

# Jordan L. Tate

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**OBJECTIVE:** To obtain a teaching position in order to apply my knowledge of psychology, art and my personal artistic skills to inspire children to excel toward higher standards of learning and creativity.

## EDUCATION:

**The Pennsylvania State University**, G.P.A: 3.60  
*School of Visual Arts:* Art Education (BS)  
*School of Liberal Arts:* Psychology (BA)

University Park, PA  
May 2013

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

**Penn State Center for Arts & Crafts**  
*Adult Instructor*

State College, PA  
January 2013-April 2013

- Taught an adult oil painting course that introduced students to painting techniques, color theory, brushwork and composition.

**Wesley Spectrum Highland School**  
*Student Teacher*

Pittsburgh, PA  
October 2012-December 2012

- Developed and taught standard based lesson plans for high-functioning students, diagnosed on the autism spectrum or with moderate to severe emotional/behavioral disabilities, in the middle school and high school setting. Received exemplary overall rating.

**South Allegheny Elementary School**  
*Student Teacher*

Port Vue, PA  
August 2012-October 2012

- Developed and taught standard based lesson plans for students in kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Received exemplary overall rating.

**Penn State University Saturday School**  
*Teacher*

University Park, PA  
January 2012-April 2012

- Developed an eight-week art curriculum for students ages three to five years old.

## RELATED EXPERIENCES:

**The Woodlands Junior Lacrosse**  
*Coach*

The Woodlands, TX  
May 2012-August 2012

- Led weekly practice for the junior girls team. In practice, coached the girls on stick skills, understanding the game, conditioning and team building skills.

**Easter Seals Camp Buckaroo**  
*Volunteer*

The Woodlands, TX  
July 2012

- Worked with children diagnosed with Asperger syndrome and severe ADHD. Supported them during both social and learning engagements alongside other campers.

**State College Area School District**  
*Mentor*

State College, PA  
September 2010-2011

- Mentored a 5<sup>th</sup> grade boy with special needs, introduced him to various art media while also helping him to raise his self-esteem and confidence.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

**Penn State University School of Visual Arts**  
*Outstanding Student Teacher Award*

University Park, PA  
Fall 2012



## ART EXPERIENCE:

### **State College Community Mural**

State College, PA

*Artist*

January 2012-May 2012

- Worked collaboratively with ten other Penn State students to lead the creation of a 40-foot community arts project.

### **Penn State Hetzel Union Building (HUB-Robeson Center) Mural**

University Park, PA

*Lead Artist*

August 2011

- Selected to design and paint an 8-foot, Penn State themed, mural inside the Penn State student center building on campus.

### **Lacrosse Leagues**

*T-Shirt Designer*

- Created t-shirt designs using Adobe Illustrator for Walton High School Lacrosse (2008-2011), Walton Junior Lacrosse (2010) and the Woodlands Junior Lacrosse (2011-2012).

### **Exhibitions**

*Artist*

- Art Educators' Prequel Exhibit, Penn State Patterson Building (2012)
- Penn State Center for Arts and Crafts Employee Exhibit, Penn State HUB-Robeson Student Center (2010, 2011, 2012)
- Savannah College of Art and Design's Atlanta location (2007)

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## RELATED SKILLS:

### **Coaching Ability**

- Lacrosse, field hockey, track.

### **Technology Skills**

- Mac and PC proficient
- Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Dreamweaver, SPSS, iMovie, SmartBoard

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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

### **National Art Education Association**

*Member*

January 2011–Present

- Attended annual NAEA conferences to grow professionally and develop knowledge about contemporary art education research and practices.

### **Pennsylvania Art Education Association- Penn State Chapter**

University Park, PA

*Co-President*

September 2011–May 2012

- Conducted weekly meetings, oversaw other officers, and organized volunteer events to help raise support for the arts within schools and the community.

### **Tri-STATE THON**

University Park, PA

*Member*

October 2009–February 2011

- Participated in fundraising over \$9.5 million to support research for pediatric cancer.

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## REFERENCES:

Available upon request.

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