

BEFORE STUDENT TEACHING IS COMPLETE: EXAMPLE RESUME

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TEACH FOR AMERICA CANDIDATE *SECONDARY ENGLISH/SPECIAL EDUCATION*

Creating open, safe, and engaging learning environments where every student can be guided to unlock potential and achieve greatness.



- ✓ Previous successful experience leading and mentoring students from elementary to university age
- ✓ Commitment to education and genuine desire to change lives and support others
- ✓ Experience working with diverse range of students from varying backgrounds and abilities
- ✓ Background that includes deep understanding of the special needs student and experience assisting them
- ✓ Excellent organizational skills and demonstrated success managing multiple tasks simultaneously

"In six years of directing the writing center at Graceland, X would have to be one of the best tutors I had the fortune to hire." ~ Jim Uhlenkamp, Ed.D

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts Degree: Graceland University, Lamoni, IA Anticipated May, 2014
Major: *English- Secondary English Language Arts & Instructional Strategies for Special Ed* **GPA: 3.62**

TEACHING AND RELATED EXPERIENCES

Graceland University Writing Center Tutor, Lamoni, IA August 2011- Present

- Tutor approximately 30 students each school year to increase writing quality and effectiveness
- Recognized by faculty and students for ability to teach and improve student products
- Successfully assist students to pass challenging classes or substantially improve performance
- Demonstrate patience and personal care for diverse range of students with wide range of abilities

Special Education Practicum: Lamoni Community Schools, Lamoni, IA January 2013

- Observed and assisted lead teacher in special education classroom at the high school

Caregiver: Pikes Peak Respite Services, Colorado Springs, CO Summers 2010- 2011

- Lead activities, provided meals, and created safe and educational environment for small groups of 7 -15 special needs clients ages infant – adult
- Observed and monitored behavior to ensure each client was engaged appropriately. Often worked with clients one on one to mentor, support, and encourage

After School Elementary Tutor: YouthBASE, Greenville, SC September 2009- May 2010

- Tutored small groups of at risk youth in reading and writing skills
- Utilized effective group management strategies to ensure safe and positive environment for all students

Volunteer Basketball Coach: Rocky Mountain Calvary, Colorado Springs, CO June 2009

- Created inclusive and encouraging environment where 4th grade students effectively improved skills
- Provided consistent support and positive feedback to each player

VOLUNTEERISM

Red Cross Volunteer: Del Norte, CO Summer 2013

- Worked as disaster relief volunteer in shelter that housed clients that had to leave their homes due to the West Fork Complex Fires. Received training and experience providing basic psychological first aid.