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# EDUCATION

**Westfield State University**, Westfield, MA Bachelor of Science in Education, May 2018 *Specialization*: English and Reading

# LICENSURE

Elementary Education, 1-6 (In Progress)

* Passed all sections of MA Tests for Educator Licensure
* SEI Endorsement

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Edward Ellington Elementary School**, Springfield, MA Spring 2018 Third Grade Practicum

* Demonstrated ability to teach in a multicultural third grade class of 28 students
* Developed and taught lessons in all curriculum areas with whole class, small groups, and cooperative groups
* Assessed special needs; Devised and instituted individualized academic and behavioral intervention programs for students
* Designed and implemented a 5 week unit on nutrition and integrated a variety of skills
* Participated in curriculum planning, faculty meetings, and parent conferences

**Kensington Avenue Magnet School**, Springfield, MA Fall 2017 First Grade Pre-Practicum

* Aided a bilingual teacher in a first grade inclusion classroom
* Designed and implemented lessons that incorporated the needs of different levels of English language learners
* Attended a Responsive Classroom seminar and applied the philosophy in practice
* Introduced reading and writing process to all students including English language learners

**Alfred Zanetti Montessori Elementary School,** Springfield, MA Spring 2017 Second Grade Pre-Practicum

* Worked in a classroom of 2nd grade students
* Assisted special needs children in classroom and recreation setting
* Facilitated guided discovery that incorporated life and beginner language skills

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**Windsor State Street Elementary School**, Windsor, VT Winter 2015 - Spring 2016 **Hartland Elementary School***,* Hartland, VT Winter 2015 - Spring 2016 Substitute Teacher

* Worked with grades K-8 and implemented teacher’s lesson plans
* Supervised fourth grade field trip to science museum and applied behavior management techniques
* Assumed the responsibilities of a special educator in various assignments

# RELATED EXPERIENCE

**Washington Elementary School**, Springfield, MA Fall 2015 – Fall 2017 Tutor

* Guided 15 first grade students in after-school program
* Focused on beginner reading, writing and mathematics for students learning English as a second language
* Shared progress reports with the students as well as with their guardians
* Structured each personalized lesson as an extension of the last, allowing each student to progress at their own rate, in alignment with each student’s level

**Alfred Zanetti Montessori Elementary School,** Springfield, MA Fall 2017 Volunteer Tutor

* Demonstrated role-model behavior and provided positive encouragement to an at-risk 10-year-old boy
* Tutored and motivated the student through individual instruction three days a week

**YMCA,** Springfield, MA

Senior Camp Counselor Summer 2017

Camp Counselor Summers 2015, 2016

* Coordinated day camp for children from the ages of 6-12
* Facilitated meeting with all camp counselors
* Programmed and delivered daily activities for the 9-12 year-old group
* Shared responsibility of groups up to 21 children with co-counselors
* Participated in the planning of all camp activities such as field trips, theme days, family nights and award ceremonies

# CERTIFICATIONS

CPR/First Aid, American Red Cross Lifeguard, Small Boats and Water Craft Certified

# SKILLS

*Computer Skills*: Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite, Smartboard Technology, ELMO

*Language Skills*: Conversational Spanish

