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OBJECTIVE Seeking an elementary teaching position. Offering leadership experience, attentive listening, and an appreciation of diverse backgrounds.

EDUCATION St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI
Bachelor of Arts, May 2007
Major: Elementary Education Minor: Religious Studies
GPA 3.3/4.0
Certification: Middle Childhood/Early Adolescence

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Student Teacher, Sunnyside Elementary, Sobieski, WI, March 2007-June 2007

Student Teacher, Resurrection School, Green Bay, WI, January 2007-March 2007

- Created engaging lessons about a variety of world religions
- Created Lenten reflection book
- Assisted Student Council development
- Chaperoned meal serving at a homeless shelter
- Facilitated students in a variety of culture fair projects
- Led discussion on global issues including nonviolence
- Constantly able to adjust to a variety of unscheduled activities
- Conducted parent-teacher conferences

Pre-service Teacher, Parkview Middle School, Ashwaubenon, WI, February 2006-April 2006

- Managed literature circle activities
- Initiated real-life interactive economic unit plan

Pre-service Teacher, Jackson Elementary School, Green Bay, WI, April 2005-May 2005

- Assisted in multiple classroom tasks
- Created lessons referring to the state of Wisconsin
- Differentiated instruction depending on need
- Assisted in the organization in the variety of events for Health Day

Pre-service Teacher, Westwood Elementary, De Pere, WI, February 2005-April 2005

- Guided students through activities about measurement
- Used cross-curricular learning including reading in a math class

Pre-service Teacher, Washington Middle School, Green Bay WI, February 2005-April 2005

- Created interactive Social studies lessons about World War I and aviation
- Incorporated technology to encourage student learning

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CAREER-RELATED EXPERIENCE

Teacher, Catechists for Generations of Faith, De Pere, WI, May 2006-Present

- Team planned and taught lessons
- Incorporated Catholic Social teaching into students everyday life

Reading Tutor, Private Family, De Pere, WI, February 2006-May 2006

- Created energetic activities that dealt with a variety of reading skills
- Taught with a student one on one

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

First Year Experience Mentor

- Facilitator for first year students
- Personally mentored a group of 14 students
- Organized engaging activities for weekly meetings

Peace and Justice Intern

- Organized monthly trip to local homeless shelter

Faith Exploration Intern

- Planned introductory campus wide event
- Transitioned students to learn about religion academically

Alternative Break Leader

- Coordinated and lead service trips to address critical social needs

Alternative Break Participant

COMMITTEES

Week of Nonviolence

- Organized thought provoking events on the subject of nonviolence
- Hosted first Movie with a Message
- Planned/coordinated Tibetan prayer flag project for the campus

Poverty Awareness Week

- Planned campus wide events aimed at promoting awareness of global poverty

Pizza with a Purpose

- Organized monthly campus gathering with a meaningful message including panelists
- Topics included-Simple living 101 and Drunk Driving

Generations of Faith CORE team

- Planned all ages portions of the faith festivals
- Evaluated previous faith festival
- Created justice and service ideas for the group such as blankets to be donated

100 Men Who Cook

- Fundraising event for service trip program
- Set up and planned booth at event
- Contacted local establishments for donations