

Chris Palmer

4214 SE 26th Ave
Portland, OR 97202

palmer0020@gmail.com

PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Teaching Assistant

2011 – 2013

Simon Fraser University - Department of Philosophy, Burnaby, BC

- Develop, plan, and lead weekly tutorials focused on highlighting and clarifying critical ideas discussed in course lectures.
 - Present material in fresh and interesting ways to elucidate conceptual difficulties and encourage discussion of philosophical theories and ideas.
 - Generate lesson plans focused upon analysis and application of philosophical ideas.
 - Provide active classroom environment for learning along with attending to the educational needs of individual students.
- Assist students in developing writing, critical thinking, analytical, and argumentative skills through dynamic instruction and constructive feedback on essays and course assignments.
- Be responsible for grading and returning student assignments within a reasonable time-frame.

Project Coordinator/Student Co-Director

2008 – 2011

Center for Gender Equity, Forest Grove, OR

- Coordinate and execute programs to educate the student population of Pacific University and the general Forest Grove community about a wide spectrum of issues regarding gender and sexuality.
 - Oversee projects from their initial conceptualization through to the actual execution of the program itself.
 - Projects include panel discussions, evening speaker series, theatrical productions, academic conferences, and student discussion groups.
- Function both within teams and autonomously to achieve particular objectives necessary to successfully complete programs.
- Chair staff meetings and ensure that programs are developed within their respective deadlines.

Writing Consultant

2009 – 2011

Writing Resource Center, Forest Grove, OR

- Assist undergraduate students at Pacific University with improving their writing abilities to meet expected academic standards.
 - Provide feedback aimed at improving writing structure and mechanics as well as ensuring essays have a smooth, logical flow.
 - Communicate comments with students in a Socratic manner to cultivate individual writing and editing abilities.
- Promote the services of the Center to undergraduate writing courses.

Board Member/Co-Chair

2009 – 2011

Peer Review Board, Forest Grove, OR

- Attend and conduct weekly meetings for the Peer Review Board, an organization at Pacific University where a student board hears cases of Housing policy and code of conduct violations.
 - Determine if students are in violation of such policies by analyzing testimony, examining incident reports, and questioning accused students.

- Develop creative sanctions to educate students about Pacific University's policies in place of giving merely punitive measures for those found in violation.
- As Co-Chair, oversee and preside over weekly meetings to ensure students' rights are respected and that hearings are conducted in an efficient manner.
- Assist in annual revisions of Housing policies to eliminate ambiguities and refine current codes.
- Recruit and oversee the hiring process of new Board Members.
- Coordinate and manage annual training of Board Members.

Voyage Leader

2010

Pacific Outback, Forest Grove, OR

- Organize and lead 3 – 4 day excursion through the Oregon Wilderness for incoming undergraduates to Pacific University.
- Prepare activities to promote resiliency and leadership skills within an outdoor setting.

EDUCATION

Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC

Master's Degree in Philosophy, 2013

Pacific University, Forest Grove, OR

Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy, 2011, *Magna Cum Laude*

AWARDS, HONORS, AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Outstanding Student in Philosophy (Pacific University) – 2011

Center for Gender Equity Service Award (Pacific University) – 2011

Boxer Spirit Award (Pacific University) – 2009, 2010

Leadership Award (Pacific University) – 2009, 2010

American Philosophical Association

2011 – Present

Graduate Student Society (Simon Fraser University)

Philosophy Graduate Caucus Representative

2011 – 2013

Teaching Support Staff Union (Simon Fraser University)

2011 – 2013

REFERENCES

Prof. Dai Heide

MA Supervisor/Teaching Assistant Supervisor (4 Semesters)

778-782-4806

dheide@sfu.ca

Prof. Martha Rampton

Director of the Center for Gender Equity

503-352-2772

ramptonm@pacificu.edu

Prof. Brent Johnson

Director of Pacific University's Writing Resource Center

503-352-3035

john0857@pacificu.edu

Prof. David Boersema

Undergraduate Advisor

503-352-2150

boersema@pacifiu.edu