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CURRENT POSITION

Professor, Department of Anthropology, Modesto Junior College

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2004** **University of California, Santa Cruz**—Physical Anthropology
Dissertation Title: “Anatomical growth patterns in colobine monkeys and implications for primate evolution (*Trachypithecus cristata*, *Presbytis rubicunda*, *Nasalis larvatus*).” Dissertation committee: A. Zihlman (chair), N. Jablonski, B. Rogoff.
- M.A. 2003** **University of California, Santa Cruz**—Anthropology
- M.A. 1994** **University of California, Riverside**—Anthropology
- B.A. 1991** **University of California, Santa Cruz**—Anthropology, Honors

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Human Evolution; Growth; Development; Life History; Ontogeny; Culture; Demography; Functional Morphology; Body Composition; Science Communication

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- 2020 - present **Faculty Affiliate.** California State University Stanislaus, Turlock, CA
- 2014 - present **Honorary Research Fellow.** University of Witwatersrand. Centre for the Exploration of the Deep Human Journey / Evolutionary Studies Institute, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 2011 - present **Forensic Anthropology Consultant.** Tuolumne County Sheriff and Sonora Police Department, Sonora, CA.
- 2017 **Adjunct Instructor of Anthropology.** California State University Stanislaus, Turlock, CA.
- 2016-2017 **Adjunct Instructor of Anthropology.** Columbia College, Columbia, CA.
- 2013-2016 **Negotiator (Lead 2014-2016).** Yosemite Community College District, Modesto, CA.

2012-2013	Faculty Accreditation Chair. Modesto Junior College, Modesto, CA.
2011-2015	Lead Faculty and Primary Reviewer Common Course Identification (C-ID) System. Academic Senate for California Community Colleges, Sacramento, CA.
2004-2008	Instructor of Anthropology. Modesto Junior College, Modesto, CA.
1995-2000	Adjunct Instructor of Anthropology. Modesto Junior College, Modesto, CA and Cabrillo College, Aptos, CA.

GRANTS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS

2021	eLife. Ben Barres Spotlight Award (Research). \$5383.
2020	Modesto Junior College. MJC Foundation Grant (Research). \$1000
2019	Modesto Junior College. Student Equity Grant (Conference). \$2500
2019	Modesto Junior College. MJC Foundation Grant (Conference). \$800
2017 - 2018	Modesto Junior College. One Year Sabbatical (course release).
2016	Modesto Junior College. MJC Foundation Grant (Conference). \$1500
2015	Modesto Junior College. MJC Foundation Grant (Conference). \$1150
2014	Modesto Junior College. MJC Foundation Grant (Research). \$500
2013	Modesto Junior College. MJC Foundation Grant (Accreditation). \$800
2010 - 2013	Modesto Junior College. Title V Grant Professional Improvement, 6 total. \$300-500
2010 - 2011	Modesto Junior College. One Year Sabbatical (course release).
2007	Modesto Junior College. MJC Educational Grant (Equipment), with S. Kerr. \$250
2004 - 2006	Modesto Junior College. Professional Improvement Grant, 3 total \$300-500.
2001 - 2002	University of California, Santa Cruz. Regent's Fellowship. \$15,000
2000	Cabrillo College. Conference Travel Grant. \$300
1997	Modesto Junior College. MJC Foundation Grant (Equipment), with R & D Lenkeit. \$250
1997	Modesto Junior College. Mini-Grant (Professional Improvement). \$500

1992 - 1993 **University of California, Riverside.** Graduate Dean's Fellowship. \$10,500

