



## David Hald

Location: Barcelona

Accent: America

### Mission Statement

I aspire to combine my theater training, teaching and assessment experience, and my graduate studies to teach and inspire EFL learners. I am committed to a student-centered and methodologically varied teaching approach to ensure that I enable all students' unique learning styles while stoking student motivation. My goal is to help build students' phonetic awareness in speaking, and, at the same time, bolster their confidence and fluency in English.

### Education

Master's in International Education  
Universidad de Alcalá - Instituto Franklin

Alcalá de Henares, Spain  
October 2017-June 2018

- 60 ECTS credits
- Multidisciplinary program spanning theory, methodology, and practice
- Master's Thesis: Curriculum Design of EFL or adults course emphasized student motivation, appropriate content selection and assessment, and a communicative approach

TESOL Certificate  
University of California at Berkeley Extension

Berkeley, California, USA  
December 2014

- 255 hours of coursework
- 5 hours of practicum teaching
- completed with 'A' grade in all seven graduate level courses

Bachelor's of Arts, Theater  
California State University at Fullerton

Fullerton, California, USA  
May 2009

- Graduated Cum Laude

## Work Experience

Accent Coach

Online - US Based

Accent Advisor

June 2020 - Current

- Pinpoint student difficulties in speaking/pronunciation in English and isolate and correct the issues using specific explanations with visual examples.
- Completely online with students all around the globe in various time zones.

IELTS Examiner

Beijing, China

British Council China

Dec. 2018 - Dec. 2020

- Provide professional support and expertise on assessment using the BC band descriptors
- Consult with management on both speaking and writing assessment using the BC band descriptors

Auxiliar de Conversación

Leganés, Spain

CEIP Ortega y Gasset

October 2016-June 2018

- Independently teach small groups as well as entire class of children from 4-12 years old; utility of English and Spanish in-classroom
- Prepare effective and communicative lessons with little preparation time
- Design preparatory curriculum for Cambridge KET/PET tests
- Focus on remedial lessons with lower level students

In-Company EFL Teacher

Madrid, Spain

Various academies

October 2016-October 2018

- assess student levels and prepare curriculum appropriately
- focus on maximizing student talk time via a communicative approach
- Special attention to student motivation and affective filter reduction

EFL Teacher

New Taipei City, Taiwan

The English Academy

March 2015-May 2016

- taught general English to adults and children from beginner to high intermediate
- received regular observations from DoS to ensure my constant professional improvement
- taught pedagogical workshops to my fellow teachers
- taught with student-centered communicative focus

ESL Teacher

San Francisco, California

Advance English Academy

October 2014-January 2015

- taught students in a wide age range from many different countries
- taught TOEFL classes to US college bound adults
- created my own materials to use in conjunction with provided textbook
- utilized a varied teaching approach to access every student's learning style

ESL Tutor  
College of Alameda

Alameda, California  
Spring 2014 semester

- tutored college level ESL adult students at various levels
- focused on academic writing and grammar

### **Additional Training**

Completion of NILE Teaching, Evaluation and Assessment online certificate course

- Certificate of Distinction awarded
- Studied key concepts and theories in academic field of assessment

NILE Certificate of Management in Language Education (MA module) - in progress

- Included survey and analysis of current ELT management theory
- Final study focused on customer service to finish by 9/30/2020

### **Languages**

Spanish C1 (Escuela Oficial de Idiomas, Embajadores, Madrid)

French A1

Chinese A1

### **Travel/Intercultural Experience**

Lived and worked in Madrid, Spain - August 2016-November 2018

Lived and worked in Taipei, Taiwan - January 2015-May 2016

Lived, traveled, and volunteered through South America - December 2010-June 2011

Lived and traveled through Argentina - June-July 2008

Lived and traveled through Italy and Spain - December 2007