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**EDUCATION:**

WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, WEST CHESTER, PA

* Bachelor of Arts in English – English Teacher Certification, Creative Writing Minor
* Summa Cum Laude – Cumulative GPA: 3.891
* Honors College of West Chester University Class of 2015
* Certification: PA 7-12 English, Instructional I

STUDY ABROAD, UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS, CORK, IRELAND

(Summer session 2014)

* Completed summer session abroad
* Participated in graduate-level creative writing workshops
* Participated in public poetry and essay readings

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITION:**

ACADEMIC HONORS

* Honors College Dean’s List (Minimum GPA 3.75) – All Semesters
* Sigma Tau Delta (ΣΤΔ)—International English Honors Society
* College of the Arts and Sciences Outstanding Student Award Nominee
* Selected Undergraduate Poetry Performer, Winter 2014
* Selected Student Reader at WCU Women Speak Out Event

**PUBLICATIONS**

CAMPUS-BASED PUBLICATIONS

* Published in the Spring 2013 edition of *Daedalus*, the campus literary magazine
* Published in Fall 2014 Ebola Chapbook, created to raise money for Ebola victims
* Complied, edited, and published student work reflecting on issues of gender, and staged a reading of those works

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Student Teacher, Cooperating Teacher was Denise Kravitz at Eugene Klinger Middle School*,Jan 2015-

May 2015

* Led 8th graders in three classes of 8th grade level English class, and two classes of Academic Literacy (students performing below 8th grade level in English/Language Arts)
* Developed and implemented daily lessons utilizing technology and differentiation in a co-teaching environment
* Wrote unit plans to meet common core standards for 8th grade English
* Successfully blended popular culture and cannon literature in order to create lessons that were both approachable and challenging
* Developed lessons that catered to the technology-based culture of modern students by utilizing online-based texts and resources

ELBOW LANE DAY CAMP

*Senior Counselor*,June 2013 – Aug 2014

* Led campers through daily camp routine, ensuring safe and timely transitions between activities
* Built sense of community and friendship among campers and ensured each camper’s physical and emotional well-being
* Employed quick-thinking and problem solving skills to address daily conflicts and challenges
* Regularly sent letters home to update parents on camper progress and upcoming camp activities

NUEVA ESPERANZA CHARTER SCHOOL, PHILADEPHIA

*Acted as assistant teacher in an ELL classroom* Sep 2013 – Dec 2014

* Guided students ranging from 9th-12th grade in completing research and taking notes
* Tracked daily student progress and reported students’ difficulties to the classroom teacher
* Guided students in creating essay outlines from their complied notes
* Taught full lesson on parts of speech

WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

*Student Co-Editor of Ebola Chapbook*, Winter 2014

* Worked on a team with professors and students to review and approve the order and layout of a chapbook created to raise money for Ebola victims

**PERSONAL AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**

BARCLAY FRIENDS SENIOR CENTER VOLUNTEER

*Volunteer* *“Buddy” and Event Facilitator*, October 2011 – December 2014

* Spent one-on-one time with senior citizens, assisting with tasks, listening to concerns, and providing support, encouragement, and friendship.
* Facilitated activities such as manicures, BINGO, and trivia.

WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HONORS COLLEGE

*Honors Student Association Member*,Aug 2011 – Present

* Volunteered in community service events, including the Philly AIDS Walk and Adopt-a-Block

*Aid to South Africa Advancement Chair*, Aug 2013 – May 2014

*Aid to South Africa Decorations and Awareness Committee Member*, Aug 2011 – May 2013

* Raised money and support to host a community carnival benefitting 4 philanthropies in South Africa: H.E.L.P Ministries, Sparrow Village, Nkosi’s Haven, Mosaic
* Emphasized mission to reduce hunger, provide comfort to AIDS victims, and raise awareness
* Collaborated with rotaries, scheduling and executing presentations, in order to gather donations for the cause
* Contacted West Chester University families in order to gather donations for the cause
* Fostered relationships with over 30 different West Chester shops, restaurants, and other businesses to accumulate raffle items and donations
* Collaboratively raised a total of $11,704 for the cause in 2014

SIGMA TAU DELTA

*Public Relations Chair,* August 2014-Present

* Designed and distributed flyers, e-mails, and posters advertising sponsored events and activities
* Fostered open communication between Sigma Tau Delta and the campus community

**RELATED SKILLS**

Grant Writing, Skyward Training, LGBTQ Ally Training, Microsoft Office