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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Spanish K-12 Teaching Option: Summa Cum Laude

Fort Lewis College - Durango, Colorado

2015

ACHIEVEMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS

- K-12 Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education Endorsement (CLD) 2015 - present
- K-12 Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education Bilingual Specialist Endorsement (CLD-S) 2015 - present
- AP Spanish Language and Culture certified *Program completion July 2017
- Kagan Certified Educator 2016 - present
- Recipient of Excellence in Spanish Language Senior Award 2014 & 2015
- Recipient of TRIO's Jennifer McHorse Award 2015
- Member of Sigma Delta Pi National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society 2014 - present

SKILLS

- Bilingual: Spanish & English
- Sincerely open to feedback and continual improvement of practice
- Reflective practitioner
- DEIB focused & trained
- Co-teaching experience
- Intrinsically motivated
- Adaptable to technology
- Served on three BODs
- Significant experience in leadership/coordinator positions, empowering others, and planning large events

APPLICABLE WORK HISTORY

High School Spanish (Levels 1, 2, 3 and Heritage)

Durango High School - Durango, CO

2019 - present

- Implements CI & TPRS strategies in order to facilitate language acquisition and student literacy across all levels
- Developing a BIPOC centered approach to Heritage Spanish language instruction
- Leads an Equity Team which centers diverse student needs in order to improve school climate and culture
- Co-founded and co-sponsors a Black Student Alliance (BSA) club with active and passionate student participation
- Actively participates in the Inclusive Excellence Guiding Coalition—(DEIB) district team—comprised of staff, students, administrators, and community members, focused on RTI, Family Engagement, and On-going DEIB Professional Learning

Title VI/Johnson O'Malley (JOM)/American Indian Education Coordinator & Indian Home/School Liaison

Blackduck Public Schools - Blackduck, MN 56630

Spring Semester 2019

- Worked closely with aprox. 100 Native American students (PK-G12), with a goal of providing a safe space in which students could more adequately connect and succeed culturally and academically
- Tutored (literacy support, writing, math, science, etc.) in 1:1 and group settings
- Aided, advocated for, and provided documentation for the RTI process
- Planned and implemented cultural immersion in grade-level groups through meaningful collaboration with the local tribes, which included culturally-relevant literature, regalia making, history, and language exploration
- Centered the voices of parent committee to continually improve the program and meet the diverse needs of students
- Helped to bridge communication between administrators, teachers, support staff, students, and families
- Oversaw all finances and bookkeeping, including: grant-writing, grant spending, tracking student progress, and maintaining student files

3 Month Cultural Immersion and 3rd Grade Homeschool Teacher

La Finca Solantis - Santa María de Dota, Costa Rica

Fall 2018

- Spanish language and cultural immersion experience with family while working on a Horticulture Farm
- Planned and implemented daily instruction of 3rd Grade curriculum following a Project Based Learning model, including: STEM experiences, exhibition of student work through diverse media, volunteering, and more
- Designed a standards-based grade book based on 3rd Grade requirements in the states of Colorado and Minnesota

International Summer Camp Interim Counselor Lead

Northwoods Adventure Camp - Tenstrike, MN 56683

Summer 2018 - present

High School Spanish (all levels 1-5 and AP) and Elementary Spanish (K-5)

Busan Foreign School - Busan, South Korea

2016 - 2018

- Recreated a holistic K-12 Spanish language curriculum in order to facilitate language acquisition and student literacy through CI and TPRS strategies, and established an extensive Spanish language library for our department
- Co-planned and co-taught to differentiate instruction for language learners in the novice-low to intermediate-mid range
- Continuously collaborated with students and colleagues to construct and review student portfolios, collect digital and verbal feedback, and adapt/improve instruction based on student needs and personalized growth goals
- Presented professional development learning and strategies based on aforementioned portfolio management and data collection at the 2017 Korea Council of Overseas Schools (KORCOS) International Educator Conference
- Actively served as the Chair, Secretary, and Teacher Representative for the Parent Teacher Support Organization (PTSO)
- Led a WASC focus group, consisting of eight staff members, to collect data for school accreditation review

Upward Bound College Prep Summer Academy Spanish Instructor

TRIO Upward Bound - Durango, CO

Summer 2016

Adult Conversational Spanish Instructor

Durango Adult Education Center - Durango, CO

Winter & Spring 2016

High School Spanish 3 & 4 (Teacher) and HS Spanish 1 & 2 (Student Teacher)

Animas High School - Durango, CO 81301

Fall 2015 - Spring 2016

- Co-constructed curriculum in a co-teaching environment following a Project Based Learning model
- Designed, executed, and exhibited a wide array of hands-on projects for authentic audiences with a focus on application of cultural and linguistic concepts in the Spanish language
- Collaborated with students, colleagues, and administrators to continuously collect feedback, improve instruction, and develop skills as a reflective practitioner
- Actively participated in Peer Coaching as an ongoing tool to develop individualized professional goal
- Planned, coached, and paneled during individualized, end of term, student Presentations of Learning (POLs)
- Aided in the conceptualization and realization of the first ESL program at Animas High School

Ski & Ride School Director and SnoKat Kidz Program Director

Ski Hesperus - Hesperus, CO 81326

2005 - 2014

- Interviewed, hired, and trained a staff of 30 instructors seasonally
- Developed ski and snowboard progression guides which followed the national PSIA and AASI guidelines
- Coordinated schedule and calculated payroll for all ski school staff
- Coached monthly instructor development clinics
- Pioneered 6-week ski and ride program for children ages 5-15 years which included: Program design, advertising, student enrollment, and parent/public relations
- Organized and implemented annual Family Ski & Race Day which included: cultivation of sponsorships, race course construction, certificate & award design

TECHNOLOGY

Learned and integrated various programs and forms of technology throughout all careers, field studies, and in all post-secondary courses, including but not limited to: Renweb — Powerschool — Infinite Campus SmartBoard — TechBoard Lumens & Epson Document Cameras — iMovie — Movie Maker — Photoshop — Google Suites — Weebly for digital portfolios — Duolingo — Quizlet — Kahoot — Seesaw — Quizziz — TeacherMade

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND CERTIFICATIONS

Hesperus Ski Patrol Volunteer, Instructor, and Representative on BOD

2005 - 2021

Hesperus Ski Patrol's Patroller of the Year Award

2016

Outdoor Emergency Care (OEC) Technician

2005 - 2023

First Aid and CPR certified

2005 - present