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Teacher for Spanish and French
Suggestopedia/Superlearning Trainer (DGSL certified)
Brainbox® Learning Coach



Personal Data

Date of birth 4 September 1979
Place of birth Wels, Upper Austria
Nationality Austria

Education

2015 to present University programme „DaF unterrichten – Grundlagen für die Praxis“
Friedrich Schiller University Jena
2005 – 2008 PhD Programme in Spanish Linguistics at Innsbruck University,
scholarship by Innsbruck University
2007 Advanced teaching and learning coach programme
„Brainbox®-Lerntrainer“ (based on the Superlearning method)
2006 – 2007 Certified train the trainer programme „Suggestopedia/Superlearning (DGSL)“
2004 – 2005 Period of practical school training at grammar school
2001 – 2002 Student exchange programme “Erasmus”
Valencia University, Spain
1998 – 2004 Master of Arts: Modern Languages (Spanish, French) and teacher training
studies at Innsbruck University
1998 Final exams at *Stiftsgymnasium Wilhering*, Upper Austria

Teaching experience

2009 to present Teacher for Spanish and French at *Europagymnasium Baumgartenberg*
(grammar school), Upper Austria
school exchange programme with Seville (Spain) and Niort (France)
training course for “DELE”-Language certificate B1 (Spanish)
2012 Brainbox®-Summer Learning Programm “Learning how to learn”
2008 – 2009 Language teacher at *Schülerhilfe Linz-Urfahr*, tutoring and coaching
2004 – 2006 Language trainer at the *Wirtschaftsförderungsinstitut*, in-house trainings

Miscellaneous

2015 Entrepreneurs’s Skill Certificate by the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber
2014 to present Team member for benchmarking and standard setting process for
standardized Austrian school leaving exams

2006 – 2007	Freelancer at the event planning and event marketing company “The crew for you”, Linz
2006	Volunteer assistant at the XXIII General Assembly of CEMR (Innsbruck)
2001 – 2005	“Young-Austria” Summer Camps, Counsellor and camp leader
1998	Local town hall, office work

Publications

Giera, I. / Giorgianni, E. / Lavric, E. / Pisek, G. / Skinner, A. / Stadler, W.: (2008): “The globalized football team: A research project on multilingual communication”, in: Lavric, E. / Pisek, G. / Skinner, A. / Stadler, W. (Hrsg.): *The Linguistics of Football* (Language in Performance, 38), Tübingen: Gunter Narr, S. 375-390.

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Personal interests

Languages and linguistics, media studies
 Detective novels and murder mystery
 Cycling, hiking, cross-country skiing
 Developing my teaching skills