**EDUCATION**

**June 2011**  Masters of Arts in Teaching: Elementary Education K-6

*University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA*

* GPA: 3.975

**April 2010** Bachelors of Science in Sociology

*University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown, PA, London, UK*

* Dean’s List
* GPA: 3.171

**Certification:** Pennsylvania State Elementary Certification K-6, and a Virginia State Professional License K-6

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Fairfax County School District,** Fairfax, VA August 2012-Present

**5th Grade,**Navy Elementary School

* Developed whole group and small group lessons based on Virginia pacing guide for 5th grade and 6th grade content
* Differentiated Instruction based on the needs of all students
* Provided weekly intervention and remediation sessions for students
* Utilized interactive notebooks in all subject areas
* Facilitated a safe, positive, and supportive learning environment
* Incorporated technology, including the SMARTboard, laptops, and netbooks to enhance lessons
* Fostered a classroom environment conducive to learning that promoted excellent student/teacher interaction
* Met weekly with the 5th grade team, guidance counselor, and administration todevelop common assessments, design enrichment and intervention lessons, and analyze data collected on our students.
* Established positive relationships with students, staff and administration
* Maintained positive relationships with parents through ongoing communicationusing Blackboard, phone, email, letters, and conferences
* Administered the SOL tests along with other standardized tests to evaluate student progress
* Participated in professional development, including grade level workshops, whole school meetings, and district-wide training sessions

**Fairfax County Schools District,** Fairfax, VA March – May 2013

**After School Remediation Program**, **5th Grade,** Navy Elementary School

* Provided curriculum guidance, re-teaching, and review for the upcoming standardized test in reading and math for students having academic difficulties

**Fairfax County School District,** Fairfax, VA

**Teaching Young Scholastic Summer Program, 3rd Grade,** Navy Elementary School July – August2013

* Facilitated guided reading groupsto develop students’ critical skills and help them become stronger readers
* Implemented a writing and reading workshop in the classroom
* Created guided math centers

**Fox Chapel School District,** Pittsburgh, PA February 2012-May 2012

**4th Grade Short-Term Leave Replacement**,Kerr Elementary School

* Assumed role of classroom teacher
* Collaborated and consulted with classroom teachers and other specialists to create engaging and meaningful lessons
* Designed PSSA preparatory lessons utilizing various learning tools, such as Buckle Down, to supplement student learning, and benchmark tools, such as 4Sights data, to gauge student progress
* Administered the PSSA tests along with other standardized tests to evaluate student progress
* Fostered a classroom environment conducive to learning that promoted excellent student engagement
* Communicated with parents on a regular basis to ensure student success
* Served as a mentor to a University of Pittsburgh Intern by supervising work, assessing lessons, and providing constructive feedback

**Fox Chapel School District,** Pittsburgh, PA December 2011

**3rd Grade Short-Term Substitute**,Kerr Elementary School

* Assumed role of classroom teacher
* Planned and implemented exciting lessons in all subject areas while accommodating for all learning styles
* Evaluated students' progress based on summative and formative data and used that data to drive planning, differentiation, and instruction.
* Utilized classroom management techniques that fostered a well-balanced classroom

**Fox Chapel School District**, Pittsburgh, PA August 2011-September 2011

**2nd Grade Short-Term Substitute**, Kerr Elementary School

* Assumed role of classroom teacher
* Developed whole group and small group lessons based on state standards and eligible content
* Provided curriculum guidance to students having academic difficulties
* Taught a balanced literacy program that included instruction, phonics, phonemic awareness, and engaging literacy centers.

**Fox Chapel School District,** Pittsburgh, PA August 2010-June 2011

**2nd Grade MAT Intern,** Kerr Elementary School

* Created differentiated lessons for students based on their skills and instructional needs
* Developed standards-based activities, homework assignments, and assessments for all subject areas
* Utilized technology to deliver instruction
* Planned and led guided reading groups with a variety of leveled novels
* Implementedindividualized teaching strategies to meet specific student learning needs
* Presented students with learning needs to an RTII team
* Taught science lessons using the ASSET Science Kit models
* Maintained positive relationships with parents through ongoing communication and conferences

**Westmont Hilltop School District**, Johnstown, PASeptember 2009-May 2010

**K, 1st, and 2nd Grade Teaching Assistant/Tutor**, Westmont Hilltop Elementary School

* Worked with small groups to develop reading comprehension and fluency
* Used formative assessments to measure students’ progress and to guide instruction

**Directed Practicum in Adolescent Social Competence,** Johnstown, PAOctober 2007

**SPECIAL SKILLS**

**Technology**

* Mac and PC proficient, including iPads, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Spreadsheet, Publisher, Exchange, Google Apps, Blackboard, Smart Board, Edline, Horizons, Easy Grade Pro, ISIS, Smart Exchange

**Athletics**

* Girls on the Run Assistant Coach, Navy Elementary, March 2013-Present
* Certified in CPR/AED, Epipen, and first aid

**Additional Training**

* Trained in Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA)2 for Grades 3-6
* Trained in Working with English Language Learners (WELL)Pre-K through Grade 6
* Trained in Project Based Learning