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EDUCATION

Master's of Science in Education

May 2017

Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA

Certification: *Pennsylvania Teaching Certification in Reading Specialist K-12*

Bachelor of Arts in English, Summa cum Laude

May 2015

Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA

Certification: *Pennsylvania Teaching Certification in English 7-12*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

English Teacher

Father Judge High School, Philadelphia, PA

August 2015 – present

- Teach and design the curriculum for 9th grade English college preparatory and special education courses as a teaching fellow through the Alliance for Catholic Education at Saint Joseph's University
- Develop and implement units on a wide range of topics in literature, writing, grammar, and vocabulary based on the Understanding by Design method and Common Core state standards
- Implement creative and effective technology-based lessons in a 1:1 device school. Utilize Chromebooks, iPads, Schoology, and Google Classroom to provide differentiated instruction
- Teach a daily resource room class for 9th grade special needs students. Instruct students in proper study skills and provide tutoring and academic monitoring in all subject areas
- Serve as an assistant teacher in the Brisson Center for Academic Excellence, tutoring special needs students in grades 9-12 in all subject areas. Create and implement supplemental lessons in study skills

Reading Specialist Practicum Intern

June 2016 – August 2016

Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA

- Instructed a small group of middle-school aged students using research based reading strategies in the interactive constructivist educational philosophy in an intensive program
- Taught a novel at students' reading frustration level, using scaffolding strategies to aid comprehension
- Incorporated lessons on informational reading and writing, peer discussions, vocabulary, and skill development
- Collected assessment data and monitored progress of students. Students showed average gains in comprehension of 21.5% points, or one full grade level, during six weeks of instruction

Student Teacher

September 2014 - December 2014

Perkiomen Valley High School, Collegeville, PA

- Taught 10th grade English college preparatory and honors level courses, including Keystone Exam preparation
- Developed and implemented units on short stories, poetry, vocabulary, the writing process, and novels

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Writing Center Tutor

January 2012 – May 2015

Center for Writing and Speaking, Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA

- Conferenced with students individually to develop arguments, strengthen content, and proofread for errors

Student Learning Consultant

January 2013 – May 2015

Teaching and Learning Initiative, Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA

- Observed classes and worked with faculty members to implement new ideas for effective instruction
- Selected by faculty advisor to help initiate a student consultancy program at Lingnan University in Hong Kong

Summer Fellow Researcher

May 2014 – August 2014

Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA

- Produced and presented a paper analyzing 4 Jean Rhys novels and incorporating feminist and political scholarship