ME: Intercultural Press.
- Holcomb, T. (2013). *Introduction to American Deaf Culture*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Holcomb, R., Holcomb, S., & Holcomb, T. (2011/1994). *Deaf Culture, Our Way: Anecdotes from the Deaf Community*. San Diego: Dawn Sign Press. (Also available in Spanish)

PUBLICATIONS – Book Chapters:

- Holcomb, T. (2018). Deaf dream team: DEAM approaches to interpreting. In T. Holcomb & D. Smith (eds.). *Deaf Eyes on Interpreting*. Washington, DC: Gallaudet University Press.
- Holcomb, T. (2018). Going beyond trust: protecting my integrity as a deaf academic. In T. Holcomb & D. Smith (eds.). *Deaf Eyes on Interpreting*. Washington, DC: Gallaudet University Press.
- Holcomb, T., Love, A., Nakahara, C., & Ostrove, J. (2017). Preparing ASL/English interpreters of color: Are we doing enough? In K. Christensen (ed.). *Educating Deaf Students in a Multicultural World*. San Diego: Dawn Sign Press.
- Berke, M. & Holcomb, T. (2014). Bilingual reading strategies as a way to promote early literacy skills. In *Cartografias da Surdez: Comunidades, Linguas, Praticas e Pedagogias*. Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul.
- Holcomb, T. (2012). Paving the way for reform in deaf education. In P. Peters & D. Moores (eds.). *Deaf Epistemologies: Multiple Perspectives on the Acquisition of Knowledge*. Washington, DC: Gallaudet University Press.
- Holcomb, T. (2011). Compartilhamento de informacoes: um valor cultural universal dos surdos. (Information Sharing: A universal deaf culture value). In L. B. Karnopp, M. Lunardi-Lazzarin, & M. Klein (eds.) *Cultura Urda na Contemporaneidade: Negociacoes, Intercorrencias e Provocacoes. (Contemporary Deaf Culture)*. Barrio San Jose, Brazil: Editora da Ulbra.
- Coryell, J., Mobley, R., Holcomb, T., & Katz, C. (1998). Issues and practices in the recruitment and retention of deaf and hard of hearing teachers. In R. Anderson, C. Keller & J. Karp (eds.) *Enhancing Diversity: Educators with Disabilities*. Washington, DC: Gallaudet University Press.
- Holcomb, T. (1996). Social assimilation of deaf high school students: the role of school environment. In I. Parasnis (ed.) *Cultural and Language Diversity: Reflections on the Deaf Experience*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Holcomb, T., & Coryell, J. (1992). Student development. In S. Foster & G. Walter (eds.) *Deaf Students in Postsecondary Education*. London: Routledge Publishers.
- Foster, S., & Holcomb, T. (1990). Hearing impaired students: a student-teacher-class partnership. In N. Jones (ed.) *Special Educational Needs Review*. London: Falmer Press.

PUBLICATIONS – Professional Journals:

- Hall, W. C., Holcomb, T. K., & Elliott, M. (2016). Using popular education with the oppressor class. *Critical Education*, 7(13).
- Holcomb, T. (Winter 2010). Deaf epistemology: the deaf way of knowing. *American Annals of the Deaf*, 154(5), 471-478.
- Holcomb, T. (1999). Early intervention/late results: the need to depathologize the service model. *Seminars in Hearing*, 20(4), 269-278.
- Coryell, J., & Holcomb, T. (1997). The use of sign language and sign systems in facilitating the language acquisition and communication of deaf students. *Language, Speech, and Hearing Services in Schools*, 28, 384-394.
- Holcomb, T. (1997). Development of deaf bicultural identity. *American Annals of the Deaf*, 142(2), 89-93.
- Holcomb, T. (1993). The construction of deaf identity. Deafness: 1993-2013. *A Deaf American Monograph*, 43(1), 41-66.
- Holcomb, T., & Foster, S. (1992). Communication in mainstream classrooms: A matter of courtesy. *Perspectives in Education and Deafness*, 11(2), 10-11.
- Holcomb T., & Peyton, J. (1992). ESL literacy for a linguistic minority: The deaf experience. Washington, DC: *National Clearinghouse on Literacy Education, Education for Limited-English-Proficient Adults*. (ERIC Identifier: ED353861).
- Coryell, J., Holcomb, T., & Scherer, M. (1992). Attitudes toward deafness: A collegiate resident perspective. *American Annals of the Deaf*, 137(3), 299-302.
- Holcomb, T., Coryell, J., & Rosenfield, E. (1992). Designing a supportive mainstream environment. *Perspectives in Education and Deafness*, 10(4), 17-19.

PUBLICATIONS – Conference Proceedings:

- Holcomb, T. (2010). Audismo: Implicancias para la Education del Sordo. X Congreso Latinoamericano y V Congreso Nacional de education bilingue par alas personas sordas. Instituto de la Sordera Idesor. Santiago de Chile.
- Holcomb, T. (2010). Deafhood: Implicancias para la Educacion del Sordo. X Congreso Latinoamericano y V Congreso Nacional de education bilingue par alas personas sordas. Instituto de la Sordera Idesor. Santiago de Chile.
- Holcomb, T., & Coryell, J. (1995). Deaf/hearing colleagues: can we understand each other? In S.E. Ouelette, K. Dolan, & J. Vander Meer (eds.). *Access Silent Asia: The Asian Deaf Experience*. Dekalb, IL: Dept. of Communicative Disorders, Northern Illinois University.
- Holcomb, T. (1994). ASL in educational settings: exclusive or inclusive? In B. Schick & M.P. Moeller (eds.) *The Use of Sign Language in Educational Settings: Current Concepts and Controversies*. Omaha: Boys Town National Research Hospital.
- Holcomb, T. (1992, Spring). Enhancing the visual world of deaf preschoolers. *CALED Forum*.
- Coryell, J., & Holcomb, T. (1992, Spring). Deaf/Hearing colleagues: Can we understand each other? *CALED Forum*.
- Coryell, J., & Holcomb, T. (1989). Be the best you can be: A student development challenge. *Student Development for the Hearing-Impaired*. Washington, D.C.: Gallaudet University.

