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OBJECTIVE

Seeking an elementary or middle school teaching position. Offering Spanish speaking skills, creative lesson planning, integration of technology, and a passion for motivating the lifelong learning of students.

EDUCATION

ST. NORBERT COLLEGE, De Pere, WI

Bachelor of Arts Degree, May 2010

Major: Elementary Education GPA: 3.94/4.0

Certification: Middle Childhood – Early Adolescence

Major: Spanish GPA: 4.0/4.0

Certification: Early Childhood – Adolescence

Honors/Scholarships:

- Dean's List
- Phi Beta Delta: Honor Society for International Scholars
- Phi Sigma Iota: The International Foreign Language Honor Society
- St. Norbert College Trustees Distinguished Scholarship-Academics

FUNDACIÓN DE ORTEGA Y GASSET, Toledo, Spain

Fall 2008

- Study abroad program with a focus on Spanish literature, history, language and culture
- Developed fluency in Spanish language with the ability to adapt quickly and handle stressful situations
- Established cultural awareness with openness to new practices, customs and values
- Interacted with native Spanish speakers by teaching English 3 hours per week at El Colegio de Alberto Sanchez, an elementary school in Toledo, Spain for a Service Learning course

EXPERIENCE

Student Teacher - Pulaski Middle School, Pulaski, WI

April 2010-June 2010

- In progress - 7th and 8th grade Spanish

Student Teacher – 1st Grade, Prince of Peace School, Green Bay, WI

January 2010-April 2010

- Plan and implement age appropriate lessons that meet the needs of kinesthetic, visual, and auditory learners
- Collaborate with colleagues about lessons and behavioral management ideas
- Prepared classroom and students for the Multicultural Fair held by the school

Reading Tutor - Westwood Elementary School, De Pere, WI

October 2009-December 2009

- Tutored two 5th grade students to improve their reading and comprehension
- Met twice a week for tutoring lessons containing reading, writing, listening, and speaking

Spanish Teacher - St. Norbert College Pre-Collegiate Children's Language Institute, De Pere, WI **Spring 2008 & Fall 2009**

- Taught before and after school Spanish classes for one hour once a week to 10-12 students ages 7-10
- Wrote and implemented lesson plans for the intermediate level class
- Created interactive games that reinforced the curriculum and stimulated learning in a fun way

Instructional Assistant - Merton Community School District, Merton, WI

Summers 2008-2009

- Classroom management supervisor and teacher assistant for a variety of summer school fun courses
- Tutored one on one reading with a 2nd grade student one hour, 4 days a week for one summer session
- Aided classroom teacher for two sessions of a Kindergarten-Grade One transition course

Pre-Service Teacher - Washington Middle School, Green Bay, WI

April 2009-May 2009

- Developed a 6 lesson unit on the Laws of Motion to a 6th grade class as a team of 4 student teachers
- Integrated technology through the use of a PBWiki online site, iClickers, and video recorders

Pre-Service Teacher - Parkview Middle School, Green Bay, WI

February 2009-March 2009

- Team-taught 2 reading circle units with five 8th grade students in order to offer more personalized attention and instruction
- Created a PBWiki site online, which included discussion board assignments for the students

Pre-Service Teacher - Annie Jackson Elementary School, Green Bay, WI

November 2007-December 2007

- Observed and taught for 5 weeks in a 4th grade classroom under the supervision of the classroom teacher
- Planned and taught a reading circle unit for a small group of 6 students
- Taught a science electricity lesson for the entire class
- Incorporated the use of iClickers for an interactive Choose Your Own Adventure Story

- Pre-Service Teacher - Wrightstown Elementary School, Wrightstown, WI** **October 2007**
- Planned and taught two lessons in teams about the true story of Christopher Columbus and the First Thanksgiving
 - Created a website using iWeb including content, student work, activities, and photos used for lessons
 - Led a scavenger hunt with the students using individual handheld GPS systems

- Pre-Service Teacher - St. Norbert College Children's Center, DePere, WI** **September 2007-October 2007**
- Met with a 4-year old student once a week for about an hour to read books and completed activities advocating the use of reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

- Member - SWEA: Student Wisconsin Education Association, De Pere, WI** **September 2006-Present**
- Attended monthly meetings centered around information and activities for pre-service teachers

- Planning Committee Member - Fiesta Hispánica, De Pere, WI** **Spring 2008 & 2009, Fall 2009**
- Served as committee member for two successful Fiesta Hispánica celebrations to bring cultural awareness to the community

- Participant - St. Norbert College *Oh My Gosh...You Too?* Women's Retreat, Green Lake, WI** **October 2009**
- Nominated by two SNC faculty members to attend the women's retreat consisting of teambuilding, leadership, and empowerment workshops

- Participant - St. Norbert College Fall Student Leadership Conference, De Pere, WI** **September 2009**
- Attended the two day student leadership conference and participated in workshops for developing leadership techniques

- Mentor - St. Norbert College FYE- First Year Experience, De Pere WI** **Fall 2007 & 2009**
- Held regular meetings throughout the Week of Welcome with first year students to answer questions and guide students as they made the transition to St. Norbert
 - Led one-hour long meetings once a week for the first six weeks of the semester to discuss pre-selected topics pertaining to the transition into college: academics, homesickness, alcohol and wellness, etc.

- Participant - St. Norbert College TRIPS: Turning Responsibility Into Powerful Service** **October 2007-January 2008**
- Participated as a group member on the Chicago, IL Urban Education trip volunteering at The Academy of St. Benedict The African in a 5th grade classroom aiding the teacher and working one on one with students needing extra assistance
 - Returned March 2008 to deliver donated and purchased games for the school's after school program

- Student Apprentice - Emerging Leaders Program: Make A Difference Day** **September 2006-October 2006**
- Participated in the weekly meetings and weekend retreat where students learned about team building and leadership skills
 - Actively organized and participated in the Make A Difference Day service project where students went out into the community to help community members winterize their homes.

TRAINING

- TRIBES Training:** Completed the introductory course of the TRIBES classroom management system **2009**
- AVID Training:** Trained for the AVID tutoring system designed to increase learning and performance of all students **2009**
- VIRTUS Training:** Learned to recognize warning signs of sexual abuse and communicate concerns **2007**

TECHNOLOGY

- Familiar with: Mac Computers, PC Computers, Overhead Projectors, Smart Boards, GPS Systems, Video Recorders, Digital Cameras, iPods, iClickers, iPhoto, iMovie, iDVD, iWeb, Podcasts, Skype, Inspiration Software, Peanut Butter Wiki, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Excel