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EDUCATION

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES SUMMER SEMINAR, El Paso, Texas

July 2019

Tales from the Chihuahuan Desert: Borderlands Narratives about Identity and Binationalism

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND GALWAY, Galway, Ireland

August 2018

Master of Arts, Culture and Colonialism

First-class Honours

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla, WA

May 2011

Bachelor of Arts, English; minor in Spanish Major GPA **3.7/4.0**, Cumulative GPA **3.6/4.0**

INSTITUTE FOR STUDY ABROAD, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Feb. 2010 – July 2010

Participated in semester-long Spanish language immersion program

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

EDMONDS-WOODWAY HIGH SCHOOL, Edmonds, WA

Aug. 2013 – Present

TEACHER: 9TH, 10TH, 11TH, AND 12TH GRADES

- Curriculum: 9th grade Honors English, 10th grade Honors English, 11th and 12th grade International Baccalaureate (IB) Literature and IB Language and Literature
- Instruct five classes of high school students, sized between 18 and 34 students per class, in publicly-funded IB-magnet school with a strong college-going culture for grades 9-12.
- Develop culturally-relevant, developmentally-appropriate lesson plans with a focus on nurturing students' awareness of the power of individuality and the necessity to positively shape the world through selfexpression.

COORDINATOR: WRITING CENTER

Sep. 2014 – Present

• Recruit, train, and advise 30 upperclassmen to volunteer as tutors after school twice a week to EWHS students needing assistance with the writing process for English, History, and Science writing assignments.

FOUNDER: WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Dec. 2018 – Present

• Coordinated the gathering of staff members concerned with the mental and emotional well-being of the student population, work to brainstorm around root issues, explore resources, leverage community connections, and address the practical and school-culture realities contributing to student anxiety and depression levels.

DEBATE COACH Nov. 2013 – June 2017

• Served as founding advisor of debate club, transitioned club of eight students to competitive team of 35 students who attended seven or more meets per year, sending eight students to State in the 2016-17 season.

CO-ADVISOR: WORK HARD / PLAY LATER

Sep. 2013 – June 2014

• Through parent, teacher, and statistical input enrolled a group of 15 freshmen in danger of failing to graduate in four years in an after-school class. Recruited, trained, and advised a group of 20 upperclassmen to volunteer as tutors to support the organizational and educational well-being and on-time graduation of the freshmen.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

• Scholarship Committee, Member

Aug. 2018 – Present

• EWHS Girls' Soccer: Head Coach, Junior Varsity; Asst. Coach, Varsity

Season 2016

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. EARLY COLLEGE, Denver, CO

Aug. 2011 - May 2013

TEACHER: 10TH, 11TH AND 12TH GRADES

- Curriculum: American Literature, World Literature, Honors World Literature
- Instruct four classes of high school students in publicly-funded, Title I, innovation status school with a strong college-readiness culture and focus for grades 6-12.

COLLEGE SUMMIT TEACHER

Aug. 2012 – May 2013

• Lead a small group of seniors in improving their leadership skills, with a particular focus on understanding the

• Held multiple day-long college application and scholarship drives for the senior class, (100 students,) and increased completed college and scholarship applications compared to the same time previous year by 25%.

COORDINATOR: INTERNATIONAL BOOK SHARING PROJECT

Aug. 2011 – June 2012

• Worked with IBSP program managers to lead students in reading Elie Wiesel's *Night* alongside partner class of Israeli students, facilitating online discussion and increasing global awareness and understanding.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

• Member: School Governing Board

Nov. 2011 – May 2013

Head Coach: Middle School Girls' Soccer

Spring 2013

• Asst. Coach: Middle School Boys' Soccer

Fall 2012

TEACH FOR AMERICA, Colorado, USA

MEMBER: PACIFIC NORTHWEST RECRUITMENT TEAM

Sept. 2012 – June 2013

• Serve as representative to whom the TFA full-time staff in the Pacific Northwest direct interested applicants for informational phone calls.

COMMITTEE MEMBER: COLORADO LEGACY CAMPAIGN

Dec. 2012 – June 2013

• Plan events and strategies to encourage the 2011 Colorado corps to make a last impact on the region by financially supporting the continuation of the TFA Colorado corps.

WHITMAN COLLEGE WRITING CENTER, Walla Walla, WA

TUTOR: UNDERGRADUATE ENGLISH

Aug. 2010 - May 2011

• Provided support to students seeking stylistic or organizational aid on papers.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

FOUNDER AND ORGANIZER, SEATTLE HI-FIVE CLASSIC, Seattle, WA

July 2016 – *Present*

- Organized, secured sponsorship for, promoted, and executed adult soccer tournament to benefit Girls Gotta Run Foundation, a non-profit which provides athletic and academic scholarships to teen girls in Ethiopia.
- Raised \$2,500 and registered over 100 participants in first two events, October 2016 and September 2018.

WHITMAN COLLEGE VARSITY SOCCER, Walla Walla, WA

Aug. 2007 – Nov. 2010

- Organized and led week-long soccer day camp; taught soccer fundamentals to youth ages 5 through 13.
- Served as Team's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Representative all four years.
- Awards: All-Conference Honorable Mention 2007, 2008; Most Inspirational 2009; Most Improved 2007

STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Walla Walla, WA

MEMBER: EXECUTIVE BOARD

Aug. 2007 – Dec. 2009

 Oversaw committee responsible for promoting athletic events and fundraising efforts to benefit athleticallybased charities in the Walla Walla community.

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL, Walla Walla, WA

VICE PRESIDENT: PROGRAMMING

Jan. 2009 - Dec. 2009

- Organized educational and entertaining programs for sorority and campus-wide communities.
- Planned successful Greek Weekend for campus Greek groups, approx. 500 students, including Service Day.
- Created new social and philanthropic events and increased participation by 20% from previous years.

DELTA GAMMA FRATERNITY, Walla Walla, WA

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

Jan. 2009 – Dec. 2009

- Advertised for Delta Gamma's social and philanthropic events on campus and in the local community
- Maintained open and cordial contact with students, faculty, and wider Walla Walla area.

ACADEMIC HONORS

ORDER OF OMEGA

• Honorary recognizing 16 Greek seniors with a minimum 3.4 GPA who held a major leadership position in a Greek organization and demonstrated campus and community involvement.

2011