SCHOLARSHIP

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- 2021** Brophy, J., Elliott, C., De Ruiter, D., **Bolter, D.R.**, Churchill, S., Walker, C., Hawks, J., Berger, L. Immature hominin craniodental remains from a new locality in the Rising Star Cave System, South Africa. *PaleoAnthropology* 1: 1-14.
<https://doi.org/10.48738/2021.iss1.64>
- 2020** **D.R. Bolter**, M. Elliott, J. Hawks, L. Berger. Immature remains and the first partial skeleton of a juvenile *Homo naledi*, a late Middle Pleistocene hominin from South Africa. *PLoS One*.
<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0230440>
- 2020** **D.R. Bolter** and N. Cameron. Utilizing auxology to understand ontogeny of extinct hominins: A case study on *Homo naledi*. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*. June 15.
<https://doi.org/10.1002/ajpa.24088>
- 2018** **D.R. Bolter**, J. Hawks, B. Bogin, N. Cameron. Palaeodemographics of individuals in Dinaledi Chamber based on dental remains. *South African Journal of Science*. 114(1/2), Jan/Feb.
<https://doi.org/10.17159/sajs.2018/20170066>
- 2017** N. Cameron, B. Bogin, **D.R. Bolter**, L. Berger. Post-cranial skeletal maturation of *Australopithecus sediba*. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 163: 633-640.
<https://doi.org/10.1002/ajpa.23234>
- 2015** A.L. Zihlman and **D.R. Bolter**. Body composition in *Pan paniscus* compared with *Homo sapiens* has implications for changes during human evolution. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*
<https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1505071112>
- 2015** L. Berger, J. Hawks, D. de Ruiter, S. Churchill, P. Schmid, S. Williams, J. DeSilva, T. Kivell, M. Skinner, C. Musiba, N. Cameron, T. Holliday, W. Harcourt-Smith, R. Ackermann, M. Bastir, B. Bogin, **D.R. Bolter**, J. Brophy, Z. Cofran, K. Congdon, A. Deane, L. Delezene, M. Dembo, M. Elliott, E. Feuerriegel, D. Garcia-Martinez, H. Garvin, D. Green, A. Gurto, A. Kruger, M. Laird, D. Marchi, M. Meyer, S. Nalla, E. Negash, D. Radovic, J. Scott, L. Schroeder, Z. Throckmorton, C. VanSickle, C. Walker, P. Wei, and B. Zipfel. *Homo naledi*, a new species of the genus

- Homo* from the Dinaledi Chamber, South Africa. *eLife* 4:e09560. September 10. <https://doi.org/10.7554/eLife.09560>
- 2012** **D.R. Bolter** and A.L. Zihlman. Skeletal development in *Pan paniscus* with comparisons to *Pan troglodytes*. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 147:629-636. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ajpa.22025>
- 2011** **D.R. Bolter** and A.L. Zihlman. Dental development timing in captive *Pan paniscus* with comparisons to *Pan troglodytes*. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 145:647-652. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ajpa.21517>
- 2011** **D.R. Bolter**. A comparative study of growth patterns in crested langurs and vervet monkeys. *Anatomy Research International* Volume 2011. <https://doi.org/10.1155/2011/948671>
- 2007** A.L. Zihlman, **D.R. Bolter** and C. Boesch. Growth and development in wild chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*) from Tai National Forest, Cote d'Ivoire. *Journal of Zoology London* 273: 63-73. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1469-7998.2007.00301.x>
- 2004** A.L. Zihlman, **D.R. Bolter**, and C. Boesch. Wild chimpanzee dentition and its implications for assessing life history in immature hominid fossils. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 101 (29): 10541-10543. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.0402635101>
- 2003** **D.R. Bolter** and A.L. Zihlman. Morphometric analysis of growth and development in wild-collected vervet monkeys (*Cercopithecus aethiops*), with implications for growth patterns across Old World monkeys, apes and humans. *Journal of Zoology, London* 260(1): 99-110. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0952836903003522>

Internally-reviewed book chapters

- 2021** **Bolter, D.R.**, Zihlman, A. Special topics, chapter 1: The evolution of human growth. Invited chapter for *Human Growth and Development*, N. Cameron and L. Schell (Eds). Elsevier/Academic Press, pp. 425-448.
- 2013** J. Kelley and **D.R. Bolter**. Growth, development and life history in hominin evolution. Invited chapter for *Companion to Paleoanthropology*. D. Begun (Ed). Wiley-Blackwell Press, pp. 97-117.
- 2011** **D.R. Bolter** and A.L. Zihlman. Primate growth and development: a functional and evolutionary approach. Invited chapter for *Primates in Perspective*. S. Bearder, C.

