

Howdy!

My name is Nicola Ritter and I will be the co-instructor for this course. I like to say I'm an Aggie³ because I have earned all three of my degrees at Texas A&M University- College Station, all of which were in education-related fields (e.g., BS in Interdisciplinary Studies - Mathematics/Science, MEd in Curriculum & Instruction, PhD in Educational Psychology).

On a professional note, I have over 10 years of varied experience in public schools, educational publishing, and educational technology research. I have taught middle school science to graduate school statistics. I have also managed and developed multi-million dollar educational software programs. At times, I feel like a jack-of-many-trades but a master of none. I enjoy learning which compliments my research endeavors nicely. I am also involved with various research endeavors, and I am always looking for something else to explore. To learn more about recent publications, please check out my website at: http://tamu.academia.edu/NicolaRitter

On a personal note, the best part of me is my high school sweetheart and husband of 9 years. I'm originally from a small east Texas town called Carthage. We have had many famous people from my hometown, such as Jim Reeves and Tex Ritter (and yes, we're kin). For hobbies, I enjoy crocheting, reading, cooking, and watching television shows. Some of my favorites include: Halt & Catch Fire, The Big Bang Theory, The Walking Dead, Duck Dynasty, Turn, and The Middle.

I hope you have a great learning experience from this VICP course. Please do not hesitate to contact me via the Forum: Questions for Instructors. It's the fastest way to get a hold of me.

