

Alexey Root
Interdisciplinary Studies
Teacher Development Center
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Educational History:

B.A.in History, *cum laude*, 1983, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA

Ph.D., 1999, University of California, Los Angeles, Education
Instructional discourse and learning opportunities in three Advanced Placement United States history classrooms, Jeannie Oakes and Megan Franke, Committee Co-Chairs

Employment History – principal positions since the Bachelor’s degree:

Senior Lecturer I, 1999-present, UT Dallas

Graduate Student Researcher, 1989-1992, National Center for History in the Schools, University of California, Los Angeles

Teacher, 1987-1989, Bakersfield High School, Bakersfield, California, 1987-1989

Professional recognitions and honors (study, teaching, research, service):

Special Services Award, August 9, 2008, United States Chess Federation

Presidential Volunteer Service Award, Bronze Level (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014)

Professional memberships:

United States Chess Federation (USCF), 1975-present, past Chair and current member of the USCF Women’s Chess Committee and of the USCF’s Chess in Education Committee

Achievements in original investigation:

Books authored or co-authored, etc.:

Root, Alexey. 2006. *Children and chess: A guide for educators*. Westport, CT: Teacher Ideas Press.

Root, Alexey. 2008. *Science, math, checkmate: 32 chess activities for inquiry and problem solving*. Westport, CT: Teacher Ideas Press.

Root, Alexey. 2009. *Read, write, checkmate: Enrich literacy with chess activities*. Westport, CT: Teacher Ideas Press.

Root, Alexey. 2010. *People, places, checkmates: Teaching social studies with chess*. Santa Barbara, CA: Teacher Ideas Press.

Root, Alexey. 2011. *The living chess game: Fine arts activities for kids 9-14*. Santa Barbara, CA: Libraries Unlimited.

Root, Alexey. 2012. *Thinking with chess: Teaching children ages 5-14*. Newton Highlands, MA: Mongoose Press.

Books edited or co-edited, exhibitions curated, etc.:

Sherman, Laura and Kilpatrick, Bill. 2012. *Chess is Child's Play: Teaching Techniques that Work*. Newton Highlands, MA: Mongoose Press (2012). [Editor: Alexey W. Root]

Heisman, Dan. 2009. *The Improving Chess Thinker*. Newton Highlands, MA: Mongoose Press. [Editor: Alexey W. Root].

Articles in refereed journals, juried exhibition entries, theatrical productions, etc.:

Root, Alexey W. 2010. "Raising Merit: Parenting Tips." *Tempo* 30(2): 34-36.

Root, Alexey W. 2009. "Checkmating Advisory and Summer Boredom." *Tempo* 29(2): 10-14.

Root Alexey W. 2009. "Chess for your students, even if you don't play." *Tempo* 29(4): 40-42.

External funding for original investigations:

(list in chronological order within each separate subsection; omit this section if not pertinent)

Grants/contracts awarded:

Course Development Contract (for Chess and Education Online Courses)

Principal investigator Tim Redman, Co-PI Alexey Root

UT Telecampus

Grant period was calendar 2001 plus summer of 2002 for revision, \$50,000.

Teacher Education Sessions (at the Second Koltanowski International Conference on Chess and Education)

Grant applicant was Alexey Root

Texas Chess Association, November 18-19, 2011, \$5,000.

Teaching:

Classroom teaching:

2015, spring, 4358, Using Chess in Elementary Schools

2015, spring, 4359, Using Institutional & Cultural Contexts of Chess

Narrative for prior semesters (before spring 2015, when graduate courses ED 5344 and ED 5345 were discontinued):

In the fall of 2001, the Chess in Education Courses launched, with three-credit undergraduate and graduate courses offered. I have been teaching the "Chess in the Classroom I: Elementary" (ED 4358 and ED 5344) courses in the sequence since 2001. I began teaching both courses (ED 4359 and ED 5345) of

“Chess II: Institutional and Cultural Contexts of Chess” in the fall of 2007 and continue to also teach both Chess I courses. Since the fall of 2010, the courses have been offered through UT Dallas eLearning.

Service – reviewing, refereeing and administrative work with professional societies and organizations (e.g. editorship, associate editorship, officer, etc.); departmental, college, university committees; community service, etc.:

SAGE Open Editorial Board (2015-present)

Article Editor, SAGE Open (2015); Book Reviewer, SAGE Publications (2011)

Advisory Board, *Journal of Chess Research* (2014-present)

Book reviewer, *Library Media Connection*, (2012-2014)