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EDUCATION

2003-2005	University of Michigan M.A. Curriculum Development Certification Secondary English and Psychology	Ann Arbor, MI
1996-2000	University of Pennsylvania B.A. English, Psychology Minor	Philadelphia, PA
	King's College – London Literature and Theatre, Fall Semester (1999)	London, England
1992-1996	Phillips Exeter Academy	Exeter, NH

HONORS & AWARDS

2010	Elected Speaker at Senior Luncheon, Latin School of Chicago
2009	Elected Speaker at Upper School Class Day, Latin School of Chicago
2000	Magna Cum Laude, University of Pennsylvania
1999-present	Friars Senior Honor Society, University of Pennsylvania
1996-2000	Dean's List, University of Pennsylvania

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University

2003-2004 **Instructor, Department of English**
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Subjects Taught

- Pre-1660 English Literature (e.g., Beowulf, Canterbury Tales, Piers Plowman, and King Lear)

Student Advisement

- Worked with students multiple times a week to workshop essays, answer questions, and help students prepare for course exams

2003-2004 **Team Leader and Coordinator, America Reads Tutoring Corps**
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Supervision and Mentorship

- Worked with University of Michigan student tutors in Detroit and Ypsilanti, MI public schools
- Visited the schools once a week and observed tutor instruction
- Provided guidance in preparation of class materials
- Met with school liaisons to coordinate tutor activities and establish and maintain mutual understanding and cooperation
- Provided tutors with written and oral evaluations and advisement
- Organized tutor trainings each month
- Facilitated meetings with tutors from each site once a month

Service

- Volunteer leader, America Reads Book Club

Professional Development

- Selected Member of the Graduate Women's Leadership Program

Secondary

2007-2010

**Faculty, Upper School English and History
Latin School of Chicago, Chicago, IL**

Subjects Taught

- AP Psychology (seniors)
- Great World Novels (juniors and seniors)
- Writer as Documentarian (juniors and seniors)
- Monster Literature (juniors and seniors)
- English 10 (sophomores)
- Independent Studies in English and Psychology

Student Advisement

- Lead student advisory group discussions three times a week to problem solve and facilitate teamwork
- Meet with students individually to mentor academic and personal concerns
- Meet with students to provide extra help in writing, analysis, and preparation for the SAT

Service and Leadership

Committees:

- Honor Code Committee, *Chair and Founder*
- Curriculum Mapping Committee, *Member, English department chair*
- Advisory Committee, *Member of Advisory Handbook revision*
- Long Block Committee, *Member, English department representative*
- Student Academic Board, *Faculty member*

Student Extracurricular Activities:

- Latin Alliance of Women (LAW), *Faculty sponsor*
- *When In Rome*, news and humor publication, *Faculty sponsor*
- Literary Book Club, *Faculty sponsor*
- Model UN, *Faculty sponsor*
- Project Week, Senior Alternative Educational Experience, *Faculty sponsor*
 - *Winter Hiking & Camping* (2008)
 - *Cultural Exchange in Jordan* (2009)
 - *Lunch Impossible*, Basic culinary skills and preparation of lunch for 125 in a homeless shelter in Chicago (2010)
- Faculty-Student Chorale, *Faculty member*

Professional Development

- Honor Council Conference sponsored by the Center for Spiritual and Ethical Education - Oakton, VA, 2010
- Advanced Placement Psychology Conference, Northwestern University - Evanston, IL, 2007

2005-2007

**Faculty, Language and Arts, International Baccalaureate Diploma Program
Director, Theatre and Forensics
International Academy, Bloomfield Hills, MI**

Subjects Taught

- Theory of Knowledge (juniors)
- American Literature (sophomores)
- World Literature (freshmen)

Theatre and Forensics Direction and Programming

- Directed one major production a year (*Our Town*, '05; *The Miser*, '06)
- Supervised the student-directed One Acts
- Directed the *International Fine Arts Festival* musical and theatrical acts
- Organized *Comedy Night*
- Provided technical assistance to all performances at the school
- Coached the team for participation in twelve Interscholastic Forensics public address and dramatic interpretation events