Holcomb, T., & Coryell, J. (1986). Lifestyle management for the deaf community in the 21st century. *Life and Work in the 21st Century: The Deaf Person of Tomorrow*. Silver Spring, MD: National Association of the Deaf.

PUBLICATIONS – Others:

- Holcomb, T. (2018/1984). Some Funny Things Happened Along the Way. In R. Rosen (ed.) *A Handful of Stories*. Frederick, MD: Savory Words Publishing.
- Holcomb, T. (2016). Deaf Culture. In G. Gertz & P. Boudreault (eds.). *The SAGE Deaf Studies Encyclopedia*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications.
- Holcomb, T. (2016). Deaf Dean Now. In G. Gertz & P. Boudreault (eds.). *The SAGE Deaf Studies Encyclopedia*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications.
- Holcomb, T. (2016). Group Membership and Exclusion. In G. Gertz & P. Boudreault (eds.). *The SAGE Deaf Studies Encyclopedia*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications.
- Holcomb, T. (2016). Total Communication. In G. Gertz & P. Boudreault (eds.). *The SAGE Deaf Studies Encyclopedia*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications.
- Holcomb, T. (2014/Oct.). Deaf Culture: Providing Access to Historically Created Solutions for Effective Living. Raising and educating deaf children: Foundations for policy, practice and outcome - E Bulletin.
- Holcomb, T. (1994). Enhancing the Visual World of Deaf Preschoolers. *Nebraska Journal*. 123(2).
- Holcomb, T., & Coryell, J. (1988). Imagine...Twenty Years in the Future. *Vision Quest*. A faculty/staff pedagogical time capsule. Rochester, NY: National Technical Institute for the Deaf.
- Holcomb, T. (1985). Deaf Awareness at RIT. *The NAD Broadcaster*. 7(2).

PUBLICATIONS – Multimedia:

- Holcomb, T. (Writer/Producer), & Mindess, A. (Writer/Producer). (2017). *A Sign of Respect 2: Strategies for Effective Deaf/hearing Interactions*. [On-line curriculum]
- Holcomb, T. (Writer/Producer), & Mindess, A. (Writer/Producer). (2009/2001). *See What I Mean: Cultural Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures*. [DVD]. (www.treehousevideo.com)
- Holcomb, T. (Writer/Producer), & Mindess, A. (Writer/Producer). (2008). *A Sign of Respect: Strategies for Effective Deaf/hearing Interactions*. [DVD/Workbook Set]. (www.treehousevideo.com).
- Mindess, A. & Holcomb, T. (Co-authors) Deaf Culture - Cultural Detective Training Series. (www.culturaldetective.com).

CREATIVE WORKS:

- Talent: Alcatraz Island Signed Video Tour. TreeHouse Video, Inc. 2015
- Performer: 5 for 5: Stories from a 5-generation Deaf Family. Eye Music Festival. University of California, Santa Cruz, CA. Nov. 2014.
- Talent: Ellis Island Signed Video Tour. TreeHouse Video, Inc. 2013.
- Performer: 5 for 5: 5 Stories from a 5-generation Deaf Family. 15th Annual ASL Festival. Northeastern University. Boston, MA. March 2012.

- Performer: Deaf Culture: Our Way. Southwest Center of ASL Studies. Tucson, AZ. April 2004.
- Talent: Read with me: Stories for your deaf preschoolers Videotape Set #6 (If I Ran The Zoo), Set #7 (The Very Busy Spider) & Set #8 (Elizabeth and Larry). [DVD]. (Available from www.boystownpress.org). 1988.
- Performer: Being deaf is a laughing matter: An one-man show. Deaf Media/Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. San Francisco, CA. 1997.
- Talent: Read with me: Stories for your deaf preschoolers Videotape Set #2 (Where the Wild Things Are) & Set #3 (The Wolf's Chicken Stew). [DVD]. (Available from www.boystownpress.org). 1996.
- Writer/Director: Roommate Wanted: Deaf and Mature. Ohlone College Sign Theatre. (with D. Bangs). 1996.
- Writer/Director: Hear No Scream: AIDS in the Deaf Community. Ohlone College Sign Theatre. 1995.
- Performer: Deaf Humor. Deaf Jamboree '94, San Leandro, CA. 1994.
- Writer/Director: Side by Side: An Original Romantic Comedy about Deaf/Hearing Relationships. Ohlone College Sign Theatre. 1994.
- Writer/Director: The Week the World Heard Gallaudet. Ohlone College Sign Theatre. 1993.
- Talent: Fingerspelling: Expressive & receptive fluency videotape. [DVD]. (Available from www.dawnsign.com). 1991.
- Writer/Director: *Deafnasty*. Rochester Civic Association of the Deaf. 1985.