Campbell, A. Fuentes, K. McKinnon (Eds). Oxford University Press, pp. 408-422.

- 2004** A.L. Zihlman and **D.R. Bolter**. Mammalian and primate roots of human sociality. Invited chapter for *Origin and Nature of Sociality among Nonhuman and Human Primates*. R. Sussman and A. Chapman (Eds). Aldine de Gruyter, pp. 21-52.

Peer-reviewed abstracts of conference presentations

- (2022)** J.K. Brophy, **D.R. Bolter**, J. Hawks, L. Berger. “An analysis of the five young *Homo naledi* juveniles recovered from the Rising Star Cave System, South Africa.” *American Association of Physical Anthropologists, accepted for annual meetings, Denver, CO.*
- 2020** **D.R. Bolter** and M.C. Elliott. “Skeletal element distribution of immature *Homo naledi* remains in the Dinaledi Chamber, South Africa.” *American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, accepted but meeting canceled.*
- 2019** **D.R. Bolter** and M.C. Elliott. “New associated immature postcranial remains of *Homo naledi* from the Dinaledi Chamber, South Africa.” *American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Cleveland, OH.*
- 2018** **D.R. Bolter**, J. Turnquist and T. Kensler. “The value of long term data collection and life history tracking and preservation: The unique CPRC, University of Puerto Rico monkey skeletal collection.” *American Society of Primatologists, annual meetings, San Antonio, TX.*
- 2018** B. Marriott, **D.R. Bolter**, L. Trudel and B. Giura. “Cayo Santiago: Comparison of vascular plants, vegetation zones and plant food resources before and after Hurricane Maria.” *American Society of Primatologists, annual meetings, San Antonio, TX.*
- 2018** A Zihlman, **D.R. Bolter**, and C. Underwood. “Reconstructing australopith bodies.” *American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Austin, TX.*
- 2018** **D.R. Bolter** and M.C. Elliott. “Late juvenile *Homo naledi* partially articulated lower limb from Dinaledi Chamber, South Africa.” *American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Austin, TX.*
- 2017** **D.R. Bolter** and J. Hagen. “Innovative science teaching with 3D hominin fossil prints.” *American Association for the Advancement of Science, Pacific Division, annual meetings, Waimea, HI.*

- 2017** D.R. Bolter, A.Zihlman and C. Underwood. "Muscle proportions and body composition in an infant gorilla." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, New Orleans, LA.
- 2016** D.R. Bolter, Z. Cofran, C. Walker, M.M. Skinner, B. Bogin, N. Cameron, L. Berger and J. Hawks. "Assessment of life stages of the individuals at Rising Star." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Atlanta, GA.
- 2015** D.R. Bolter. "Growing up ape." Spanish Society for Physical Anthropologists (SEAF), annual meetings. Madrid, Spain.
- 2015** C. Underwood, A. Zihlman and D.R. Bolter. "Functional regions of the trunk in chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*) and langurs (*Semnopithecus entellus*): A comparison of deep back muscles." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, St. Louis, MO.
- 2014** D.R. Bolter and A. Zihlman. "Growing up gibbon." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Alberta, Canada.
- 2013** C. Underwood, A. Zihlman and D.R. Bolter. "Locomotor anatomy of gray langurs (*Semnopithecus entellus*)." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Knoxville, TN.
- 2013** A. Zihlman, C. Underwood and D.R. Bolter. "Locomotor anatomy of patas monkeys (*Erythrocebus patas*)." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Knoxville, TN.
- 2012** A.Zihlman and D.R. Bolter. "Life stages, body proportions and locomotor behavior in captive *Pan paniscus*." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Portland, OR.
- 2011** A. Zihlman and D.R. Bolter. "How body composition in *Pan paniscus* challenges the "expensive tissue hypothesis." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2010** D.R. Bolter and A. Zihlman. "Dental developmental timing in *Pan paniscus* compared to *Pan troglodytes*." American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Albuquerque, NM.
- 2010** D.R. Bolter and A. Zihlman. "Locomotor anatomy and behavior of captive *Pan paniscus*." American Association for the

