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Educational Background

1986 – 1988	Masters of Education
University of Alberta	Ed. Foundations (Intercultural Education)
Edmonton, Alberta	Completed course work
1980	Bachelor of Education
University of Alberta	
Edmonton, Alberta	
1975 – 1977	Morningstar Teacher Training Program
Blue Quills School (University of Alberta)	
St. Paul, Alberta	
1965 – 1966	Senior Matriculation
Alberta College Grade 12	
Edmonton, Alberta	
1963 – 1965	High School Graduate
Racette High School	
St. Paul, Alberta	

Employment History

2005 - 2011 I completed a number of contracts in the field of Aboriginal Education:

- 2010-2011- consultant to Yukon Education and the CAFN Bicultural Committee using the Alberta Cree Program of Studies as template for the Southern Tutchone language
- 2008-2011 – Edmonton Public Schools teacher consultant
- Orientation to the Cree Language and Culture Program of Studies – completed

March 31, 2007, Alberta Education

- Cree Language and Culture Assessment Tool for Grade Five- Edmonton Public Schools, completed December , 2006

Cree Language and Culture Assessment Tool for Grade Four - Edmonton Public Schools.
Completed December.2005

Teacher's Manual for Aboriginal Studies 10.20,30- Providing Aboriginal perspective,
pedagogy/validation to the lesson plans.2005- 2006

Aboriginal Perspective for the provincial textbooks for Grade 4,and 8- Thomson-Duval
Publishing

Cree Language and Culture Guide to Implementation- providing Cree pedagogy- Alberta
Education and Thomson-Duval Publishing, completed October, 2006

Cree language and Culture Program of Studies presentations - Edmonton Public School

2004 -2005 –I took early retirement from Northland School Division and started contract
work in the field of Cree language and cross -cultural education.

Indigenous Language Data base - Treaty Six Education

Evaluation for the Cree language Programs at Miyowahkotowin Education Authority
Ermineskin Schools- Hobbema,AB

Aboriginal Studies Textbooks[Winner of the Alberta Book Award 2003, 2005] -
Providing Aboriginal perspectives and research - Duval House Publishing

2003 – June 2004	Supervisor of Native Programs
Northland School Division No. 61 Bag 1400 Peace River, Alberta T8S 1V2	Supervises 25 Cree/ Dene language programs in Northern Alberta Liaises with communities, ie: education, language/cultural education Liaises with Alberta Education { Aboriginal Services Branch, Learning Resources Branch}
1999 - 2003	Aboriginal Resource Consultant
Alberta Learning Edmonton, Alberta	Seconded to Alberta Learning from Northland School Division No. 61, to develop Aboriginal Language student/teacher resources, including Cree Languages & Culture Program of Studies.
1989 – 1999	Supervisor of Native Programs

Northland School Division No. 61 Bag 1400 Peace River, Alberta T8S 1V2	Curriculum development for Cree 10, 20, 30 (Alberta Education) Supervises 25 Cree/Dene language program in Northern Alberta Co-Author of Nihiyawewin 10, 20, 30 Liaises with communities, ie: education, cultural education Liaises with Alberta Education and Native Education Steering Committee—Aboriginal Studies 10, 20, 30
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September 1988 – June 1989	High School Teacher
Alexander Education Centre Box 1440 Morinville, Alberta T0G 1P0	Taught Grade 10 Native Studies, Social Studies 13, Cree 15/25.

January 1988 – May 1988	Research Assistant
University of Alberta Educational Foundations Edmonton, Alberta	Duties included research for Dr. Tittley on a variety of subjects. Supervisor: Dr. Brian Tittley

January 1987 – April 1987	Research Assistant
University of Alberta Educational Foundations Edmonton, Alberta	Duties included research and writing an outline for a University course presently being taught as Native Studies 445 with colleague: Idrenne Alparaque. Supervisor: Dr. R. Carney

September 1980 – June 1986	Teacher
High Prairie School Division No. 48 PO Box 870 High Prairie, Alberta T0G 1E0	Duties included teaching all elementary Grades 1 – 6 in a variety of core subjects. Cree language and cultural teaching half-time.

September 1977 – June 1978	Teacher
St. Paul School Division No. 2228 Box 5000 St. Paul, Alberta T0A 3A0	Duties included teaching Native Studies, Junior High, Cree 15 for Grade 10. Adapted and developed Cree teaching materials for Junior High School.

* Prior to going back to university in 1975 I worked for Alberta Native Communications Society and Alberta Health Care in a general clerical capacity for a number of years in the early 1970's.

Volunteer Work

May 1997 – 1998	Member of the Steering Committee for Services for Children, Region 14, Peace River Re-design of provincial initiative.
April 1999 – August 1999	Co-Chair of the Steering Committee for Services for Children, Region 14, Peace River
September 2000 – May 2003	Co-Chair of the Mamowe Regional Authority for Region 6, Services for Children, Edmonton
January 2005 – present	Board Member of Region 6 Child and Family Services Authority

Personal Data

Marital Status
Languages Spoken
Personal Interests

Single
Plains and Northern Cree, English
Reading mysteries, painting, creative writing

References

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