



- EDITING
- GHOSTWRITING
- ONLINE INSTRUCTION
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- TUTORING
- ESSAY FUNDAMENTALS
- RESEARCH METHODS
- ARGUMENT
- CRITICAL THINKING
- LITERACY
- NUANCES
- PROFESSIONAL WRITING
- LITERATURE
- COLLEGE TEST PREP
- COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

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"The true alchemists
do not change lead
into gold; they change
the world into words."

~William H. Gass



Vera L. Austin

- * English Professor (Remote) * Editor * Newsletter Creator/Editor
- * Ghostwriter * Writing Coach * Personal Tutor
- * Specially Designed Workshops

Areas of Expertise:

- Online Instruction
- Editing
- Helping Writers Define Their Voice and Message
- Establishing Rapport with Online Students through Humor and Voice
- Emphasizing Nuances of Voice in Writing
- Development of Students into Academics and Critical Thinkers
- Development of Ideas into Stories

Professional Experience:

- ▶ Writing Coach/Ghost Writer/Copy Editor *Against All Odds*
Winner Parent & Teacher Gold Medal - How to Learn.com;
Winner Mom's Choice Awards - Momschoiceawards.com;
Honorable Mention/Education - readerviews.com;
4.8/5.0 - IndieReader.com
- ▶ Creator/Editor *UMGC Adjunct Faculty Newsletter*
- ▶ Editor Approx. *12,000 Student Essays*
- ▶ Associate Professor, English, UMGC 5 Yrs to Present
 - Advanced Research Writing
- ▶ 3-Year Contract Lecturer - CSULB 10 Yrs
 - Beginning / Advanced Composition
 - Writing Skills
 - Literature & Composition
 - Technical / Professional Writing
 - Exploring Children's Writing (K-12 Teacher Prep)
 - Adolescent Literature
 - Evaluating Literacy (K-12 Teacher Prep)
- ▶ Lecturer - Long Beach City College 5 Yrs
 - Composition
 - Composition and Critical Thinking
- ▶ Lecturer - DeVry University Long Beach 10 Yrs
 - Beginning / Advanced Composition
 - Professional Writing
 - Literature
 - Speech
 - Critical Thinking

Achievements:

- Founder of *Adventure in Writing*, featuring tutoring, workshops and camps, grades 3 – 12
- Ghostwriter/Editor Award Winning *Against All Odds*
- Creator / Editor *UMGC Adjunct Faculty Association Newsletter*
- *Proficient in a variety of LMS' and diversity within classroom*

Education:

- California State University, Long Beach: *Master's Degree* (English Lit)
- California State University, Chico: *Bachelor of Arts Degree* (Creative Writing)

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