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Education

- New York State Union of Teachers Education and Learning Trust Sept 2012-June 2013
- Initial Certificate Students with Disabilities (Special Education) K-6 June 2013
 - Initial Certificate Students with Disabilities (Special Education) 7-12 June 2013
 - Initial Certificate Social Studies 7-12 June 2013
- State University of New York Albany Sept 2012-May 2013
- Masters of Science in Instructional Technology and Curriculum Development
 - GPA 3.85
 - Graduation May 2013 Summa Cum Laude
- State University of New York Cortland Sept 2009 - May 2012
- Bachelors of Science in Childhood Education
 - GPA 4.0
 - Graduation May 2012 Summa Cum Laude
 - Initial Certificate Childhood Education 1-6 June 2012
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Teaching Experience

- South Hill Elementary School - Ithaca City School District (ICSD)
- Elementary Teacher (Fifth Grade)** September 2013 - June 2014
- Taught 20 fifth graders, 8 with an IEP
 - Created and managed a 150+ page classroom curriculum website (www.mr-vango.com)
 - Technology Mentor for South Hill Elementary and ICSD
 - Site Based Council Committee Member for South Hill Elementary
 - 1:1 District Initiative Committee Member for ICSD
 - Planned and co-taught with a special education teacher 90 min per day
 - Highlighted by superintendant as "classroom of the future"
 - Initiated and piloted 1:1 ChromeBook classroom for district
 - Selected to pilot Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program at South Hill Elem.
- Canisteo-Greenwood Elementary School January 2013 - June 2013
- Long-Term Substitute Kindergarten Teacher**
- Taught 20 kindergarten children in a high-needs district, 5 with an IEP
 - Developed and implement targeted instruction aligned with the Common Core
 - Planned and co-taught with a special education teacher 90 min per day
 - Fostered a classroom environment of learning and excellent teacher/student interaction
 - Participated in Afterschool Academic Assistance Program 3 times per week
- Schools in the Ithaca Area Jan 2011 - June 2012
- Student Teaching Experiences**
- Freeville Elementary, student teacher first grade
 - Cayuga Heights Elementary, student teacher fourth grade
- Provo High School Sept 2008 - May 2009
- Special Education Para-Educator, Teacher Aide**
- Daily implementation of Individual Education Program (IEP)

- Taught students with non-verbal autism, Down's syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Schizophrenia, and more.

Honors

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| Ithaca City School District | May 2014 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom featured in NYS School Board Association's publication <i>On Board Magazine</i> | |
| SUNY Cortland | Sept 2009 – May 2012 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honors Convocation recipient yearly • President's List recipient yearly • Dean's List recipient yearly • 2012 Ranked # 7 of Senior Class • 2012 Ranked #4 of 846 in the Childhood Education Program | |
| Provo High School | May 2009 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Teacher of the Month" award | |

Professional Development

Sept 2008 – Present

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| Ithaca City School District | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 hour Responsive Classroom training • 30 hour EngageNY ELA Module training • Facilitated school seminar for using technology to engage students in the classroom • Created/involved in district-wide workshops focused on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Utilizing a single iPad, and its benefits in the classroom ○ Creative ways to use an EnoBoard (IWB) | |
| Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructed Canisteo-Greenwood faculty members methods of using technology in the classroom • Collaborated with grade-level team in weekly Professional Learning Community (PLC) | |
| Provo High School | Sept 2008 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing Aggressive Students Successfully (MASS) training | |

Volunteer Experience

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| Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints | Nov 2005 – Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional secretary for youth program • Created and facilitated activities for youth ages 12-18 • Created and taught weekly lessons to children ages 4-5, including special needs children | |
| Special Olympics | Nov 2011 – Apr 2012 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteered for swimming practice and meets | |

Skills & Interests

- Technologically Proficient in: Website Creation and Design, Digital Photography, Photoshop, Web 2.0 Tools, Microsoft Office, Wikis, Promethean ActivInspire, Smart Board, Mac, iOS, Windows & Chrome OS, Prezi, ELMO, Edmodo, iPad, Chromebook, iMovie, ARCGIS, Weebly, Imagine Learning, Google Earth, Socrative
- Developing an online program that collects open source Common Core materials across the web, housing them in one location for teachers and students to utilize freely
- Outdoor sports (hiking, skiing, bouldering, backpacking, canoeing)
- Nature and macro photography