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Biography

Gale Parchoma is an instructional designer at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon, Canada, where she is working on the Campus Saskatchewan Technology Enhanced Learning initiative. She is also a tutor for the *Writing Effectively for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees* course, administered by the Commonwealth of Learning. Prior to September 2002, Gale worked as a course designer at British Columbia's Open Learning Agency (OLA) for three years. At OLA, Gale's work focused on the creation of Retrievable Learning Objects and the design of Web-based distributed learning environments. During the year before Gale began work at OLA, she worked as a researcher for the British Columbia's Ministry of Education. This research involved discovering the essential features required to support high school students in Web-based learning environments.

Gale holds a Master of Arts in Education degree, from the University of Victoria, a Bachelor of Education degree and a Bachelor of Arts (Honors) degree from the University of Saskatchewan. She is currently working toward a doctoral degree. Her research interests include learner-centered instructional design and the impact of technology enhanced learning initiatives on the organizational structures of traditional universities.