- Advancement of Science, Pacific Division, annual meetings, Ashland, OR.
- 2009** **D.R. Bolter.** “Regularities of growth patterns in catarrhines.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Chicago, IL.
- 2007** A. Zihlman and **D.R. Bolter.** “Chimpanzee and gibbon bipedality: A contrast in limb and muscle proportions.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2007** **D.R. Bolter,** A. Zihlman and C. Boesch. “Growth rates of wild chimpanzees: Implications for hominid evolution.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2006** A. Zihlman, **D.R. Bolter** and C. Boesch. “Skeletal variation in age and sex of wild chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes verus*) from Taï National Park, Côte d’Ivoire.” International Primatological Society, annual meetings, Entebbe, Uganda.
- 2006** **D.R. Bolter** and A. Zihlman. “Dental and skeletal maturation in wild great apes.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Anchorage, AL.
- 2006** C. Underwood, A. Zihlman and **D.R. Bolter.** “Form, function, and body composition in gray langurs (*Presbytis (Semnopithecus) entellus*): A Preliminary Report.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Anchorage, AL.
- 2005** **D.R. Bolter** and A. Zihlman. “Methods for assessing primate growth and development with attention to sex differences.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Milwaukee, WI.
- 2004** A. Zihlman, **D.R. Bolter** and C. Boesch. “Skeletal and dental development in wild chimpanzees from the Taï National Forest, Ivory Coast and Gombe Reserve, Tanzania.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Tampa, FL.
- 2004** **D.R. Bolter.** “Sex differences in growth patterns in proboscis monkeys and crested langurs.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Tampa, FL.
- 2003** A. Zihlman and **D.R. Bolter.** “Growth and development in wild chimpanzees, fossil hominids, and *Homo sapiens*.” International Anthropological Conference of Ales Hrdlička. Prague, Czech Republic.

- 2003** **D.R. Bolter.** “Anatomical growth and development in hamadryas baboons (*Papio hamadryas*) compared with the closely related vervet monkeys (*Cercopithecus aethiops*).” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Tempe, AZ.
- 2002** **D.R. Bolter** and A. Zihlman. “Growth and development in body systems in gorillas (*Gorilla gorilla*) and chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*): A preliminary report.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Buffalo, NY.
- 2001** **D.R. Bolter** and A. Zihlman. “Dental and skeletal development in wild caught vervet monkeys (*C. aethiops*).” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, Kansas City, MO.
- 2000** **D.R. Bolter.** “Computer technology in anthropology education.” American Association of Physical Anthropologists, annual meetings, San Antonio, TX.
- 2000** **D.R. Bolter.** “Educational trends in anthropology.” Society for Applied Anthropologists, annual meetings, San Francisco, CA.

Invited presentations, public talks and colloquia

- 2020 Fromm Institute, University of San Francisco. “New human species out of Africa.” San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 Modesto Institute for Continued Learning. “*Homo erectus* and beyond: Asia and Europe expansion, and more exciting developments in Africa.” Modesto, CA.
- 2019 Modesto Institute for Continued Learning. “Introducing Human Evolution: 5-2 million years ago in Africa--Landscape, selective pressures and australopiths.” Modesto, CA.
- 2018 American Anthropology Association. Invited symposium. “Headlines over the past year: New and old in biological anthropology.” San Jose, CA.
- 2018 Science Colloquium. “Critical recovery efforts after Hurricane Maria at the Caribbean Primate Research Center and Cayo Santiago, Puerto Rico.” Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2018 California Community College Anthropology Teachers’ Conference. “Critical recovery efforts after Hurricane Maria at the Caribbean Primate Research Center and Cayo Santiago, Puerto Rico.” Paso Robles, CA.
- 2017 Anthropology Expo, Lancaster Community College, keynote address. “New insights into human evolution: *Homo naledi* and the Rising Star Cave, South Africa.” Lancaster, CA.