PRESENTATIONS – International Audiences:

- Making Education Accessible to Deaf Children. Training provided to teachers of the deaf. Da Nang and Ho Chi Minh, Viet Nam. June 2018.
- Deaf Culture as an Advocacy Tool. Training provided to Deaf community leaders. Ho Chi Minh, Viet Nam. June 2018.
- Deaf Community/Families with Deaf Children: A winning combination. Presented at the Family Centered Early Intervention. Bad Ischl, Austria. June 2016.
- The Universality of the Deaf Experience and the Uniqueness of American Deaf Culture. Presented at the U.S. Embassy. Harare, Zimbabwe. July 2015.
- Deaf Lit. Presented at Sodertorns Folkhogskola. Stockholm, Sweden. December 2014.
- Deaf People, Deaf Empowerment, and Deaf Rights in the U.S. Presented at the Hong Kong Club of the Deaf. Hong Kong. March 2013.
- Information Sharing: A Universal Deaf Culture Value. Presented at the Festival Brasileiro de Cultura Surda. Porto Alegre, Brazil. Nov. 2011.
- Demystifying Deaf Culture. Presented at the Festival Brasileiro de Cultura Surda, Porto Alegre, Brazil. Nov. 2011
- Together as Interpreter Educators, We Are United! A video welcome address at the Sodertorns Folkhogskola Open House. Stockholm, Sweden. Nov. 2010.
- Audism: Implications for Deaf Education. Keynote address at the 10th Latin America Congress & 5th National Congress on Bilingual Education for Deaf Children. U.S. Embassy. Santiago, Chile. Sept. 2010.

- Deafhood: Implications for Deaf Education. Closing address at the 10th Latin America Congress & 5th National Congress on Bilingual Education for Deaf Children. U.S. Embassy. Santiago, Chile. Sept. 2010.
- Recognizing Politeness Differences Between Deaf and Hearing Cultures: A key to effective interpreting. Keynote address at the 2010 online conference, Supporting Deaf People 2010. Feb. 2010. (with A. Mindess).
- Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Hearing: Does labels matter? A videoconference presentation. Japanese ASL Studies Society. Tokyo, Japan. Jan. 2010.
- Current Trends in Deaf Education. Presented at the University of Costa Rica. San Jose, Costa Rica. Aug. 2009.
- Deaf Empowerment. Workshop conducted at San Jose Deaf Club. San Jose, Costa Rica. Aug. 2009.
- A Sign of Respect: Strategies for Effective Deaf/Hearing Interactions. A speaker's tour in Japan. Tokyo, Saitama, Kanagawa, Fukuoka, and Yamaguchi. July 2009.
- Deaf Identity: Implications for Deaf Children. Keynote address at the 2008 Conference on Bilingual Education for Deaf Children. Instituto de la Sordera/US Embassy. Santiago, Chile. Nov. 2008.
- Audism: Thoughts for Parents with Deaf Children. Presented at the Instituto de la Sordera. U.S. Embassy. Santiago, Chile. Nov. 2008.
- Deaf Culture 101 for Parents of Deaf Children. Presented at the Instituto de la Sordera. U.S. Embassy. Santiago, Chile. Nov. 2008.
- Impact of Technology on the Deaf Community. A videoconference presentation. Japanese ASL Studies Society. Tokyo, Japan. Feb. 2008.
- Total Communication: Past and Present Perspectives. A videoconference presentation. Japanese ASL Studies Society. Tokyo, Japan. Jan. 2008.
- See What I Mean: Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. A speaker's tour in Japan. Hiroshima, Kokura, Fukuoka, Hakata, Matsuyama, Imabari, and Yokohama. July 2007.
- Effective Deaf/Hearing Interactions. A videoconference presentation. Japanese ASL Studies Society. Tokyo & Kyoto, Japan. April 2007.
- Understanding the Deaf Experience. A videoconference presentation. Japanese ASL Studies Society. Tokyo & Kyoto, Japan. March 2007.
- The Deaf Way: A Humorous Look at the Deaf Experience. A videoconference presentation. Japanese ASL Studies Society. Tokyo & Kyoto, Japan. Feb. 2007.
- An Academic Perspective on the Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Presented at Stockholm University. Stockholm, Sweden. Feb. 2007.
- How to Teach Deaf Culture. Workshop conducted with faculty members of the Sodertorns Folkhogskola. Stockholm, Sweden. Feb. 2007.
- A Humorous Look at the Deaf Experience. Presented at Stockholm Deaf Club. Stockholm, Sweden. Feb. 2007.
- Cultural Literacy: Historically Created Solutions for Deaf Students Today. Presented at Canadian Association of Educators of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing – British Columbia. Vancouver, B.C. Oct. 2003.
- The Preservation of ASL. Keynote address at the 10th anniversary of the Japanese ASL Studies Society. Tokyo, Japan. June 1998.

PRESENTATIONS - Keynote Addresses/Invited Presentations:

- Reaching New Heights in Interpreter Education through Deaf Eyes. Conference of Interpreter Trainers. Salt Lake City, UT. Nov. 2018.
- Empower! Iowa Association of the Deaf Biennial Conference. Cedar Rapids, IA. July 2017.
- Sign Language Interpreting: Engaging the Disengaged & Empowering the Disempowered. Street Leverage Live. St. Paul, MN. April 2017.
- Creative Ways to Teach Deaf Culture. Ohio American Sign Language Teachers Association, Cleveland, OH. Oct. 2016.
- Deaf Culture: An obsolete concept or a timeless solution? Annual Statewide Professional and Family Conferences. Oconomowoc, WI. Oct. 2015.
- Top 10 Reasons Why We Should Love D.C. Annual Statewide Professional and Family Conferences. Oconomowoc, WI. Oct. 2015.
- Deaf Education, Deaf Culture, and the Common Core: Bringing it together for deaf children. Keynote address at the Educational Support Service Personnel 28th Annual Conference. Buffalo, NY. Nov. 2014. (with M. Berke).
- Syncretism: Going beyond diversity and universal design. Keynote address at the Association on Higher Education and Disability. Sacramento, CA. July 2014. (with E. Shadburne).
- Shaping the Future of the Interpreting Community: Accountability and transparency. Northern California Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf conference. Fremont, CA. Nov. 2013.
- Deaf-Hearing Collaboration. Keynote address at the Northern California Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf conference. Berkeley, CA. Nov. 2011.
- Deaf Community and Parents of Deaf Children: A win-win situation. Roy K. Holcomb Distinguished Lecture at the 2011 National Conference of American Society for Deaf children. Frederick, MD. June 2011.
- Creative Ways to Teach Deaf Culture. NJ American Sign Language Teachers Association, Rahway, NJ. March 2011.
- Be the Change. Keynote address at the 2008 Utah Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf conference. Taylorsville, Utah. June 2008.
- How the Heck do I Teach Deaf Culture. Minnesota American Sign Language Teachers Association. St. Paul, MN. April 2008.
- Inside, Outside and Around the Edges: Working Together to End Oppression. Keynote address at the 2007 Washington State Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Conference. Wenatchee, WA. Oct. 2007. (with M. Wilson).
- A Level Playing Field: Are We There Yet? Keynote Address at the 2007 National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Conference. San Francisco, CA. Aug. 2007.
- Appreciating our Past, Creating our Future. Keynote Address at the 2006 Deaf Awareness Month Kickoff. Rochester, NY. Sept. 2006.
- Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Greater New York American Sign Language Teachers Association. New York City. March 2004.
- The Role and Value of Deaf Culture. Keynote address at the Florida Association of the Deaf Conference. Tampa, FL. June 2003.
- Speeding Toward a New Definition of Deaf Culture. Keynote Address at the American Sign Language Teachers Association conference. Indianapolis, IN. April 2003.

- The Deaf Ohana: Solutions for Success. Keynote Address at the California Educators of the Deaf/IMPACT conference. San Diego, CA. March 2003. (with J. Coryell).
- Gifts from the Deaf Community. 2nd Early Hearing Detection and Intervention conference. Atlanta, GA. Feb. 2003.
- Deaf Culture, For For? Keynote Address at the Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness. Lexington, KY. Oct. 2002.
- How the Heck do I Explain Deaf Culture? Blue Grass Chapter of American Sign Language Teachers Association, Louisville, KY, April 2002.
- How the Heck Do I Explain Deaf Culture? Greater New York Association of American Sign Language Teachers Association – March 2001.
- Deaf Studies in the New Millennium. Endnote Address at the Deaf Studies VI Conference. Oakland CA. April 1999.
- Early Intervention, Late Results. Keynote address at the National Symposium on Childhood Deafness. Denver, CO. July 1998.
- Deaf Culture, Our Way. Invited performance at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. San Francisco, CA. April 1998.
- Deaf Culture in a BiBi program. Keynote address at the BiBi conference. Indiana School for the Deaf, Indianapolis, IN. Nov. 1997.
- Literacy: Share the Word. Panel Discussion at the Gallaudet Via Satellite Series Teleconference. Washington, D.C. Nov. 1996.
- Deaf Culture, Our Way and Yours, Too. Keynote address at the 1996 Conference of the American Society for Deaf Children. Omaha NE. July 1996.
- Deaf Culture, Our Way: A Humorous Look at Deaf Experience. Keynote address at the 1996 Statewide Conference on Childhood Deafness. Tacoma, WA. May 1996.
- Deaf Culture in the Work Environment. AT&T Hearing Impaired Conference. Denver, CO. Sept. 1995.
- Assuring Inclusiveness in Data Collection: Special Issues in Conducting Social Research Among Deaf and Hard of Hearing People. Society for Disability Studies. Oakland, CA. June 1995. (with S. Foster).
- Deaf/Hearing Colleagues: Can We Understand Each Other? Keynote address at the 1995 Deaf Empowerment Conference. Nashville, TN. April 1995. (with J. Coryell).
- Deaf and Hearing Colleagues: Making Your Connection Dynamic. Keynote address at the 34th Annual California Educators of the Deaf/IMPACT conference. Sacramento, CA. April 1994. (with J. Coryell).
- The Development and Maintenance of Deaf Identity. Keynote address at the Eighth Annual Conference on Issues in Language and Deafness. Omaha, NE. Oct. 1993.
- Cooperative programmatic Efforts Between Special Schools and Mainstream Programs for Deaf Students. National Conference on Student Development and Deaf Students. Raleigh, NC. July 1993.
- Teambuilding: Enhancing the Relationships Between Deaf and Hearing Professionals. Keynote address at the Minnesota Deafness and Rehabilitation Conference, Minneapolis, MN. Oct. 1992. (with W. McCrone).
- American Sign Language in Educational Settings: Exclusive or Inclusive? Keynote address at the Seventh Annual Conference on Language and Deafness, Omaha, NE. Oct. 1992.

- Deaf Perspective in Research on Deafness. Invited discussion at the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, CA. April 1992.
- Deaf Culture/Corporate Culture: A Winning Combination. Keynote address at the AT & T Network 1991 Convention, Chicago, IL. Sept. 1991.
- Deaf Culture and Its Effects on Literacy Skills. Workshop conducted at the Global Literacy Training Institute, Washington, D.C. June 1991.
- Social Development and Deafness: Implications for Educators. Keynote address at the Annual Symposium for Educators of the Hearing Impaired, Denver, CO. March 1991.
- Reading in the Family. Panel discussion at the Conference on Language, Literacy, and Culture of Deaf Children, San Diego, CA. Oct. 1991.
- Social Development of Deaf Adolescents: Influences and Intervention. National Conference on the Habilitation and Rehabilitation of Hearing Impaired Adolescents, Omaha, NE. Oct. 1990.
- Educational Interpreting. Panel discussion at the International Congress on Education of the Deaf, Rochester, NY. Aug. 1990.
- Student Development: A Snapshot of Our Future! Keynote address at the Second National Conference on Student Development and the Hearing Impaired, Washington, D.C. May 1990.

