## AMANDA M. LEVIN

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## **SKILLS**

- Highly skilled in centering student voice as a strategy for supporting teaching, learning, and writing
- Highly skilled in college list building with wide ranging knowledge of colleges and universities
- Highly skilled with application platforms: Common App, UCAS, StudieLink, OCA, Scoir, Apply UC
- Highly skilled in interdisciplinary project planning and organization, UBD, collaborative teaching
- Skilled communicator; Spanish proficient

### **EXPERIENCE**

June 2017 - Present

#### Amanda Levin: Creative Educational Solutions

Comprehensive university guidance

University admissions and careers consultant, delivering specialized, on-demand guidance for students navigating international admissions—both for U.S. students seeking opportunities abroad and for international students (specializing in applicants from the USA/Hong Kong/MENA) seeking international opportunities. I provide support to first time freshman applicants and transfer students at the undergraduate level, and students seeking graduate and professional degrees.

#### August 2023 - August 2025 Assistant Headteacher University & Careers Counselling

Modern English School Cairo, Cairo, Egypt

As the inaugural University & Careers Counselor at the school, I oversee secondary school guidance (grades 7-12), developing and implementing comprehensive career and university support. Offering personalized guidance, I helped our students not only secure university placements but also align their academic pathways with future career goals. In my first year, 100% of our students submitted university applications, and over 90% received offers from one of their top three choices.

Responsibilities beyond direct university application support:

- Family outreach via formal presentations and in-person meetings
- Creation & delivery of tailored curricula and student presentations on career options
- Support and training for teachers
- UCAS site adviser, Unifrog coordinator, Slate profile manager, NCAA portal manager
- Organized all university visits to our campus; student visits to local campuses

### July 2018 - July 2022

# Humanities Dept Lead, College & Academic Advisor, Social Sciences Teacher

Leadership High School, San Francisco, CA

As the primary college advisor to two student cohorts, designed a curriculum to support the 80% firstgen student population. Organized college tours for our students and facilitated student planning meetings with families. As department lead, coached a group of seven teachers in curriculum, classroom management, and distance learning strategies. Mentored teachers through California credential process; supervised TFA candidates. Served on the Instructional Lead Team to support school leadership in decision making and development of school culture.

#### Jul 2017 - July 2018

#### Middle School Lead Educator (L3)

AltSchool, San Francisco, CA

Core Humanities Teacher (ELA & Social Studies) for grades 7-8 in a small, independent TK-8 school. Within the AltSchool system each school fostered personalized learning in small environments geared toward a whole-child, personalized approach to education fostering student agency focused on design thinking, social-emotional learning, and outdoor exploration. Tasked with collaboratively developing existing technology to grow and expand the potential of the AltSchool model. Supported all students with applications to San Francisco High Schools.

Aug 2011 - Jun 2017 Senior Team Co-lead, Social Studies Instructor, Senior Internship Coordinator

Arts & Humanities Academy, Berkeley High School, Berkeley, CA

Sophomore and senior Social Studies instructor for one of four SLC's within Berkeley High School, coordinator for the AHA senior professional internship program. Highlights include revamping the internship program and curriculum, a portfolio-based program based on professional internship

experience. Integral in design of the academic capstone projects.

Aug 2010 - Aug 2011 **English and Humanities Teacher** 

Albany High School, Albany, CA

Teaching assignments included AP Literature and English 1. Freshman Debate PBL Lead for the freshman cohort. Supported student research, drafting of speeches, and public speaking.

Aug 2006 - Apr 2010 Head of English and Humanities, University Application Lead

NTK Learning Center, Hong Kong, S.A.R., PRC

Teaching assignments included: all Social Studies courses offered in the AP, IB and A-Levels curricula; AP Literature; AP Language and Composition; IB English; IB History; SAT/ACT preparation; College essays; College interview preparation for international school students with an interest in attending college in the US/UK.

University Consultant, AP, IB, Cambridge CIE Tutor Aug 2005 - Aug 2006

Private Tutor, Hong Kong, S.A.R., PRC

Working with local and international students in Hong Kong, China, and Thailand in school and home settings. Grade levels ranged from elementary to university and subjects spanned all of the humanities, English and writing, including college and graduate school applications.

World Geography, American History, American Government Teacher Jul 2002 - Aug 2005

Head Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach

Sparks High School, Sparks, NV

Jul 1999 - Jul 2002 Social Studies Department Chair, Head Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach

Incline High School, Incline Village, NV

Aug 1996 - Jul 1999 Social Sciences Teacher, Assistant Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach

Procter R. Hug High School, Reno, NV

### **EDUCATION**

The British Council UK Certified Counsellor, University Agent & Counsellor Certification, 2025

Times Higher Education Level 2 Accredited Counsellor, College & Careers Counselling Accreditation, 2025

UC Berkeley Extension, College Admissions and Career Planning Certificate, 2022

Svyasa Yoga University, Karnataka, India Yoga Studies and Teaching Certificate, June 2010

Global TESOL College USA, San Diego TESOL Certificate, August 2005

University of Nevada, Reno MS Geography, May 2003

San Francisco State University Secondary Ed. Single Subject Credential, Social Studies, June 1996

University of California, San Diego BA History, June 1993

#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

NACAC, International ACAC, NAFSA, IECA Associate Member, British Council, Times Higher Education CAP Level 2, HECA, National Council for Social Studies, National Council for Geographic Education, National Federation of High School Sports, California Interscholastic Federation, Yoga Alliance Certified Instructor (200).

REFERENCES: Available on request