

Alyson H. Luscher

Education

East Stroudsburg University, East Stroudsburg, PA

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

Double Major: **Secondary Education and History**

GPA: 3.5 - Cum Laude

Holy Family University, Philadelphia, PA

Special Education Certification

GPA: 4.0

Awards and Honors

Academic Dean's List

Fall 2006—Spring 2010

Natalie Dunning Scholarship

Fall 2006—Spring 2010

Kappa Delta Pi, international honor society in education

Fall 2008—Spring 2010

Professional experience

August 2012-Present

Tacony Academy Charter School, Philadelphia, Pa

AP Psychology and U.S History Teacher

- Differentiate student instruction based on individual needs
- Prepare Psychology students for the College board AP exam
- Working collaboratively with other teachers and professionals to create effective lessons that met the learning needs and abilities of all students.
- Leadership roles: 10th grade advisor, Honor Society panel, Sophomore Dance Committee Chair, Graduation committee, Model UN Advisor, Ring Ceremony Committee

October 2011-June 2012

Central Bucks South High School, Warrington, Pa

Special Education Assistant

- Adapting classroom activities, assignments, or materials for the purpose of supporting and reinforcing classroom objectives
- Participating in the implementation of IEP goals for the purpose of meeting individual goals and/or district benchmarks
- Teaching individuals and small groups by utilizing instructional materials and techniques in readiness skills, reading, spelling, written language, math, social studies, science, fine motor skills, and memory skills.

September 2010-February 2011

Bucks County Technical High School, Fairless Hills, Pa

Long Term Substitute Teacher

- Taught Foundations level Civics and Academic Psychology
- Created lessons to stimulate student learning and achievement
- Differentiated instruction based on student IEP's and individual needs
- Member of the "Best Practices" committee

Spring 2010

Neshaminy School District, Langhorne, Pa

Council Rock School District, Newtown, Pa

Substitute Teacher / Homebound Instructor

- Demonstrated ability to use problem solving, cooperative negotiating skills and conflict resolution strategies.
- Followed lesson plans left by the permanent teacher
- Teaching capabilities in all subject areas.

Spring 2010

Pleasant Valley Middle School, Brodheadsville, PA**Student Teaching Experience: Grade 8**

- Observed teaching methods and strategies
- Taught five classes of U.S History I
- Actively participated in IEP meetings and parent conferences

Fall 2008

Pocono Mountain East High School, Swiftwater, PA**Student Teaching Experience: Grades 10, 11 and 12**

- Taught Honors American Cultures II and American Government
- Integrated technology into daily curriculum
- Practiced effective assessment strategies

Professional memberships and development

Pennsylvania State Education Association

Spring 2010

Member of Kappa Delta Pi Educational Honor Society

Spring 2009

Member of Project TEACH

Spring 2009

Philadelphia Urban Mentoring Project

Spring 2009

Work Experience

Summer 2011

Musiker Discovery Programs, Manhattan, NY**Residential Counselor**

- Supervised and mentored high school students who were interning in New York City; facilitated and organized activities for students

October 2010- June 2011

YWCA of Bucks County, Bristol, Pa**Teacher**

- Supervised teacher assistants; helped each student improve academic performance, learn time management skills, and achieve positive self image

August 2010- October 2010

Foundations Behavioral Health**Therapeutic Staff Support****Skills**

Computer: Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Excel

Other: Promethean board, Power Point projector, Overhead projector, Teacher Access Center, E-School Builder, Skyward