PRESENTATIONS – National/State Conferences:

- Required Deaf Event Attendance: A Burden on the Deaf Community? American Sign Language Teachers Association Conference. Salt Lake City, UT. June 2017.
- Deaf Culture Redefined: Implications for Future Teachers of the Deaf. Association of College Educators – Deaf and Hard of Hearing Annual Conference. Santa Fe, NM. Feb. 2013.
- Introducing ASL Students to the Deaf Community. American Sign Language Teachers Association 5th National Professional Development Conference. Phoenix, AZ. Oct. 2009.
- A Sign of Respect: Strategies for Effective Deaf/Hearing Interactions. American Sign Language Teachers Association 3rd National Professional Development Conference. Las Vegas, NV. Nov. 2005.
- Straight Talk: Deaf Culture or Not? American Sign Language Teachers Association 2nd National Professional Development Conference. Washington, D.C. July 2002. (with A. Mindess).
- See What I Mean: Differences Between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. for Disabilities Studies. Oakland, CA. June 2002. (with A. Mindess).
- See What I Mean: Differences Between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. California Association of Educators for the Deaf conference. Sacramento, CA. March 2002. (with A. Mindess).
- How the Heck Do I Explain Deaf Culture? National Association of the Deaf Convention. Norfolk, VA. July 2000.
- Creating a Deaf Friendly Home. California Association of Educators for the Deaf conference. San Jose, CA. March 1998. (with S. Holcomb).
- 25 Years of Breaking Down the Walls. 2nd National Asian Deaf Conference, Los Angeles, CA. March 1997. (with W. Wong).
- Deaf Identity: Implications for Deaf Children. Statewide Conference on Childhood Deafness. Tacoma, WA. May 1996.

- Deaf Humor. Access Silent Asia Conference. San Francisco, CA. March 1994.
- Deaf Culture, Our Way. Nevada Association of the Deaf Convention, Las Vegas, NV. Oct. 1993.
- Comparative Analysis of Teaching Deaf Culture to Deaf and Hearing Students. California Association of Teachers of ASL. San Jose, CA. Oct. 1993. (with B. Malzkhun).
- Deaf Humor. Independently Merging Parent Associations of California – Together for the Hearing Impaired Conference, Fresno, CA. Nov. 1992.
- Enhancing the Visual World of Deaf Preschoolers. Independently Merging Parent Associations of California - Together for the Hearing Impaired Conference, Fresno, CA. Nov. 1992.
- Enhancing the Visual World of Deaf Preschoolers. California Association of Teachers of the Hearing Impaired, Sacramento, CA. March 1992.
- Deaf/Hearing Colleagues: Can We Understand Each Other? California Association of Teachers of the Hearing Impaired, Sacramento, CA. March 1992. (with J. Coryell).
- Deaf Students in the Mainstream: A Study in Social Assimilation. Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf, New Orleans, LA. June 1991.
- Infusing Deaf Culture into Teacher Preparation Programs: Some innovative ideas. Association of College Educators of the Hearing Impaired, Jekyll Island, GA. Feb. 1991. (with J. Coryell).
- Creative Approaches to Promoting Deaf Awareness. Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf, San Diego, CA. June 1990.
- Deaf Students in the Mainstream: Predicament or Panacea? Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf, San Diego, CA. June 1990. (with J. Coryell).
- Enhancing the Visual World of Deaf Preschoolers. New York State Association of Educators of the Deaf Biennial Convention, Rochester, NY. Oct. 1998.
- Effective Letter Writing Campaign. Empire State Association of the Deaf Biennial Convention, Rochester, NY. Aug. 1987.
- Be The Best You Can Be: A Student Development Challenge. First National Conference on Student Development for Hearing Impaired, Rochester, NY. May 1987. (with J. Coryell).
- Integrating Wellness and Leadership Development. Counseling Centers of Western New York Conference, State University of New York, Fredonia, NY. June 1986. (with E. Rosenfield and J. Coryell).
- Lifestyle Management for the Deaf Community in the 21st Century. National Association of the Deaf Forum, Las Vegas, NV. Jan. 1986. (with J. Coryell).
- Making Deaf Awareness Programs Exciting and Successful: Tips and Guides. Empire State Association of the Deaf Biennial Convention, Buffalo, NY. Aug. 1985. (with D. Curry).
- Mainstreaming: A Social Handicap? National Association of the Deaf Biennial Convention, Baltimore, MD. June 1984. (with E. Rosenfield).

PRESENTATIONS – Commencement Addresses:

- California School for the Deaf Graduation Ceremony, Fremont, CA, June 2003.
- Kansas School for the Deaf Graduation Ceremony, Olathe, KS, June 1997.
- Rochester School for the Deaf Graduation Ceremony, Rochester, NY, June 1991.

