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OBJECTIVE Seeking a middle school and/or high school French teaching position. Offering strong French communication skills, a passion for teaching and learning, and the ability to quickly establish rapport with students.

EDUCATION **St. Norbert College**, De Pere, WI
Bachelor of Arts Degree in French, May 2008
Certification: Early Adolescence/Adolescence (Secondary Education)
G.P.A: 3.89/4.0 Magna Cum Laude

STUDY ABROAD **l'Université Catholique de Lille**, Lille, France **Spring 2007**

- Study abroad program with a focus on French language and culture
- Established sensitivity to other cultural values, norms, customs, and communication patterns
- Gained fluency in French

KEY EXPERIENCE **West De Pere Middle School**, De Pere, WI **November 2007 – January 2008**
Student Teacher of French for three 8th grade classes, one 7th grade class, and one 6th grade class

- Created original lesson plans to meet Wisconsin benchmark standards for middle school students
- Directed and taught students in both English and French
- Used various songs and physical movements to enhance language learning
- Led students in exploration of the French language through primary sources and personal knowledge
- Developed and implemented classroom management plan
- Designed lesson plans that fit each classroom of students and adapted to their needs and learning styles

De Pere High School, De Pere, **August 2007 - November 2007**
Student Teacher of French for two French 1 classes, two French 2 classes, and one French 3 class

- Created assessment tools and rubrics to evaluate student performance
- Quickly established rapport with cooperating teacher, staff and administration
- Assisted in new course proposal of French 5
- Created and implemented a variety of lesson plans including group work, lecture, discussion and interactive learning
- Assess learning and comprehension of students, both formally and informally
- Incorporated technology and activities to encourage student learning.
- Helped coordinate Extreme Sports club and French club which included assisting with girls Power Puff game, Redbird rally, and chaperoning various paintball trips

Parkview Middle School, Green Bay, WI Sept. 2006 – Dec. 2006
Junior Field Experience Teacher of Literature Circles and African History to grade 8

- Led simultaneously one small group of students in a literature circle
- Initiated critical analysis and reflective thinking about literature books
- Connected literary readings to the personal experiences of adolescent students
- Designed and implemented a lesson plan that allowed students to collectively write a letter to a girl who lives in Kenya, Africa to increase awareness of cultural differences

Tutor, Private Student, De Pere, WI May 2006 - August 2006

- Assisted middle school student with increasing her French communication skills and comprehension
- Created interactive lesson plans to assist in the learning process
- Incorporated various techniques to motivate student

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Member of BUD November 2004 - May 2008
St. Norbert College Independent Social Group

- Elected Social Chair from 2007-2008
- Organized and planned social events for 50-100 people
- Participated in numerous community service events such as Make A Difference Day, Relay for Life, and St. Jude's Hospital Up 'Til Dawn

WORK EXPERIENCE

Office Assistant/Tour Guide May 2006 – May 2008
St. Norbert College Admission Office

- Gave daily campus tours to prospective high school students and families
- Participated in numerous panels and presentations aimed at high school/middle school students
- Organized and implemented freshmen year retention email program through the St. Norbert Academic Achievement Office

HONORS

St. Norbert College Dean's List (7 Semesters)
St. Norbert College Trustees Scholar
Phi Beta Delta, International Honors Society
Phi Sigma Iota, Foreign Language National Honor Society

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

Knowledgeable with Apple and Microsoft computers, including iMovie, iTunes, iPhoto, Webquests, Geo-caching, Media Blender, Google Earth, PowerPoint, Excel, and Word

CREDENTIAL FILE, ELECTRONIC PORTFOLIO AND REFERENCES
AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST