

Dr. Mark Gudgel is an eighteen-year veteran of teaching English, Humanities, and Genocide Studies in the public schools. Presently, he serves as assistant professor of education at the College of Saint Mary in Omaha. Gudgel is a fellow of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, The Imperial War Museum, and Fund For Teachers, as well as a Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching recipient; in each instance his work focused on various aspects of Holocaust and genocide education. Gudgel spent six years working for the USHMM as a member of the Regional Education Corps. He co-founded the Educators Institute for Human Rights with his colleague, Drew Beiter, and served as the organization's executive director for six years. In addition to teaching, Gudgel advocates for teachers on a local and state level and serves on numerous boards of directors, working to raise money for charities that support education and underrepresented populations. Gudgel's book on teaching about the Holocaust, *Think Higher Feel Deeper: Holocaust education in the secondary classroom*, was released from Teachers College Press in 2021. His forthcoming book, *The Rise of Napa Valley Wineries: How the Judgment of Paris put California wine on the map*, focuses on the wine industry and issues that surround it. Presently, Gudgel's research centers around documenting and preserving Sarajevo Roses, primary resources from the Siege of Sarajevo, and how teachers around the United States teach about genocide. When he isn't working, Gudgel runs marathons, writes for numerous periodicals and publications, and plays board games with his family. He lives in Omaha with his wife, Sonja, and their children, Titus and Zooey.