

# Tara Ann Martin

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## Education

**Murray State University**, College of Education, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication Murray, KY  
*Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and History with Social Studies Certification*, May 2015  
Dean's List; Vice President of Phi Alpha Theta; Photo Editor for Advanced Journalism Senior Project; Volunteered with the Murray State News

**University of Southern Mississippi**, College of Education, School of Mass Communication and Journalism Hattiesburg, MS  
*Major: Broadcast Journalism and Secondary History with Social Studies Certification*  
Reporter for Hub City TV; Pi Beta Phi Sorority; Awarded third place in Associated Press Regional College Competition for "Best Feature Story" and second place in Associated Press Regional College Competition for "Best News Cast"

Cumulative GPA: 3.23 | GPA at Murray State: 3.62

**Georgia Tech**, Coding Bootcamp Atlanta, GA

## Teaching Certifications

**Georgia T-4 Certification:** Grades 6 – 12: Behavioral Science; Economics; Geography; History; Political Science  
Grades 4 – 8: Language Arts

## Teaching Experience

**Dodgen Middle School**, Marietta, GA December 2015 – Present  
*Special Education Paraprofessional*

- Assisted in the implementation of IEPs and accommodations in a Co-Taught Classroom.
- Provided one-on-one support for an orthopedically impaired student. Offered input on the student's IEP.
- Facilitated the execution of differentiated curriculum in the general education classroom.
- Provided support to the instructor in delivering formative and summative assessments to students.
- Delivered assistance in classroom management.

**Pulaski County Public Schools**, Pulaski County, VA September 2015 – December 2015  
*Substitute Teacher*

- Effectively executed lesson plans provided by the instructor.
- Provided students with a well-managed classroom environment.

**Marshall County High School**, Benton, KY September 2014 – May 2015  
*Student Teacher, Student Teaching Practicum*

- Taught 10<sup>th</sup> grade World History and 11<sup>th</sup> grade American History according to state standards.
- Created a unit complete with lesson plans, differentiated instruction, culturally relevant pedagogy, and technology.
- Tutored ESL students and students with learning disabilities in history.
- Created a constructive classroom environment.

**Graves County High School**, Mayfield, KY February 2014 – April 2014  
*Student Teaching Practicum*

- Developed lesson plans for 10<sup>th</sup> grade World History while assisting the instructor with classroom management.

## Other Experience

**New River Valley Historical Society**, Dublin, VA September 2015 – December 2015  
*Board Member*

**Tree of Life Daycare and Learning Center**, Christiansburg, VA May 2015 – July 2015  
*Assistant Teacher*

**The University of Southern Mississippi Athletic Department**, Hattiesburg, MS January 2009 to August 2009  
*Media Relations Student Assistant*

## Key Skills

- Proficient use of Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint to bring history to life using imbedded photos, audio, news articles, and video clips.
- Excellent presentation skills for delivering class lectures while effectively maintaining student interest and active participation.
- Confident and effective classroom management skills. Exceptional planning skills.

- Excellent interpersonal skills. Strong work ethic. Very organized with great attention to detail. Ability to adapt quickly to change. Strong desire to help students succeed. Compassionate. Always willing to go the extra mile.