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**OBJECTIVE**

To obtain a K-12 art education teaching position using a student-centered approach.

**EDUCATION**

**The College of New Jersey,** Ewing, NJ

*Bachelor of Arts in Art Education*, May 2016. Art History Minor.

Cumulative GPA: 3.845/4.0, Dean’s List

Study Abroad Experience - Rome, Italy. Fall 2015. *Global Student Teaching*, **Ambrit International School**.

Study Abroad Experience - Paris, France. May 2014

* Studied art history in Paris, nearby cities (Giverny, Versailles), and the south of France (Arles, Marseilles, and Aix-en-Provence). This writing intensive course included daily visits to landmarks, important architectural sites, and museums.

**HONORS**

Member of Kappa Pi International Art Honor Society, Fall 2013 – Present

Member of Kappa Delta Pi International Education Honor Society, Spring 2014 – Present

Member of Phi Kappa Phi International Honor Society, Spring 2015-Present

*Awarded membership for obtaining a position in the top 7.5% of the Class of 2016.*

**CERTIFICATIONS**

*CEAS*, Art, State of New Jersey, June 2016

*HIB Certification*, May 2016

*Praxis Exam*, Art: Content Knowledge (Score: 183), May 2015

*Substitute Teacher’s Credential*, State of New Jersey, April 2016

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*Art Teacher*, Ceramics, **Ewing High School**, Ewing, NJ. September 2016-Present

* Taught Ceramics I on a block schedule to three different sections each semester. Students were exposed to introductory methods and practices in the art of ceramics. Lessons were structured around basic hand-building techniques while making strong connections to big ideas and a vast array of art historical themes – both ancient and contemporary. All lessons incorporated curriculum content standards on the New Jersey State level as well as the National Level, from both Visual Arts and other disciplines. Average class size: 25 students
* Organized a field trip to **Grounds for Sculpture** in Hamilton, New Jersey with all students.
* Exhibited student work in several art shows over the course of the year throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

*Student Teacher,* **Dunn Middle School**, Trenton, NJ. October 2015 - December 2015

* Taught an extensive figure drawing unit to six different classes, including four sixth grade classes and two Learning Disabled classes of students from various grade levels. Students gained knowledge in the technical skill of figure drawing, culminating in the creation of a narrative comic book. Lessons incorporated curriculum content standards on the New Jersey State level as well as the National level, from Visual Arts and other disciplines. Class sizes ranged from 12 to 28 students.

*Student Teacher,* **Ambrit International School**, Rome, Italy. August 2015 - October 2015

* Taught lessons to first through fifth graders for the first seven weeks of the school year. Lessons included discussion of artists from various cultural backgrounds, challenging artmaking activities, and the use of technology. Lessons were centered on big ideas including abstraction, place, and perspective integrated with unit themes that students examined in their homeroom classes. Class sizes ranged from 17 to 21 students.

*Volunteer Printmaking Instructor*, **Artworks Trenton**. Trenton, NJ. July 2015.

* Taught one three-hour printmaking class to a group of students between the ages of five and ten years old. Assisted with technical skills, creative growth, and problem-solving in the realm of printmaking.

Junior Professional Experience – **Steinert High School East**, Hamilton, NJ. March 2015 - May 2015

* Taught a lesson on one-point perspective using contemporary New Orleans-based artist Terrance Osborne as a reference. Students used one-point perspective to create watercolor paintings of a place they felt personally connected to. The lesson included art history and technical lectures, demonstrations, one-on-one instruction, daily discussions and a cumulative critique. Lesson incorporated curriculum content standards on the New Jersey State level as well as the National level, from both Visual Arts and other disciplines.

Junior Professional Experience – **Antheil Elementary School**, Ewing, NJ. January 2015 – March 2015

* Taught a printmaking lesson to three different fifth grade classes that focused on studying the emotional connection to color and landscape. The lesson included contemporary artistic references, demonstrations, one-on-one instruction, and daily discussions. Lesson incorporated curriculum content standards on the New Jersey State level as well as the National level, from Visual Arts and other disciplines.

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT and COMMUNITY SERVICE**

* Advisory Council, Art Educators of New Jersey. November 2016-Present
	+ Worked to plan various Professional Development workshops for the Art Educator’s of New Jersey, and participated in the Mercer County Youth Art Month Exhibition.
* Project Homecoming, New Orleans, Louisiana - May 2015, May 2016
	+ Volunteered for one week on two occasions with Project Homecoming and TCNJ’s Alternative Break Club, helping to rebuild homes damaged by Hurricane Katrina.
* Islamic Center of Ewing – April 2016
	+ Volunteered at the Islamic Center of Ewing as part of an Islamic Art History class. Taught a lesson on Persian carpets to students from middle to high school, in which they examined the history of Persian carpets and engaged in a weaving artmaking activity.
* Volunteer at Artworks Trenton - Summer 2015
	+ Spent approximately one day per week at Artworks assisting with gallery tasks, various office work, and preparing for on-site classes.
* Artmaking Day, Artworks Trenton - April 2015
	+ Orchestrated a mosaic activity for a community-wide art event. Visitors worked to mosaic a recycled bench that inspired and ultimately became the focal point for a garden at Artworks Trenton.

**SKILLS**

* Experience with Adobe Photoshop and Final Cut Pro X

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

*Art Teacher (Faculty),* Ewing High School, Ewing, NJ. September 2016-Present

*Substitute Teacher*, Tabernacle, Medford, and Southampton School Districts, April – June 2016

*Certified Instructor*, **KidzArt**. Mercer County, NJ. February 2016-May 2016

*Gallery Assistant*, **The College of New Jersey Department of Art and Art History**. Ewing, NJ.

February 2016-May 2016