- 2017 Science Colloquium. "What's new with *Homo naledi* and the Rising Star Cave, South Africa?" Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2017 Great Valley Museum. "African savanna: Ecology, animals and ancestors." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2017 Fromm Institute. "There's always something new from Africa." University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA.
- 2017 California Community College Anthropology Teachers' Conference, keynote address. "*Homo naledi*: General features and evolutionary implications." Paso Robles, CA.
- 2016 Columbia College. "*Homo naledi*: A new hominid species from South Africa." Columbia, CA.
- 2016 American Association of University Women. "New insights into human evolution from the Rising Star Cave." Sonora Branch. Sonora, CA.
- 2016 Fromm Institute. "New insights into human evolution from the Rising Star Cave." University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015 Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools, Dinner with a Scientist, keynote speaker. "Doing science and studying fossils in South Africa." Columbia, CA.
- 2015 Modesto Area Partners in Science (MAPS). "New insights into human evolution from the Rising Star Cave in South Africa." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2015 Science Colloquium. "My anthropology researches in South Africa." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2015 Fromm Institute. "New human fossil finds in South Africa." University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 Science Colloquium. "Using forensics on fossils to understand human evolution." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2012 - 2014 Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools. "Dinner with a scientist." Sonora, CA.
- 2011 Science Colloquium. "*Ardipithecus ramidus*, *Australopithecus sediba*, and Neanderthal genes: Do new fossils and ancient DNA change our ideas about human evolution?" Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2009 Modesto Institute for Continued Learning (MICL). "What Darwin didn't know." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.

- 2009 Science Colloquium. "What Darwin didn't know." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2008 Kick Back Science Seminar. "Darwin's contributions to anthropology." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2008 - 2009 Oakdale Unified School District. "Dinner with a scientist." Oakdale, CA.
- 2006 Kick Back Science Seminar. "Three misconceptions about anthropology." Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA. With S. Kerr. Modesto, CA.
- 2005 Kick-Back Science Seminar. "What's new in Anthropology?" Modesto Junior College. Modesto, CA.
- 2004 - 2012 Sonora Elementary School. Annual presentations on anthropological topics, including: Primates, Native Americans of California, Flint-knapping stone tools, Maya civilization. Sonora, CA.

Media coverage, representative sample

- 2021 Elsabe Brits. [Child's skull fossil found in the Cradle of Humankind](#). Nature. 10 November 2021.
- 2021 Stephen Luntz. [Homo Naledi Child's Skull May Reveal How They Treated Their Dead](#). IFLS. 5 November 2021.
- 2021 [Media Conference: Child of Darkness](#). University of Witwatersrand. 5 November 2021.
- 2020 Michael Greshko. [Puzzling skeleton helps reveal how ancient human relative grew up](#). National Geographic. 1 April 2020.
- 2020 Rosie McCall. [Remains of Child From Mystery Human Species That Lived 300,000 Years Ago Discovered](#). Newsweek. 1 April 2020.
- 2018 Tanya Farber. [Homo naledi: making sense of 300,000-year-old bones of contention](#). South African Sunday Times. 4 February 2018.
- 2015 John Noble Wilford. [Homo Naledi, New Species in Human Lineage, Is Found in South African Cave](#). New York Times. 10 September 2015.
- 2015 [Media Conference: The Discovery of #Homo naledi in Maropeng, Johannesburg](#). University of Witwatersrand. 10 September 2015.
- 2015 Pallab Ghosh. [New human-like species discovered in S. Africa](#). BBC News. 10 September 2015.
- 2015 Janet Fang. [Bonobo Study Reveals Our Ancestors Likely Had Less Body Fat and More Muscle Mass](#). ILFS. 2 June 2015.

- 2015 Richard Gray. [How our ancestors made us FAT: Early humans piled on the pounds but lost muscle mass as they evolved.](#) Daily Mail. 1 June 2015.
- 2004 Anne Gibbons. [Homo Erectus a Bit Like a Chimp?](#) Science. 23 July 2004.

