OBJECTIVES

* As a recent university graduate with a passion for learning, teaching and travel, my objectives moving forward are to teach elementary and/or middle school aged children English abroad which will allow me to become a better teacher and work with children while exploring a vastly different country and culture from my own

EDUCATION

**Dalhousie University** Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

*Bachelor of Science – Honours Biology, Co-operative Education* Graduated May 2014

* First Class Honours (Thesis: Population structure and effective size of small populations of Brook Trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*) in Nova Scotia)
* GPA: 3.73/4.3
* In-course Scholarship (2011, 2012, 2013), Dalhousie Entrance Scholarship (2009)
* Dean’s List (Winter & Fall 2010, Summer & Winter 2012)
* Committee member of Dalhousie Association of Biology Students

**South Carleton High School** Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

*Graduated with Honours* Graduated June 2009

* Grade 11 and 12 Enriched English
* Member of Student Council

TEACHING-RELATED WORK AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

**Biology Department, Dalhousie University** Halifax, NS

*Teaching Assistant for Introductory Biology Labs* September 2013–April 2014

* Prepared and taught the laboratory component of an Introductory Biology course (BIOL 1010) to a class of 30 students weekly
* Graded assignments weekly

**Alex’s Safe Harbour** Dartmouth, NS

*Grief Support Group Facilitator Volunteer* September 2013–Present

* Facilitate free grief and bereavement support groups weekly to children (ages 5 -10) and teens (11 – 15) who have experienced the loss of a family member

**IWK Health Centre** Halifax, NS

*“Read To Me!” Literacy Program Volunteer* January 2013–Present

* Deliver and present literacy information, resources and books to newborns and their families in the hospital twice monthly as part of a province-wide literacy initiative

**IWK Health Centre** Halifax, NS *“Baby and Me” Literacy Program Volunteer* April 2014

* Helped lead a class teaching toddlers what to expect when their new baby sibling arrives

**Autism Nova Scotia** Halifax, NS

 *Social Group Leader (Volunteer)* September 2013–May 2013

* Facilitate weekly social gatherings for teenagers on the Autism spectrum to promote and encourage the development of social skills in a fun and interactive environment

**City of Ottawa** Ottawa, ON

*Dance Instructor* September 2008–May 2008

* While I was in high school, I taught tap and jazz dance to children aged 5 -10 weekly

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

**Ruzzante Lab, Biology Department, Dalhousie University** Halifax, NS

*Laboratory Technician* May 2013–July 2014

* Completed research for my honours thesis project including field sampling, DNA extraction and amplification through PCR, genotyping using gel electrophoresis and data analysis

**Chemistry Department, Dalhousie University** Halifax, NS

*Chemical Storage Facility Technician* September 2012–December 2012

* Dispensed organic solvents daily for research labs
* Prepped undergraduate laboratories daily for students
* Recorded inventory of stored organic chemicals using Excel

**Canadian Food Inspection Agency** Ottawa, ON

*Plant Health Risk Assessment Biologist* January 2012–April 2012

* Wrote risk assessments after performing appropriate research on commodities and their associated plant pests being imported/exported to/from Canada.
* Maintained and provided technical support for multiple databases used by the department

**Canadian Food Inspection Agency** Ottawa, ON

*Student Research Assistant* May 2011–August 2011

* Created, populated and maintained multiple databases
* Gave presentations to several groups of staff to demonstrate the use of the databases
* Drafted written procedures for use of maintaining and populating the databases