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EDUCATION

M.A.T., Elementary Education, 2009 (*pending*) Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island

B.A., Anthropology, 2002

Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island

Class of 1998

St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire

EXPERIENCE

August 2008-February 2009, Collections Assistant, Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Bristol, Rhode Island

Collaborated in ongoing reorganization, cataloging, and evaluation of a vast and important collection in anticipation of the museum's imminent relocation.

December 2006-Present, Marine Aquarium Hobbyist and Consultant

Advise, consult, and assist in the setup and maintenance of classroom aquariums and private tanks. Host live video and data feed of my own home marine reef system.

January 2007-June 2008, Private Math and Reading Tutor

Privately tutored a handful of former students, family friends, and other neighborhood elementary school students in math, technology, and science.

January 2007-June 2007, Student Teacher, The Wheeler School, Providence, Rhode Island

Co-taught 4.5 days per week in a fourth-grade class of 15 students, implementing daily lessons and assessments in math, science, reading, and writing, and leading morning meetings and other classroom routines. Led enriching chicken wing dissection science unit, promoting students' skills through the learning cycle and extensive use of technology.

August 2006-December 2006, Student Teacher, Bailey Elementary School, Providence, Rhode Island

Co-taught 2.5 days per week in an urban first-grade classroom of 26 students. Planned and taught an exciting and successful science unit, exposing students to the learning cycle through exploration of marine hermit crabs' eating preferences.

June 2006-August 2006, Co-Teacher, SummerPrep at Community Prep School, Providence, Rhode Island

Developed and implemented an academic enrichment program in a classroom of 18 rising sixth-graders. Explored the use of reader's theater as a tool for building comprehension, and taught a science unit on chromatography. Successfully encouraged student enthusiasm by presenting the entire science curriculum in an engaging forensic investigation scenario.

September 2005–June 2006, Assistant and Specials Teacher, Aerie Program, The Wheeler School, Providence, Rhode Island Taught lower and middle school students as a specialist in the Aerie Program, a school-wide enrichment program. Used two years of collegiate training in ancient Egyptian hieroglyphic to design and teach a comprehensive hieroglyphic unit.

January 2005-May 2005, Transition Staff, Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Bristol, Rhode Island

Helped build display hardware, transport and arrange artifacts, and assist with the opening of the Haffenreffer Museum's oncampus gallery at Manning Hall, which opened in May 2005.

April 2004-April 2006, Store Manager, Cargo, Providence, Rhode Island

Managed iconic outdoor clothing store in downtown Providence. Responsible for day-to-day operation of the store, including training new employees and managing customer service.

December 2003-June 2004, Policy Intern, Conservation Law Foundation, Providence, Rhode Island

Policy intern at notable New England environmental advocacy group. Researched and conducted interviews on relevant environmental issues, writing white papers intended for internal and public consumption.

Summer 2003, Jetties Beach Site Supervisor, Nantucket Community Sailing, Nantucket, Massachusetts

Managed sailboat and windsurf rental outfit. Taught group and private lessons, supervised youth lessons and water sports camp, and coordinated equipment maintenance. Participated in frequent beach clean-ups.

Spring 2003, Divemaster Candidate, Jack's Diving Locker, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

Earned professional PADI Divemaster SCUBA diving rating over the course of an intensive, full-time internship, teaching adults and children the science and techniques of scuba diving through direct instruction and practical experience.

Summer 2001, Research Assistant, Bellairs Research Institute, Barbados, West Indies

Worked to quantify differences in the reproductive output, predation, and overall success of the territorial bi-colored damselfish in different conditions. Helped to strengthen coral reef conservation efforts by determining which environmental characteristics respond best to protection efforts.

January-May 2001, Student Curator, Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Bristol, Rhode Island

Helped organize, design and install exhibit *Death*, *Defense*, *Distinction: Weapons and Power*. Earned valuable experience planning and installing a museum exhibit and working in a long-term group project intended to educate a wide audience.

Summer 2000, Research Assistant, Bermuda Maritime Museum, Bermuda

Excavated *North Carolina*, a 570-ton iron-hulled cargo ship built in Scotland in 1876 and sunk off Bermuda in 1880. Practiced underwater survey techniques and methods of archaeological preservation and restoration.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

April 2007

Participant at Brown University's annual No Teacher Left Behind Conference.

September 2006

Responsive Classroom One-Day Workshop at the Wheeler School with Brown MAT Program.

June 2006

Responsive Classroom One-Day Workshop at the Wheeler School with Wheeler faculty.

REFERENCES

Available upon request.