New York State School for the Deaf Graduation Ceremony, Rome, NY, June 1991.
Model Secondary School for the Deaf Graduation Ceremony, Washington, D.C. 1991.
Tennessee School for the Deaf Graduation Ceremony, Knoxville, TN., May 1991.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS:

Educators:

Deaf Children/Deaf Schools/Deaf Culture: A Winning Combination. Rhode Island School for the Deaf Staff Training. Providence, RI. Sept. 2012.
See What I Mean: Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. California School for the Deaf, Riverside. Riverside, CA. Nov. 2010.
How is Technology Reshaping Deaf Culture? NTID Deaf Culture Series. National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester, NY. March 2009.
Deaf & Hearing People Working Together at CSD: A Dynamic Combination. California School for the Deaf. Fremont, CA. Sept. 2002.
See What I Mean: Differences Between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester, NY. April 2002.
The Dynamics of Working in a Bicultural Setting. Metro Deaf School, St. Paul, MN. May 2001. (with J. Coryell).
Deaf Identity. Dallas Public School System, Dallas, TX. Oct. 2000.
Deaf Culture and its Effects on Literacy Skills. Phoenix Day School for the Deaf, Phoenix, AZ. Oct. 1997.
Deaf Identity: Implications for Deaf Children. Orange County Dept. of Special Education, Santa Ana, CA. Sept. 1997.
Deaf Culture for Mainstreamed Deaf Students. Medford Deaf Education Program, Medford, OR. April 1997.
Effective Deaf/Hearing Relationships. Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf, Faribault, MN. May 1995. (with J. Coryell).
ASL in the Educational Settings: Exclusive or Inclusive? National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester, NY, March 1995.
The Structure and Syntax of ASL. California School for the Deaf, Riverside, CA, March & April 1993.
Deaf/Hearing Colleagues: Understanding Each Other. Wisconsin School for the Deaf, Delavan, WI, Jan. 1993 (with J. Coryell)
Deaf/Hearing Colleagues: Understanding Each Other. California School for the Deaf, Riverside, CA, Nov. 1992 (with J. Coryell)
Deaf/Hearing Colleagues: Understanding Each Other. California School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, Oct. 1992. (with J. Coryell)
A Humorous Look at Cultural Differences between Deaf and Hearing People. California School for the Deaf Staff Development, Fremont, CA, Oct. 1990.
Deaf/Hearing Colleagues: Can We Understand Each Other? Superintendent's Day at Rochester School for the Deaf, Rochester, NY, Oct. 1989. (with M. Hopper)
Views on Mainstreaming for Hearing-Impaired Students. Math/Science Teachers Outreach Project at NTID, Rochester, NY, June 1989.
Mainstreaming: A Social Handicap? Albany BOCES Hearing-Impaired Department, Albany, NY, March 1989.

Role of Deaf Culture in Promoting Independence Among Hearing-Impaired Children.

Rochester Public School #1 Staff Development, Rochester, NY, April 1987.

ASL and Its Role In English Development. Rochester School for the Deaf Staff

Development, Rochester, NY, March 1987.

Developing Independence Among Hearing-Impaired Adolescents. BOCES Plank Road

School, Penfield, NY, March 1987.

Promoting Self-Awareness and Responsibilities. BOCES #1 Staff Development,

Fairport, NY, Jan.1987.

Parents:

Demystifying Deaf Culture. Early Childhood Center. California School for the Deaf,

Fremont, CA, Oct. 2018.

What Deaf Culture Means to Families. Annual Statewide Professional and Family

Conferences. Oconomowoc, WI, Oct. 2015.

Effective Family Communication. Family Fun Weekend. California School for the

Deaf, Fremont, CA, March 2013.

What Deaf Culture Means to Families. Deaf Learning Weekend, Montana School for

the Deaf, Great Falls, MT, June 2012.

Deaf and Hearing Families: Raising Our Deaf Children Together. California School for

the Deaf, Fremont, CA, Feb. 2012.

Top 10 Reasons for Loving D.C. Family Weekend 2008, Ellensburg, WA. May 2008.

See What I Mean: Differences Between Deaf & Hearing Cultures. California School

for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, April 2004. (with A. Mindess)

Deaf Culture. Metro Deaf School Parent Association, St. Paul, MN, May 2001.

Deaf Culture, Our Way. Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf Parent Weekend,

Pittsburgh, PA, May 1999.

Being Deaf is a Laughing Matter. California School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA,

May 1998.

Deaf Parents/Hearing Parents: Bringing the Best Out of Ourselves. California School

for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, Feb. 1998.

Deaf Culture: Implications for Your Deaf Child. Phoenix Day School for the Deaf,

Phoenix, AZ, Oct. 1997

What is the Connection between Deaf Culture and Literacy? California School for the

Deaf, Fremont, CA, Oct. 1997

Reading Outloud to Your Deaf Child. Medford Parent Group, Medford, OR, March 1997.

Top 10 Reasons for Parents to Love D.C. (Deaf Children/Deaf Culture). California

School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, Feb. 1997.

Reading and Your Deaf Child. Santa Clara County Deaf Education Program, San Jose,

CA, Feb. 1997.

Empowerment of Deaf Parents. California School for the Deaf, Riverside, CA, Oct. 1993.

How Can Parents Take Care of Themselves? Gallaudet Regional Center/California

School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, March 1993.

Making Your Child's Environment Visually Accessible. California School for the Deaf

Infant Program, Fremont, CA, Feb. 1993.

Parenting Styles. Gallaudet Regional Center/California School for the Deaf, Fremont,

CA, Jan. 1993

Teambuilding. American Society for Deaf Children Board, Faribault, MN, Oct. 1992.
Reading and Writing for Life. Panel discussion, California School for the Deaf,
Fremont, CA, March 1992.

Enhancing the Visual World of Deaf Preschoolers. Santa Clara County Hearing
Impaired Infant Program, San Jose, CA, Feb. 1992.

Understanding and Appreciating the Differences in Deaf Culture. Albany BOCES,
Albany, NY, Nov. 1989.

Effective Communication Practices with Deaf Toddlers. RSD Early Childhood Center
Parents, Rochester, NY, Dec. 1988.

Developing Self Awareness and Self Responsibility in Your Adolescent. BOCES #1
Parents meeting, Fairport, NY, Nov. 1986.