ELECTED OFFICES/LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- 2014 - 2015 **Yosemite Faculty Association President.** Yosemite Community College District.
- 2013 - 2014 **Yosemite Faculty Association Vice President.** Modesto Junior College.
- 2013 - 2014 **President Elect.** American Association University Women, Sonora Branch.
- 2012 - 2013 **Yosemite Faculty Association College Council Representative.** Modesto Junior College.
- 2011 - 2013 **Yosemite Faculty Association Faculty Representative-At-Large.** Modesto Junior College.
- 2011 - 2013 **Co-Vice President of Programs.** American Association University Women, Sonora Branch.
- 2003 - 2005 **Site Council Committee Member.** Sonora Elementary School. Sonora, CA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE/AWARDS

Courses Taught

Introduction to Biological Anthropology
 Biological Anthropology Laboratory
 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
 Special Topics: *Homo naledi*
 Archaeology and Cultural Prehistory
 Introduction to Women's Studies (Anthropology Module)

Awards

- 2012 **Excellence in Teaching Award.** MJC Foundation, Modesto Junior College, Modesto, CA.
- 1996 **Exceptional Service Award for Teaching.** Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society Upsilon Chapter. Modesto Junior College, Modesto, CA.

Certificates

2020

Certified Master Online Instructor: Introduction to Online Instruction, Introduction to Canvas, and Advanced Canvas. Modesto Junior College, Modesto, CA.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to the Profession**Reviewer, Journals**

American Journal of Physical Anthropology; American Journal of Primatology; Evolution, Medicine, and Public Health; Journal of Evolutionary Biology; Proceedings of National Academy of Sciences.

Reviewer, Grants

National Science Foundation.

Reviewer, Textbooks/OER

Academic Senate of California Community Colleges; Pearson-Prentice Hall.

Service to the College

- 2008 - present** Program Review Liaison for Anthropology Department.
- 2008 - present** Curriculum Liaison for Anthropology Department.
- 2005 - present** Evaluations/Peer Observation Committees, Faculty (31).
- 2005 - present** Hiring/Selection Committees (17).
- 2022** Faculty Retreat Co-organizer.
- 2016 - 2017** Great Valley Museum *Homo naledi* Exhibit.
- 2015 - 2016** Sabbatical Leave Committee, Chair.
- 2014 - 2017** Division Council, Business, Behavioral and Social Sciences.
- 2014 - 2015** Benefits Committee (Yosemite Community College District).
- 2014 - 2015** Employer Employee Relations Committee (Yosemite Community College District).
- 2013 - 2015** Banked Leave Committee.
- 2013 - 2015** Calendar Committee (Yosemite Community College District).
- 2012 - 2015** College Council.
- 2012 - 2013** Accreditation Council.
- 2012** Participatory Governance Handbook Workgroup.
- 2011 - 2012** Accreditation and Instructional Effectiveness (A/IE) Committee.

- 2011 - 2012** Business, Behavioral and Social Sciences Division Council Organizational Workgroup.
- 2011 - 2012** State Curriculum/C-ID Workgroups, Northern and Southern California. Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.
- 2008 - 2015** Measure E Bond, High Tech Center Building Committee.
- 2008 - 2011** Measure E Bond, Founders Hall Remodel Committee.
- 2007 - 2008** Sabbatical Leave Committee.
- 2006 - 2008** Modesto Area Partners in Science Committee.
- 2005 - 2013** BBSS Faculty Retreat Workgroup/Co-Organizer.
- 2005 - 2007** Curriculum Committee Representative for Behavioral and Social Sciences.
- 2005 - 2007** Measure E Bond, Founders Hall Sub-Committee.
- 2004 - 2008** Measure E Bond, Science Community Center Committee.
- 1997 - 1999** Mini-Grant Committee, Instructional Resource Center.
- 1996** Planning Committee, *Introduction to Women's Studies*