

## **Chris Osmond**

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English (native), Spanish (fluent), he/him

### **Skills**

- Foundation of **exceptional teaching** of elementary, middle, and high independent school students
- Seasoned **administrative acumen** and **high-touch facility** in community building
- Institutional **diversity, equity, and inclusion** efforts that yield hearts-and-minds results
- **Hiring, training, mentoring, and evaluating teachers** toward a transformed school culture
- **Curriculum development, assessment, and evaluation** as engine of growth
- **Strategic planning** and cultivation of **stakeholder buy-in** for new initiatives
- Direction of **accreditation** processes as authentic institutional evolution

### **Education**

B.A., Spanish and English

- **Wesleyan University**
- Middletown CT, 1993

Klingenstein Summer Institute

- **Teachers College, Columbia University**
- New York NY, 1995

M.A., Curriculum Studies and Teacher Education

- School of Education, **Stanford University**
- Stanford CA, 2000

Ph.D., Culture, Curriculum, and Change

- School of Education, **The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**
- Chapel Hill NC, 2006

### **Independent School Experience**

**Beauvoir, The National Cathedral Elementary School**, Washington DC, 1993-1995

- Teacher, elementary music, drama, movement

**The Field School**, Washington DC, 1993-1999

- Teacher, middle and high school Spanish, English, drama, music, jazz band, creative writing
- Assistant to Dean of Faculty in charge of new teacher onboarding and mentoring

**Carolina Friends School**, Chapel Hill NC, 2000-2002

- Teacher, elementary music, drama, movement

**Triangle Day School**, Durham NC, 2001-2002

- Teacher, middle grades English and music

**The River Rock School on the Haw**, Saxapahaw NC, 2008-2009

- Teacher, elementary Spanish

## **Leadership Experience**

**Associate Director**, Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership, 2018-present

**Professor**, Leadership & Educational Studies, 2010-present

Reich College of Education, Appalachian State University, Boone NC

- Highly-effective teacher in North Carolina's most respected school of education
- Co-leading program of 100+ students across face-to-face and online settings
- Creating strategic partnerships across campus to support program needs
- Leading diversity, equity, and inclusion transformation in program DNA

**Academic Dean**, Jung Tao School of Classical Chinese Medicine, Sugar Grove NC, 2015-present

- Mentoring and support of teaching faculty, in both f2f and COVID distance learning
- Strategic visioning and messaging of school values and priorities
- Leadership of accreditation efforts and curriculum mapping projects
- Administration of curriculum assessment and faculty evaluation systems

**Clinical Assistant Professor**, Department of Elementary Education, 2002-2009

University of North Carolina Chapel Hill School of Education, Chapel Hill NC

- Teaching of literature in the elementary and middle grades and seminar in arts and creativity

**Administrator and Curriculum Consultant**, 2008-2009

The River Rock School on the Haw, Saxapahaw NC

- Development of constructivist elementary curriculum, administration of budget, payroll, compliance

**Curriculum Developer and Facilitator**, School Attuned

All Kinds of Minds, Chapel Hill, NC 2003-2005

- Creation and support of nationally-administered forty-hour neurodiversity professional development

## **Recent DEI and Community Building Projects**

- Co-Creator of Winston-Salem State University / Appalachian State Education Social Justice Partnership  
<https://today.appstate.edu/2019/08/20/social-justice>
- Organizer, Black Minds Matter: A Focus on Black Boys and Men in Education  
<https://honors.appstate.edu/black-minds-matter-focus-black-boys-and-men-education>
- Co-Convener of school-wide teach-ins on Teacher, Guns, and Safety, LGBTQ+ Safety in NC Public Schools, and observance of Fiftieth Anniversary of the Integration of North Carolina Public Schools

## **Selected Honors**

- Nominee, North Carolina Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2020
- Education Policy Fellows Program, Institute for Educational Leadership, 2018-2019
- Academic Leadership Development Program, Appalachian State University, 2016-2017
- Outstanding Professor, Reich College of Education, 2016
- Faculty Member of the Year, The Honors College, Appalachian State University, 2016

## **Other Activities**

- I am a singer, a drummer, and a clarinetist; a juggler, a runner, a husband, and father of three boys.