Service Providers:

Sign Language Interpreting: Engaging the Disengaged & Empowering the Disempowered.
Iowa Registry Interpreters for the Deaf, Cedar Rapids, IA. July 2017.

ASL Storytelling. EIPA Videoconference Workshop. Boys Town National Research
Hospital. Omaha, NE. Feb. 2016.

Deaf Culture: What is it? Regional Center of East Bay. San Leandro, CA. Oct. 2015.

Deaf Culture: An Obsolete Concept or a Timeless Solution for Deaf People? 15th
Annual George W. Veditz ASL Festival. Boston, MA. March 2012.

Deaf Culture at the Work Place. California School for the Deaf Staff Training, Fremont,
CA. June 2011.

How the Heck Do I Explain Deaf Culture? 2007 Washington State Registry of
Interpreters for the Deaf conference. Wenatchee, WA. Oct. 2007

Deaf Culture. Fresno Registry of Interpreters of the Deaf. Fresno, CA. Sept. 2007.

See What I Mean: Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Washington
Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf. Seattle, WA. Oct. 2006.

Differences Between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. 8th Annual George W. Veditz ASL
Festival – Northeastern University. Boston, MA. April 2005.

Environmental Influences on Child Development. Student Life Dept. of California
School for the Deaf. Fremont, CA. March 2005.

Demystifying Deaf Culture. University of Tennessee Summer Institute. Knoxville, TN.
June 2004.

How the Heck Do I Explain Deaf Culture? Southwest Center of ASL Studies. Tucson,
AZ. April 2004.

Deaf/Hearing Cultures: A Winning Combination. Communication Services for the
Deaf, Sioux Falls, SD, Dec. 1999.

Deaf Culture, Our Way. Lawrence Livermore National Lab, Livermore, CA, May 1995.

Deaf/Hearing Colleagues: Understanding Each Other. Gallaudet Univ. Regional
Center/University of California Center on Deafness, Fremont, CA, Nov. 1992. (with J.
Coryell)

Educational Options for Children with Handicapping Conditions. Independent Living
Center Annual Conference, Utica, NY, Oct., 1989.

Mainstreaming: A Social Handicap? Interpreting: Just a Few Issues, Rome, NY,
Sept. 1988.

- Deaf Culture. Genesee Valley Regional Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Rochester, NY, March 1987.
- Understanding and Appreciating the Differences in Deaf Culture. Hillside Children Center in Service Training, Rochester, NY, Nov. 1986. (with B. Holcomb)
- Experience Deafness. Rochester Center on Independent Living Staff, Rochester, NY, Dec. 1984.
- Meeting the Needs of Deaf People. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation State-wide Conference on Deaf Services, Rochester, NY, March 1984.
- Providing Quality Services for Deaf Clients. Norris Clinic, Rochester, NY, Oct. 1982.

Students:

- Deaf Culture and Me. Annual Statewide Professional and Family Conferences. Oconomowoc, WI, Oct. 2015.
- Deaf: Proud and Loud – Disabling the Disability Model. South Puget Sound Community College, Olympia, WA, May 2013.
- Deaf Culture: An Obsolete Concept or A Timeless Solution. University of Washington, Seattle, WA, May 2013.
- Introduction to American Deaf Culture: A presentation by the author. Ohlone College. Fremont, CA, April 2013.
- Deaf Heritage = Deaf Pride. Rhode Island School for the Deaf, Providence, RI, Sept. 2012.
- Comparing Deaf and Hearing Cultures. California School for the Deaf, Riverside. Riverside, CA, Nov. 2010.
- Human Right to Language. San Francisco State University Rights Conference. San Francisco, CA, Sept. 2010.
- Demystifying Deaf Culture. ASL/Deaf Culture Lecture Series. University of Virginia ASL Program. Charlottesville, VA, March 2004.
- See What I Mean: Differences Between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Gallaudet University Regional Center at KCC, Honolulu, HI, May 2002.
- Setting a Place for Yourself at the Table. Colorado University Doctoral Students – Boulder, CO, Feb. 2002.
- See What I Mean: Differences Between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Gallaudet University, Washington, D.C., Feb. 2002.
- Deaf Identity. Lamar University Deaf Education Program – Beaumont, TX, May 1999.
- Surviving the Mainstream Environment. Medford Mainstreamed Deaf Students, Medford, OR, March 1997.
- The Development and Maintenance of Deaf Identity. Mt. San Antonio College, Walnut, CA, Feb. 1996.
- Perspectives on Chchlear Implants in Children. San Jose State University, San Jose, CA, Sept 1994.
- Deaf Pride and Me. Jr. National Association of the Deaf Youth Leadership Camp, Stayton, OR, Aug. 1994.
- Deaf Pride and Me. Jr. National Association of the Deaf National Convention, Rochester, NY, May 1994.
- Deaf Humor. California State University at Fresno Deaf Education Students, Fresno, CA, March 1993.

