

## SECONDARY EDUCATION

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- OBJECTIVE** Seeking a high school English teaching position with opportunities for sponsoring extracurricular activities to facilitate and stimulate the intellectual growth of my students and further my personal development as an educator.
- EDUCATION** Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN  
*Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude*– May 2006  
Major: English Minor: Secondary Education  
Cumulative GPA: 3.73/4.00  
International Studies Semester: Cambridge, England, Fall 2005
- CERTIFICATION**
- Standard 5-year Senior High/Junior High/Middle School
  - Indiana Rules 46-47
  - Applied for Michigan Certification, Spring 2006
- HONORS**
- Vera Sieb Scholarship, 2005-2006
  - Lumina Award, 2005
  - Kappa Delta Pi – National Education Honor Society
  - Sigma Tau Delta – National English Honor Society
  - Dean’s List, all semesters
  - Alpha Lambda Delta – Freshman Honor Society
- TEACHING EXPERIENCE**
- Fall 2005 Lake Central High School, St. John, IN  
*Student Teacher, Eleventh Grade*  
Responsibilities included full-time teaching; devising language and thematic lessons pertaining to American Literature and implementing additional resources geared toward ESL students and the hearing impaired; maintaining classroom control; administering tests; and evaluating student progress.
- Fall 2005 Krueger Middle School, Michigan City, IN  
*Field Experience, Seventh Grade*  
Fieldwork included tutoring individual students, participating in faculty team planning, and supervising field trips.
- Spring 2005 Portage High School, Portage, IN  
*Field Experience, Tenth and Twelfth Grades*  
Observed classes in American Literature and The Contemporary Novel. Responsibilities included devising weekly lesson plans, part-time teaching, evaluating student progress, and assisting the classroom teacher.

**RELATED  
EXPERIENCE**

Spring 2004

**Runnin' Rebels After School Program, Gary, IN**

*Tutor*

Tutored 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students in English and History. Mentored children with special needs from underprivileged settings.

Fall 2005 to  
Spring 2006

**The Caring Place, Valparaiso, IN**

*Volunteer*

Trained to perform scenarios to deal with sexual and domestic abuse. Role-played skits within local school districts for middle and high school students.

**OTHER  
EXPERIENCE**

Summers 2003-2005

**Kohl's, Sterling Heights, MI**

*Sales Associate*

Stocked and inventoried luggage, toys, and seasonal merchandise. Maintained order and cleanliness within department. Answered questions and assisted customers. Enhanced teamwork skills.

Summers 2000-2002

**Chesterfield Crossing Cinema 12, Chesterfield, MI**

*Sales Associate*

Served refreshments in a prompt and courteous manner. Replenished candy cases, popcorn bins, and condiment displays.

**ACTIVITIES**

- Mortar Board: Vice President, 2005-2006
- Senior Planning Council: Public Relations, 2005-2006
- Gospel Choir, 2005-2006
- Kappa Delta Pi: Secretary, 2005-2006
- National Council of Teachers of English: President, 2005-2006
- "The Lighter": Literary Magazine Selection Committee, 2002-2006
- Valparaiso Union Board, 2002-2006
- House Council, Scheele Hall, 2003-2004

**SKILLS**

- Proficient with Microsoft Word XP
- Knowledge of basic web page layout
- Experience with Hyperstudio 4.5

**CREDENTIALS**

**Teacher Placement Office**

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