Student Advisement

- Advised students throughout development and writing of a 4000 word *Extended Essay* for their International Baccalaureate diploma
- Met with students for extra help in writing, analysis, and preparation for the SAT

Service and Leadership

Committees:

- International Fine Arts Committee, *Co-chair*
- Assembly Committee, *Co-chair*
- Curriculum Development, School Improvement Committee, *Member*
- Social Committee, *Member*

Student Extracurricular Activities:

- Drama Club, *Faculty sponsor*
- Forensics Club, *Faculty sponsor*
- Cooking Club, *Faculty sponsor*
- Jewish Student Association, *Faculty sponsor*
- Interscholastic Forensics, *Judge and host of competition*
- Enrichments, *Faculty sponsor*
 - *Hiking & Camping in Virginia* (2006)
 - *Arts and Architecture in Chicago* (2007)

Professional Development

- International Baccalaureate and Middle Years Program Development, International Academy Central – Bloomfield Hills, MI; Toronto, Canada; and St. Petersburg, FL, 2005-2007
- Certified Judge, Interscholastic Forensics Team speech and debate– Bloomfield Hills, 2006-2007

2005

Student Instructor, English and Psychology
Churchill High School, Livonia, MI

Subjects Taught

- Psychology (juniors and seniors)
- English (freshmen)

Student Advisement

- Assisted with the tenth and eleventh grade student councils and all of their sponsored events

Professional Development

- Attended seminars bi-weekly on topics such as classroom management, assessment, lesson preparation, and multiple intelligences

2004

Pre-Service Teacher
Northville High School, Northville, MI

Subjects Taught

- Transcendentalism (essays and poetry of Emerson and Thoreau)

Professional Development

- Classroom observation and writing instruction

2004

Instructor
Columbus School for Girls, Summer Program, Columbus, OH

Subjects Taught

- SAT Verbal Preparation for both the 2004 and 2005 versions of the test
- Mechanics of Writing
- Word Processing

Primary

2001-2003

Teaching Intern, third and fourth grades
The Town School for Boys, San Francisco, CA

Subjects Taught

- Units in Reading, Language Arts, Social Studies, Math, Science, Cursive and Technology

Student Advisement

- Tutored students in English and Social Studies

Service and Leadership

Committees:

- Curriculum Development, *member*

Student Extracurricular Activities:

- Instructed eighth grade students in interview skills
- Coached sixth grade soccer team
- Directed the student talent show

Professional Development

- Innovative lesson plans, classroom discipline, teaching and writing - San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, CA, 2001-2003
- Bay Area Writing Workshop, series on poetry, Berkeley, 2002

2002

Instructor
The Town School for Boys, Summer Program, San Francisco, CA

Subjects Taught

- Creative writing
- PSAT preparation
- Drama sports (created class)

1999

Leader and Coordinator
America Reads, Columbus, OH

Lead Tutoring

- Served as the leader of five other tutors at my assigned site
- Organized tutor planning sessions
- Coordinated parent meetings
- Met with the supervisor to discuss student progress
- Tutored groups of kindergarten through third grade students
- Taught basic reading and writing skills

Professional Development

- Attended statewide AmeriCorps conferences to discuss current education issues

1998

Tutor
America Reads, Columbus, OH

Tutoring

- Worked with groups of kindergarten through third grade students
- Taught basic reading and writing skills
- Invented and coordinated themes
- Administered skills-assessment tests

Professional Development

- Attended statewide AmeriCorps conferences to discuss current education issues

RELATED EXPERIENCES

1996-2000

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Service

- University City High School
Theatre Teacher/Mentor
- Philadelphia Elementary Inner-City School League
Soccer Coach

Theatre

- Bloomers (an all-female musical comedy group that writes and performs its own material)
Director and Performer

Other

2003-present

Phillips Exeter Academy – Exeter, NH
Off-campus Interviewer

2005

The Improv Olympic – Chicago, IL
Improvisation Student

REFERENCES

Professional

- Ted Graf Head of the Latin School of Chicago Upper School
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Academic

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