



I am The ROCK

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Job: Associate professor of biology

Started at SRU: 2000.

Background: My parents emigrated from the Czech Republic when the Russians came with their tanks in 1968. They moved to Australia and started a successful children's puppetry troupe, which I performed in as a child. I then went to the University of Adelaide, initially as a French major, only to change midstream to zoology and histology, the study of tissues. I completed an honor's degree and doctorate at the department of anatomy and histology at Adelaide University. I completed a three-year, post-doctoral experience at the department of anatomy at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine before I came here to SRU.

Interests: I read novels, but mostly I spend time with my son. I am quite knowledgeable about superheroes – Batman is the coolest – Scooby Doo and the Berenstain Bears.

Person I would most like to have dinner with: Michael Palin, the English actor and comedian of Monty Python fame. He's a hoot and a great conversationalist, well travelled too.

Why I work at the Rock: Most of my doctoral and post-doctoral teaching experiences were with medical, dental and various health future professionals. SRU was the only liberal arts college that I interviewed for – the rest were all various medical schools – and I found the attitude here refreshing. I can teach students about science and how it works, and not just disseminate information.

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