

EDUCATION

Initial Professional Teacher Education | University of Colorado Denver | December 2010
Elementary Education Licensure (application in process)

Bachelor of Arts | Metropolitan State College of Denver | May 2002
Major: Journalism (Photojournalism Emphasis)
Minor: Technical Communications

Associate of Arts | Arapahoe Community College | May 1999
English Emphasis

HOW I CAN HELP YOU

Social media savvy | Blogger | Expert in film and digital photographic processes and equipment | Funny
Macintosh and Windows-capable | Fluent in Adobe Creative Suite and Microsoft Office Suite | "Can do" attitude
Talented creative writer | Energetic and flexible learner | Strong oral communicator | Tireless work ethic

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teacher Candidate | Ryan Elementary School (Jeffco (Colo.) Public Schools) | January 2010 – December 2010
Co-taught in kindergarten, third grade, and fourth grade classrooms while completing coursework in classroom management, math instruction/assessment, literacy instruction/assessment, writing instruction/assessment, special education, educational law and ethics, science/social studies instruction, and pedagogy.

Teaching Highlights

- Used mentor texts to enhance writing instruction
- Used science journals to record student inquiry
- Used SMARTboard and document camera in instruction
- Completed CSAP proctor training
- Used guided and shared reading approaches
- TappedIn Co-Facilitator (online learning community)

FEATURED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Development Associate | Doctors Care | February 2011 – May 2011
Assisted with foundation grant proposals and reports; generated donor communications for general operating and capital support, including thank you letters and invitations; produced high quality photographic and written content for online and print materials; assisted with development database management

Advertising/Marketing Copywriter | Metropolitan State College of Denver | March 2008 – September 2009
Generated creative, strategic and targeted copy for advertising and marketing collateral; served as Assistant Editor for a tri-annual alumni magazine; produced multimedia and photographic content

Writer/Editor | Metropolitan State College of Denver | September 2007 – March 2008
Wrote feature and news stories for a weekly e-newsletter targeted at faculty and staff

Chief Photographer | Colorado Community Newspapers | May 2004 – May 2007
Collaborated with newsroom peers to produce effective sports, news, feature and enterprise photographs for printed products and adjoining online interfaces; wrote supporting copy as necessary

Contract Photographer | Castle Rock (Colo.) Daily Star | April 2003 to December 2004
Produced sports, news and feature photographs as assigned

Account Assistant | Schenkein Public Relations | January 2001 to April 2001
Researched media contacts and contributed to strategic approaches to support internal account teams working with a range of clients, including Home Depot and United Airlines

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

AmeriCorps Volunteer | Ryan Elementary School | January 2010 – August 2010

Completed 450 hours as a teacher candidate in kindergarten, third grade, and fourth grade classrooms

Grant Leader | Ryan Elementary School | May 2010

Wrote an AmeriCorps grant proposal (awarded) to purchase a complete set of Caldecott Award-winning books

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Weekly Newspaper Class 3 (circulation of 4,001 and greater)

First Place | "Best Sports Photograph" | 2006 Colorado Press Association

Second Place | "Best News Photograph" | 2006 Colorado Press Association

Second Place | "Best Story/Picture Combo" | 2006 Colorado Press Association

First Place | "Best Sports Photograph" | 2005 Colorado Press Association

First Place | "Best News Photograph" | 2005 Colorado Press Association

Second Place | "Best Story/Picture Combo" | 2005 Colorado Press Association

Third Place | "Best Story/Picture Combo" | 2005 Colorado Press Association

Weekly Newspaper Class 2 (circulation of 1,751 to 4,000)

First Place | "Best Photo Essay" | 2004 Colorado Press Association

Admissions Advertising Awards

Gold | "New Media: Washington, D.C. Experience Blog" | 24th Annual Awards

Gold | "Newspaper Ad Series: Chronicle of Higher Education Faculty Recruitment Campaign" | 24th Annual Awards

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request