I have been an Instructor, Teaching Assistant and Tutor for Oregon State University, Linn Benton Community College and Oregon State University Athletics. The students I have worked with have come from a rich and diverse background spanning many countries, languages, races and religions. I think that my foremost philosophy is to treat everyone with respect and dignity. I was honored to be able to work with so many different students and have never encountered any difficulties at all.

One area that I have worked on in my classes is that I strive to get students to interact outside of their normal comfort zones. Often I have noticed a comfort zone is the same seat next to someone that looks and dresses much like them. I also notice that right at the beginning the class can be rigid and quiet as students are unaware what to expect. How, I have helped is almost everyday we will have activities (even short ones) where they work with new and different members of the class. After the first week the classroom quickly becomes a warm and welcoming environment.

Working in Student Life I learned a lot about issues related to diversity.