# LIZA HILDRETH

I am a lifelong learner who enjoys the challenge of collaborating with others to reach their potential. I am driven to help young adults develop as informed, empowered global citizens who hone their socioemotional and critical thinking skills in the context of learning about themselves and the world around them.

# **EDUCATION + ACCREDITATION**

NESA: Proficient ● AISNSW: Experienced ● NSW Working with Children: WWC0888591E ● Citizenship: Australia + USA

**GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN EDUATION (SECONDARY)** 

2008-2010

University of New England

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED COUNSELLING** 

2007

University of Western Sydney

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY** 

1993-1997

Harvard University

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA (Advanced Placement English Lit + World History)

1989-1993

The Branson School

### **EMPLOYMENT**

TEEN MENTOR 2023-present

**Sefl-employed** Northern Beaches, NSW

• Provide knowledgeable, trusted support and bespoke practical skills to help teens aged 13-19 confidently rise to the challenges of life and school

#### **TEACHER and COURSE COORDINATOR**

2010-2023

Barker College Hornsby, NSW

Classroom Teacher (2010-2023)

- Creative teacher with strong humanities content knowledge and relational skills utilising innovative pedagogical strategies and technologies targeting a range of individual learning needs in streamed and mixed ability classes
- Taught and developed activities, resources, units and programs for Stages 4 and 5 History, Stage 6 Ancient History, Stage 6 Society + Culture and Stage 5 Global Studies electives; have taught over 60 different units of work
- Co-created and taught Preliminary and HSC Society + Culture programs, launched at Barker in 2020
- Worked actively and closely with Learning Support staff to assist individual students in the classroom
- Member of interdepartmental Writing Across the School group to discuss writing instruction and share resources

# **Global Studies Coordinator** (2018-2023)

- Led and taught inquiry-based, student-centred Year 9 and Year 10 extension elective courses with informed global citizenship, service learning, community engagement, academic rigour, primary and secondary research at their core
- Organised team meetings, managed budget, facilitated teacher collaboration, restructured and improved existing
  programs, created assessments and updated resources for cross-curricular units (media studies, philosophy, social
  psychology, economics, history, international relations, human rights law, geopolitics)
- Organised annual excursions (Q+A filming, Sydney Jewish Museum, The Big Issue Classroom)
- Assisted students to develop their information, writing, drafting, editing, and primary and secondary research skills to create a ~5,000 word research piece that develops solutions to current global issues of the students' choosing

#### Year 9 History Coordinator (2011)

- Organised program, assessments and teacher collaboration to create shared teaching and learning resources
- Restructured and developed units in line with new 2012 Australian History curriculum; helped develop Big History units
- Created Year 9 History elective unit Children in War in which students interview former child soldiers

# Wellbeing and Co-curricular Activities (2010-2023)

- Connect Group Leader co-responsible for the wellbeing of senior students; two terms acting Head of group
- Wilderness camp staff, Athletics data entry, Volleyball coach and Surf Life Saving coach (fitness and first aid)
- Coordinated and coached Model United Nations teams (2018-2019, 2021)

# **DISABILITY DAY PROGRAMS MANAGER**

2007-2009

Eastern Respite + Recreation Maroubra, NSW

Managed staff, budget, grants, reporting and programming for two disability day centres providing life skills education and community access opportunities for post-school leavers with intellectual and physical disabilities. Oversaw the implementation of individual behaviour management and skills development plans to maximise social inclusion.

#### **HOMELESS EDUCATION + ACTIVITIES MANAGER**

2004-2007

Matthew Talbot Hostel Woolloomooloo, NSW

Managed staff, budget, grants, reporting and programming for two Education + Activities Day Centres providing educational, vocational, recreational and life skills programs for adults experiencing homelessness. Linked in with other homeless services and existing education and training programs at UNSW, University of Sydney and TAFE.

#### **EDUCATION CONNECTIONS PROJECT OFFICER + RESEARCHER**

2002-2003

University of Sydney Lidcombe, NSW

Supported the Director of Education Connections and Associate Dean of Teaching + Learning with academic research, surveying and liaising with staff and students, project coordination, document control and report writing to implement Distance Education and Inquiry Teaching + Learning programs across the multi-disciplinary School of Health Sciences.

ROWING COACH 1997-2002

#### Sydney Grammar School Gladesville, NSW

Developed and executed land and water training sessions and development of sportsmanship of a senior four crew (1997-98) and junior quads with coxswain (2000-02). NCAS Level One coaching accreditation gained (not current).

WAIT STAFF + BAR STAFF 1995-2009

San Francisco + Sydney

Intermittent work as wait and bar staff at waterside restaurants in San Francisco (Franciscan Crab Restaurant) and Sydney (Quay, Manta, Coast, Pier, Catalina). Troy's Hospitality, casual staff for corporate and high-end functions.

# **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

SECRETARY 2020-present

#### Dee Why Public School P+C Rebuild Subcommittee

Along with other parents, lobby and work closely with local member NSW MP Brad Hazzard, NSW Department of Education and SINSW representatives, the Northern Beaches Council and mayor, the school principal and the school community to secure land and funding for improvements to school play space for my children's overcrowded school. Co-responsible with President for research, group communications, reports and successful \$70,000 CBP grant.

SECRETARY and COACH 2020-2022

#### Warringah Baseball Club

Assisted with the smooth functioning of the club with administrative tasks, developing club policies, writing website copy, securing sponsorship funding, and communicating regularly with baseball coaches, players and their families, key stakeholders and sponsors. Coached a co-ed team of under-10s players. Baseball Australia Level A Coach (current).

#### **ABORIGINAL SITE MONITOR**

2012-present

# **Aboriginal Heritage Office**

Monitor and report on the condition of allocated Indigenous rock engravings for change, damage and potential risk.

# CHAIRPERSON (2006-7), SECRETARY (2004-5), FESTIVAL COORDINATOR (2004-6)

2004-2007

# RecLink, Inc

On the executive of a network of inner-city Sydney welfare agencies providing educational, recreational and community-building opportunities for Sydney's homeless community. Oversaw the growth, media relations and grants funding for the Sydney Street Choir, Milk Crate Theatre, Street Soccer and Sydney's Homeless Persons' Festival, an annual 30 event celebration with a public art exhibition of clients' work as part of City of Sydney's Art + About festival.

#### PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Barker College provided excellent professional learning opportunities of which the following are but a small sample:

Current	History Teachers' Association of NSW Society + Culture Association membership
Current	First Aid Certificate
2022	The Role of Service Learning run by George Huitker
2022	Moving the Learner Forward run by Dr Jared Cooney Horvath
2021	Youth Mental Health First Aid 2-day accredited course
2019	Understanding and Challenging Gifted Learners 5-day course run by Bronwyn MacLeod
2014	Embedding Formative Assessment 3-day course run by Dylan Wiliam
2010	Teaching for Understanding 1 run by WIDE World, Harvard Graduate School of Education