

COLIN MICHAEL BROWNLIE

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Pedagogy nerd fascinated by learning, and how to make it efficient, lasting, and meaningful. Instructional coach and IB MYP English Language & Literature teacher with experience delivering Common Core and Cambridge curricula. Six years in international education in Hanoi, consistently exceeding MAP growth targets with multilingual learners. As a coach, I support teachers every way I can, from modeling teaching techniques, to professional development sessions that are actually useful, to building custom digital tools that solve real classroom problems.

EXPERIENCE

The Dewey Schools THT | Hanoi, Vietnam | January 2021 – Present

IB MYP Language & Literature Teacher & Homeroom Teacher (February 2025 – Present)

- Designing and teaching MYP curriculum in Grades 6, 7, and 9, differentiating for a multilingual student body
- Grade 7 students achieved 243% of projected growth in MAP Language Usage and 162% in Reading (Fall 24–25), with 74% meeting or exceeding individual growth targets in Language Usage
- Co-authored MYP-to-DP skills alignment roadmap to support vertical program continuity
- Deputy Safeguarding Lead, leading investigations and supporting staff and student wellbeing (August 2024 – Present)

Instructional Coach, Middle & High School (August 2022 – February 2025)

(Concurrent with Humanities teaching)

- Coached middle and high school teachers across disciplines on differentiation, assessment design, and classroom management
- Delivered professional development across K–12 on AI integration, cognitive load theory, and positive discipline
- Developed custom digital tools using Google Apps Script to streamline teacher workflows, including automated report card commenting, behavior tracking systems, and parent communication tools
- Co-developed initial special educational needs framework including individualized learning plans
- Contributed to school's ongoing CIS accreditation self-study

Humanities & Social Studies Teacher & Homeroom Teacher (January 2021 – February 2025)

- Taught Social Studies and Humanities across Grades 6–10, adapting Common Core curriculum for Vietnamese learners
- Consistently exceeded projected MAP Language Usage growth, achieving 246–265% of projected growth across testing periods (Spring 2023–2024); 69% of students met or exceeded individual growth targets year-over-year
- Taught IELTS preparation classes and administered mock speaking examinations (2022–2025)
- Founded English Club (2023-current) providing foundational English support for students needing additional language development
- Initiated creative writing club using SRSD methodology for middle school students

United Nations International School (UNIS) | Hanoi, Vietnam | October 2019 – May 2020

Student Teacher, IB MYP Individuals & Societies

- Delivered lessons, developed assignments, and collaborated with mentor teachers on assessment and unit planning in an IB MYP setting

Atlantic Education Group | Hanoi, Vietnam | June 2019 – December 2020

English Language Teacher

- Delivered Cambridge GCSE ESL curriculum to 100+ secondary students in Hanoi public schools
- Taught EFL across education levels from primary to university, including IELTS exam preparation
- Designed courses, assessments, and rubrics independently

Language Link Academic | Hanoi, Vietnam | June 2018 – June 2019

Teacher, EFL

- Taught English to learners ranging from age 6 to adults, designing lesson plans independently for receptive and productive language skills

Shmoop.com | Mountain View, California | May 2014 – November 2017

Content Writer

- Wrote and structured scripts for educational video courses in science, supplementing middle and high school curricula
- Collaborated with editors and animators to produce engaging educational content

EDUCATION

Master of Arts, American History (Expected: August 2026)

Gettysburg College – Gilder Lehrman Institute

Master of Education | 2022

Waldorf University

Bachelor of Arts, Radio-Television-Film | 2017

University of Texas, Austin

TEACHING LICENSES (FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION)

- Social Science, 6–12
- English, 6–12

CERTIFICATIONS

- Child Protection Foundation | CIS | October 2025
- Interdisciplinary Teaching and Learning in the MYP (Cat. 2) | IBO | July 2025
- MYP Language and Literature (Cat. 1) | IBO | March 2025
- Instructional Coaching: The First 90 Days | Radical Learners | June 2023
- CELTA | Cambridge | June 2018

REFERENCES

Available on request