

TIMOTHY HABICK

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ♦ Provided forensic linguistic analysis of news reports and other communications and in assessment of violations of legal, ethical, and professional standards. Provided forensic linguistic services for case evaluations, analyses and reports, discovery assistance, and testimony. (Assumed ownership of Media Analysis & Communications Research after Dr. Lashner's death in 2010.) 2011—Defamation (plaintiff) work for the law firms of Pisanelli-Bice and Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick; Analysis of the phrase *the great white hope* for a case involving a claim that the term constitutes a racist slur. Testified for the defense in *United States of America v. Tyshon Bey*, U.S. District Court, Trenton, New Jersey. 2012.
- ♦ Extensive test development experience in a wide variety of testing programs, including the GRE, GMAT, TOEFL, PAEG, LSAT, K-12, GED, Praxis, BPI, Global Competence Assessment, the Uniform CPA Examination. Currently working on green-energy certifications as well as child care certification exams.
- ♦ Wrote a manual for the development of analytical reasoning test questions that helped standardize item development practice for the GRE and the LSAT. Also developed a special LSAT Study Guide, for LSAC's Skills Readiness Inventory.
- ♦ Provided test-preparation seminars for the GRE program for many years at dozens of locations in the United States, in Puerto Rico, and internationally; specialized in explaining computer-adaptive testing to the general public, both in written and spoken communications.
- ♦ Produced content for official test preparation study guides and software programs for the GRE General Test, the Praxis Speech-Language Pathology Test, the Audiology Test, and the GRE General Test.
- ♦ Monitored and analyzed Internet communications, especially those originating in Asian countries, for test-security purposes. Worked with ETS lawyers to develop an ultimately successful copyright infringement case against a major test coaching school. Provided deposition testimony related to the development of the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) General Test. Lectured on the principles of standardized test development for international audiences for the ETS Global Institute, at AICPA, and for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.
- ♦ Led a World Bank project to improve standardized testing in Moldova, 2007.

EXPERIENCE

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| 2000 – present | President, Reasoning, Inc. (Test Development Services) |
| 2010 – present | President, Media Analysis & Communications Research |
| 1987 – 2000 | Assessment Specialist III (Senior Examiner, Reasoning Group Leader Senior Examiner, Examiner, Associate Examiner), Reasoning Group, Assessment Division, Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ |
| 1984 – 1986 | Foreign Expert - Tianjin Normal University, China Linguistics, English; M.A. Thesis Direction |
| 1981– 1984 | Assistant Professor - Temple University |

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EDUCATION

Degree Programs

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|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| University of Illinois Urbana | 1971-75 1976-80 | Ph.D. | Linguistics |
| La Salle College Philadelphia | 1967-71 | B.A. (maxima cum laude) | French Language and Literature |

Non-Degree Programs

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|---|------------|--|---|
| Nankai University Tianjin, China | 1984-86 | | Chinese Language |
| Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge | 1982 | | Summer Program in Speech Spectrogram Reading |
| The Barnes Foundation Merion, PA | 1981-82 | | First-year course in Art |
| Temple University Philadelphia | 1968, 1971 | | Courses in Spanish, Romance Linguistics |
| The Experiment in International Living | 1970 | | Carnac, France Residency |

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

LINGUISTICS COURSES TAUGHT (g = graduate level; u = undergraduate)

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Introduction to Linguistics, (u, g) | Acoustic Phonetics (g) |
| American Dialectology (u) | Phonology (g) |
| Sociolinguistics (g) | The Grammars of English (u) |
| History of the English Language (u) | Traditional Grammar (u) |

ENGLISH AND HUMANITIES COURSES TAUGHT

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| Business Writing (u) | Elements of Art (u) |
| Composition (g, u) | The Ancient World (u) |
| ESL (Princeton-in-Asia Program) (u) | Writing Clinic (u) |

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PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

"Does Your Examination Communicate Cooperatively?" Wild and Associates, Inc., 2010

<http://www.wildandassociates.com/free-articles/does-your-examination-communicate-cooperatively/>

"Testing Diverse Populations," American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Meeting, San Diego, April 2004

"Item Variants in Computer-Based Tests," American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Meeting, Montreal, April 1999.

"Farmer City, Illinois: Sound Systems Shifting South," in Heartland English, ed. T. Frazer (University: University of Alabama Press) 1998

"Burnouts Versus Rednecks: Effects of Group Membership on the Phonemic System," in New Ways of Analyzing Sound Change, ed. P. Eckert (New York: Academic Press, 1991)

HONORS

"List of Excellent Teachers" based on student evaluations, University of Illinois. (1978)

Awarded a National Defense Education Act, Title IV, Fellowship in Linguistics, University of Illinois. (1971-1974)

Daniel Bernian Award ("Most Distinguished Student in Foreign Languages"), La Salle College. (1971)

Pi Delta Phi, National French Honor Society, La Salle College. Served as President of Alpha Psi Chapter. (1970-1971)

Alpha Epsilon Alumni Honor Society, La Salle College. (1971)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Dialect Society (ADS)

International Association of Forensic Linguists (IAFL)