

# DAN MCDOWELL

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

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- Significant experience integrating technology into the K12 social studies classroom, including WebQuests, wikis, Moodle, blogs, and digital video production
  - Strong instructional design background
  - National, state, and local educational technology leader, presenting over 35 workshops and seminars
  - Thorough knowledge of American and World History
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## CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE

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### **Social Studies Teacher** (1996 – present)

West Hills High School, Santee, CA

- Curricular subjects developed and taught include AP World History, United States History, World History, Humanities, Geography, Journalism, Web Design, and Technology Fundamentals
- Site Technology Committee Member (1996 – present)
- Professional Learning Community Leader (2006 – present)
- School Newspaper Advisor (1997 – 2000)

### **Lecturer** (2006 – present)

San Diego State University, Department of Educational Technology

- Developed and taught ET700: Advanced Digital Video Seminar (2006, 2007)
  - Taught ET541: Web Based Multimedia Development (2007)
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## CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

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### **PBS Teachers Advisory Board Member** (2006 – 2007)

### **KCET / PBS Educational Director for Andrew Jackson Documentary Web Site and DVD-ROM** (2007)

Advised the project on all educational related issues and created extensive educational.

### **Technology Integration Specialist and Presenter** (1996 – present)

Prepare and present workshops that focus on utilizing computers in the K12 classroom. Recent presentations:

- *Choose Your Own Wiki Adventure*, NCSS (2007), NECC (2006)
- *Google for Educators: Beyond Searching*, Grossmont Union High School District (2007)
- *Teaching the Holocaust with Technology*, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and SDSU (2007)

### **Instructional Designer** (2000 – present)

Experience includes conducting needs analysis, designing solution systems, usability testing, and project implementation.

Projects include:

- San Diego Center of California Council on Economics Education – Ongoing project that has included web site development, knowledge management, and video production.
- VIIDAI – Developed methods for a non-profit organization, dissemination of information, and online training
- Grossmont Union High School District – Assisted in planning and development of three different weeklong summer workshops.

### **Web Designer** (1998 – present)

Design and create educational and commercial web sites and customized open source content management systems. Complete list and URLs available on web site.

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## PUBLICATIONS

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- *Digital Media Literacy and WebQuests*, PBS Teachers Media Infusion Blog (May 2007)
- *Knowledge Management for K-12 Teachers*, Educational Technology Magazine (2007)
- *Ask a Mentor*, Teacher Magazine (2006)
- *Modern World History* (2004) and *Western Civilization Curriculum Guides* (2003), Teaching Point Publishing. Yearlong curriculum includes daily lesson plans, projects, lectures, handouts, and exams
- ahistoryteacher.com (1996 – present), Online portfolio
- ahistoryteacher.com/wordpress (2004 – 2007), Semi-regularly updated blog
- *A Viewing Guide to World History* (2002), Online presentations and curriculum

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## AWARDS, GRANTS, AND AFFILIATIONS

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- SDSU Honors Graduate, Department of Educational Technology (2006)
- Best Buy Teach Grant (2003, 2007)
- NEA Innovation Grant (2003)
- San Diego Computer Using Educators Grant (2000, 2004)
- Classroom Connect Western Region Internet Educator of the Year (2002)
- San Diego County Office of Education Resolution for Technology Integration (2002)
- Target Scholarship for Educational Technology Masters Program (2001)
- San Diego County Journalism Teacher of the Year (2000)
- Computer-Using Educators Member (1997 – present), Vice President of San Diego CUE (2004 – 2005)
- International Society of Instructional Technologists Member (2006 – present)
- California Council for the Social Studies Member (1998 – present)
- The San Diego Center for Economics Education Board Member (2000 – present)

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## EDUCATION

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**M.A.**, San Diego State University, Educational Technology, 2006.

**Single Subject Teaching Credential**, San Diego State University, Social Studies, 1996.

**B.A.**, University of California, San Diego. United States History, Minor in Visual Arts/Photography, 1994.

**References available upon request.**