GPA: 3.83/4.00

Objective

Committed to improving student's lives and their proficiency in the English language. Passion for teaching, learning and student success. Desire to obtain a position as a teacher of English as a second language.

Education TEFL Certificate

LADO International College, Washington D.C., 2009

B.A. International Studies

Concentration: World Politics & Policy

Secondary Major: Spanish

Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University (Virginia Tech), Blacksburg, VA, 2008

Honors

- Summa Cum Laude
- Dean's List Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2007
- Member of Phi Beta Kappa, the most prestigious collegiate honor society in the U.S.
- Member & Historian of Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society

Experience ESL Teacher

14 hours, LADO International College, August, 2009

- Taught English as a second language to students from age 11 to adult for 14 hours
- Facilitated authentic language practice between students
- Successfully incorporated manipulatives, realia and visual aids into the lessons
- Promoted a fun and exciting learning environment
- Prepared and taught an original 2 hour grammar-based lesson

Language Partner

10 hours, Bridges International at Virginia Tech, 2006

- Taught English as a second language to a Chinese student
- Guided conversations in English
- Explained idiomatic expressions and cultural norms

Multi-cultural/international

- Lived in Venezuela for 15 years
- Acquired native like fluency in Spanish
- Studied at culturally diverse international schools
- Developed an appreciation for all cultures & languages
- Adapted to new environments with ease and flexibility

Employment Camp Counselor

Camp Lebanon, Minnesota, summer of 2007

Sacandaga Summer Camp, New York, summers of 2005 & 2006

- Supervised young people ranging from age 6 to age 17 for 24 hours a day each week
- Taught outdoor education seminars and classes
- Organized activities for developing team spirit among students
- Counseled children and teens to overcome potentially dangerous behavior or situations in their lives

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