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Professional Experience

2002 - Present **Suffolk County Community College, NY** - Adjunct Assistant Professor
Fall 2002 PE (Social Dance & Club Dance) to present - PE dept.
- Salsa & Ballroom Campus Dance Club Advisor -

2015 - Present **Suffolk County Community College, NY** - Athletic Dept. - Intramurals
Salsa & Ballroom Dance Intramurals

2007 - Present **Town of Hempstead - Recreation Dept.**, NY - 5 classes/semester
Beginner - Ballroom & Latin (100 -110 adults) 1/semester
Intermediate - Ballroom & Latin (24 - 40 adults) 2/semester
Salsa, Bachata & Merengue (30 - 40 adults) 1/semester
Line Dances -Popular & Country (80 adults) 1/semester

1988 - Present **Independent Dance Teacher, Choreographer, Coach**
Independent Contractor

Suffolk Zone (NYSAHPERD)

10/09 - Suffolk County Community College, NY - Lecturer

"One Vision" - Nassau - Suffolk Zone (NYSAHPERD)

10/04/05 - Hofstra, NY - Lecturer

Star Dust Dance Weekends - Catskill Mts.

Featured Performer & Instructor 2001 - present

Town of Hempstead Recreation Dept - 2007 to present (Adult Recreation)

Line Dance - Beginner - Intermediate - Latin Groups

Port Jefferson Arts Council

Lecturer - Dance Film series (Dirty Dancing - Strictly Ballroom)

"Expanding Horizons" - Suffolk Zone (NYSAHPERD)

10/03/06 - St John's, NY - Lecturer

World Hustle Championships, NJ - 2003 - 08

Judge & Lecturer

Disco America, NJ - 2004 & 2007

Judge & Lecturer

Suffolk County Community College, NY

Guest Lecturer Spring 2002

O'Neils Mid Weeks - Catskill Mts

Featured Performer & Instructor 1999 - 2002

Norwegian Cruise Lines - Enrichment Instructor
Celebrity Cruise Lines - Enrichment Instructor

Studios

Dancin' Time, Smithtown, NY
Swing Street Studios, Farmingdale, NY
Dance Elektra, Centereach, NY
Dance Obsession, Farmingdale, NY
Fred Astaire, Garden City, NY
Ballroom Break, Lewisberry, PA
Dance Odyssey, Selden, NY
New York Express, Selden, NY
Dance New York, New York, NY
Touch Dancing, West Hampton, NY

- 1986 - 1989 **General Science Teacher, Islip School District, Tenured**
Islip, New York. Islip Middle School.
- 1983 - 1985 **Physical Science Teacher - Cooperative Vocational
Academic Education, Head Swim Coach**
Houston Independent School District, Houston, Texas.
Jack Yates High School.
- 1982 - 1983 **Extended Studies: Water Babies, Infant Swim Instructor.**
University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming. (Part-time)
- 1981 - 1983 **Exceptional Children Swim Instructor.**
Albany County School District, Laramie, Wyoming. (Part-time)
- Summer 1981 **Infant Swim and Red Cross Swim Instructor.** Sayville
and 1982 School District, Sayville, New York. (Part-time)
- Summer 1979 **Head Swim Coach, A.A.U. Swim Team,** Rock Springs, Wyoming

Dance Training ----- I am trained in American & International styles in Rhythm & Smooth

<i>Swing/ Jive/ Lindy</i>	<i>Hustle</i>	<i>Tango</i>	<i>Foxtrot</i>
<i>Quickstep</i>	<i>Mambo</i>	<i>Salsa</i>	<i>Waltz</i>
<i>Merengue</i>	<i>Viennese waltz</i>	<i>Rumba</i>	<i>Paso doble</i>
<i>Lift (Adagio) Work</i>	<i>Bolero</i>	<i>Cha cha</i>	<i>Line Dances</i>

Dance Distinctions/Accomplishments

1999	<u>Around The Floor's</u>	1999 Dance Teacher of the Year
2003	<u>Hustle Hall of Fame</u>	Elite Honoree
2005	<u>Hustle Hall of Fame</u>	Honorarium

Competitive Highlights

2000	Hustle USA - Open Cabaret Champion
1992	United States National Championships - Finalist in the Open Theatrical
1991	United States National Championships - Finalist in the Open Theatrical National Rising Star Theatrical Champion
1988 - 1994	6 time American Star Ball - Theatrical Champion 4 Time Zachary's - Show Dance Champion 3 Time Baltimore Invitational - Theatrical Champion Empire State Ballroom Classic - Theatrical Champion Imperial Star Ball - Theatrical Champion New England Imperial - Theatrical Champion New York Dance Festival - Theatrical Champion Imperial Star - Theatrical Champion North Star Ball- Rising Star Theatrical Champion Open Theatrical Champion

Featured Dancer on TV

2001	Public Access - Touch Dancing - Demonstration- Hustle - Fund Raiser
2001	Public Access - Touch Dancing - Demonstration-Hustle
2001	Public Access - Touch Dancing - Demonstration-Cha cha
1995	A&E - American Castles
1992	PBS - Championship Ballroom Dancing = America's Ballroom Challenge
1988 & 90	Connecticut Public Access - Performance - Rocky Hill

Industrials

- Foxwoods Casino High Rollers New Year Eve's Bash for 2001
- General Electric on the Club Med One (Western Caribbean)
- Aetna (Cancun, Mexico)
- Cohen Optical (Acapulco, Mexico)
- Sterling Optical (Acapulco, Mexico)
- Cisco Systems (Boca Raton , FL)
- Ritz Carlton, NYC - 30 year Anniversary

Education

- 2009 - 10 Decided to be Re-certified to teach secondary Biology
Suffolk County Community College (Spanish - 3 credits)
Excelsior College (Literacy Instr in Elementary School - 6 credits)
Workshops - Child Abuse ID & School Violence Intervention & Prevention
- 1990 **State University of New York, Stony Brook, New York**
Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Major CED 1990.
- Fall 1984 University of Houston, Houston, Texas (3 credits)
- Spring 1984 Houston Community College System, Houston, Texas (3 credits)
- 1975 - 1983 **University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming.**
Bachelor of Science in Education Major Secondary Education,
emphasis in Biology and General Science. Graduated 1983

Certification

New York State Certification - Biology updated 6/2010 (expired)
Texas Teacher Certificate - Science, Composite (expired)
Wyoming State Department of Education Standard (expired)
Certificate - Endorsements: General Science,
Biology, Mathematics, Coaching - Swimming and Tennis

College Swim Team Distinctions/Accomplishments

U.W. Swim Team Awards University of Wyoming (NCAA division I) 1975 - 1979

U.W. Swim Team Awards

- 1975-1979 4 year Varsity Letterman
1978-1979 Team Captain
1978-1979 Best Western Athletic Conference Meet
1977-1978 Most Improved
1975-1976 Hardest Worker

Other Certifications

Qualified to coach Swimming and Tennis
Proficient in Web Site Design
Self Taught HTML to compete on-line in business

More Information on Line at:

www.UltimateDanceZone.com - Web Site
www.EleganceOfDance.com
www.NationalBallroomProject.com

Professional References

Mr Chris Cosenza - Professor - Academic Chair / Physical Education

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Mr Art Deluca - Professor Physical Education

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Ms Pamela Frazier, MS, MPA - Adjunct Professor, Dietetic Technician Program

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Mr David E Goldberg, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry

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