- Deaf and Hearing Living and Working Together. Vista College, Berkeley, CA, May 1993 (with J. Coryell).
- A Night to Remember. Senior Banquet, California School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, May 1993.
- Deaf Pride and Me. California School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, March 1993.
- Deaf Humor. California State University at Fresno Deaf Education Program, Fresno, CA, March 1993.
- What is Leadership? PeeWee NAD, Rochester School for the Deaf, Rochester, NY, April 1991.
- Leadership, Deaf Pride, and Me. Freshman Class, Rochester School for the Deaf, Rochester, NY, Jan. 1991.
- Setting Clear Goals. PeeWee NAD, Rochester School for the Deaf, Rochester, NY, Jan. 1990.
- Optimizing the Mainstreaming Experience. Albany mainstreamed high school students, Albany, NY, Nov. 1989.
- Power Through Cooperation. Jr. National Association of the Deaf Eastern Regional Conference, Rochester, NY, June 1989.
- Construction of Deaf Identity. Sue Foster's Graduate Class at the University of Rochester, Special Education in the Social Context, Rochester, NY, March 1989.
- Take a Journey to the Center of Deaf, Deaf World. Pittsford Middle School students, Pittsford, NY, Feb. 1989. (with M. Hopper)
- Seminar on Individualized Education Program. Joint Educational Specialist Program students, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY, Dec. 1988. (with J. Coryell)
- Seminar on Committee on Special Education. Joint Educational Specialist Program students, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY, Nov. 1988. (with J. Coryell).
- Optimizing the Mainstreaming Experience. Pittsford Middle School Hearing-impaired students, Pittsford, NY, Dec. 1987.
- Perspectives on Education of the Deaf. Dianne Brook's Graduate Class at the University of Rochester, Perspectives on Deafness, Rochester, NY, Oct. 1984, 1985, 1986.
- Why Be A Leader? Jr. NAD Chapter of the Rochester School for the Deaf, Rochester, NY, Dec. 1984.
- Why Be Involved? National Association of the Deaf Youth Leadership Camp, Penglily, MN, July 1983.

Deaf Community Members:

- Deaf Eyes on Interpreters: A presentation by the author. San Francisco Public Library, San Francisco, CA, Oct. 2018.
- Introduction to American Deaf Culture: A presentation by the author. Alameda County Public Library, Fremont, CA, Nov. 2015
- Introduction to American Deaf Culture: A presentation by the author. Deaf Community Center, San Leandro, CA, May 2013.
- Deaf Culture: An Obsolete Concept or a Timeless Solution? San Francisco Public Library. San Francisco, CA, April 2013.
- Deaf Culture, Our Way. Rhode Island Deaf Awareness Month Kick-Off. Rhode Island Commission on Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Providence, RI, Sept. 2012.

- Deaf Culture, Our Way. 2nd Annual Deaf Culture Series. Southwest Washington Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Vancouver, WA, Oct. 2011.
- Eugenics and Its Implications for the Deaf Community: A panel discussion. Deaf Counseling, Advocacy, and Referral Agency. Fremont, CA, Feb. 2011.
- Straight Talk: Deaf Culture or Not? An Analysis of Deaf Culture Norms. California School for the Deaf Deafhood Lecture Series. Riverside, CA, Nov. 2010.
- 50 Years of Deaf Culture through Sandra and Tom's Eyes. Deaf Community Center. San Leandro, CA, Dec. 2009.
- See What I Mean: Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Deaf Senior Citizens. Fremont Oak Gardens. Fremont, CA, May 2009.
- Technology and Deaf Culture. Deaf Community Center. San Leandro, CA, March 2009.
- A Sign of Respect: Strategies for Effective Deaf/Hearing Interactions. The Deaf Services Center of the San Francisco Public Library. San Francisco, CA, March 2008.
- Who Are We?: 8 Identities in the Deaf Community. DCARA Speakers Series. San Leandro, CA, May 2008.
- Preservation of Deaf Culture in the 21st Century. 35th Annual Gallaudet & Clerc Banquet. Danville, KY, Dec. 2007.
- A Sign of Respect: Strategies for Effective Deaf/Hearing Interactions. San Francisco Bay Area Deaf Awareness Month 2006. Fremont, CA, Sept. 2006.
- An Evening with Tom and Nathie. United States Deaf Sports Federation. Fremont, CA, February 2004.
- See What I Mean: Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Sacramento, CA, March 2002.
- Differences between Deaf and Hearing Cultures. Deaf Community Center, San Leandro, CA, Sept. 2001. (with A. Mindess).
- Deaf Culture, Our Way. Indianapolis Deaf Club, Indianapolis, IN, May 2001.
- Deaf Pah, What? Deaf Community Center, San Leandro, CA, May 1996. (with N. Marbury).
- Deaf President Now Literature. California School for the Deaf, Fremont, CA, March 1996.
- Deaf Culture, Our Way. Deaf Awareness Week Celebration, San Leandro, CA, Sept. 1995 (with S. Holcomb).
- Deaf Folklore. American Society for Deaf Children/Gallaudet Regional Center/Northern California Center on Deafness, Sacramento, CA, Dec. 1994.
- Model Alumni: Who Are We? Model Secondary School for the Deaf 25th Anniversary Banquet, Washington, D.C., Oct. 1994.
- Everything You Wanted to Know about ASL but Were Afraid to Ask. California School for the Deaf, Riverside, CA, March 1994.
- Structure of ASL. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Fremont, CA, Nov. 1992
- Bilingual/Bicultural in Deaf Education: Current Trends. Deaf Professionals Association, Minneapolis, MN, Oct. 1992.
- Deaf Superintendents: Past and Present. RSD Alumni Banquet, Rochester, NY, June, 1990.
- The Deaf Person of Tomorrow: A Look at the Future. Annual Forum and Reception for Leaders in the New York Deaf Community, New York City, NY, Jan. 1990.

Hazards and Blessings of Being Deaf. Buffalo Annual Deaf Awareness Banquet,
Buffalo, NY, Sept. 1987.

Deaf Culture/Deaf History: A series of 4 lectures. Rochester, NY, 1985-1986. (with F.
Kimmes)

Is There A Deaf Culture? Buffalo Civic Association of the Deaf, Buffalo, NY, May 1986.

Life in Russia and Deaf People. Rochester Deaf Awareness Week, Rochester, NY,
Sept. 1984.

Leadership Training. Rochester Area Deaf Leaders, Rochester, NY, Jan. 1983.