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## Key Qualifications

- Highly accomplished educational leader with a passion for serving others, and health and fitness. With years of public and customer service experience, focused on positive experiences and conflict resolution, skilled in community support through Facebook groups, passionate and driven with strong time management and problem solving skills.

## Education

*East Carolina University*

Greenville, NC

- Bachelors of Fine Arts in Art Education, concentrating in Metal Design
  - Cumulative GPA: 3.94/4.00
  - Graduated Summa Cum Laude
  - Licensure in K-12 Art Education

May 2013

## Experience

***Pitt County Schools: Chicod School, Greenville, NC***

Aug. 2013- Present

- 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visual Art Teacher
  - Educated students on how to think like artists, believe in their potential, and develop their critical thinking and problem solving skills

***East Carolina University: Writing Center, Greenville, NC***

Aug. 2010- May 2013

- Writing Consultant
  - Facilitated collage students on the development of their own writing process though mentoring and personal one on one tutoring

***Greenville Museum of Art (GMA), Greenville, NC***

Aug. 2010- Present

- Weekend Attendant & Preparation Assistant
  - Taught crafts and quick projects to children of all ages to promote, delight, and invite patrons to visit and enjoy the museum

***Starbucks Coffee Corporation, Cary, NC***

Oct. 2007- Aug. 2010

- Barista
  - Made quality beverages for patrons and learned how to provide excellent customer service to every customer served

## Applicable Skills

- Proficient with G-mail, other e-mail applications, and sending professional quality e-mails
- Capable with Facebook groups and establishing community connections on social media
- Skilled in conflict resolution, critical observation, and adapting to professional requirements
- Experienced in creativity development, divergent thinking, and idea generation techniques
- Great written, oral, and presentation communication skills
- Practiced at compiling data for growth and assessment
- Accomplished in the creation of high quality lessons for teaching skills

## Leadership and Honors

- **Head Coach for Chicod's Cross Country Team** Aug. 2016- Nov. 2016
  - Led a team of middle school boys and girls to an undefeated and 2<sup>nd</sup> place seasons, and helped create a life long love for health and fitness through running
- **Kenan Fellowship: Students Discover- Shark Teeth Forensics (\$25,000)** May 2015
  - Developed new, relevant and engaging educational materials to be used in my classroom, the school system, the state, and beyond



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- **Chicod School's PBIS Encore Chair** Aug. 2015- Current
    - Worked with other teachers to create positive behavior interventions and supports (PBIS), which are proactive strategies for defining, teaching, and supporting appropriate student behavior to create a positive school environment
  - **Selected for Pitt County's Key Beginning Teacher Program** Aug. 2015- June 2016
    - Program that works with highly effective beginning teachers to train and support them to become more effective leaders
    - Taught additional soft skills for dealing with difficult interactions with parents, students, and other adults
  - **Chicod School's Beginning Teacher of the Year** March 2015
  - **NC Art Educators Association Region One Chair** Oct. 2014- Dec. 2016
    - Regional leader for art educators for the north eastern region of NC
  - **Student Speaker at ECU's School of Art & Design Graduation Ceremony** May 2013
  - **North Carolina Teaching Fellow (\$26,000)** May 2009
    - Four year scholarship program providing enhanced experiences for High School seniors set to become teachers through additional course work, summer activities, and volunteer work

## Professional Development

### **Presenter**

- National Biology Teachers Conference Nov. 2016
  - Shark Tooth Forensics: Using STEAM to Power 21<sup>st</sup> Century Classrooms
- North Carolina Art Education Association Annual Conference Oct. 2016
  - Paleo-Art: Fossils, Sharks, and Science
  - Powerful S.T.E.A.M Lessons
- Pitt County's Beginning Teacher Orientation Aug. 2014
  - How I Improved: Classroom Management & Procedures
- North Carolina Art Education Association Annual Conference Oct. 2013
  - Observation and STEAM Education: Creative Botanical Field Guides
- State of NC Undergraduate Research & Creativity Symposium Nov. 2012
  - Topic: A Lesson in Metallurgy: STEM Education through Art
- North Carolina Space Grant Fellows and Scholars Symposium Nov. 2012
  - Topic: A Lesson in Metallurgy: STEM Education through Art
- North Carolina Art Education Association Annual Conference Nov. 2012
  - Topic: STEAM Education through Metallurgy

### **Attendee**

- EF Tours 4- Day Intro to Global Education Course in Madrid, Spain Nov. 2016
- "Slide Certified" by the Ron Clark Academy Teacher Education Program March 2012
- ECU Metal Design Symposium, "Merging Materials" Jan. 2012
- Graduate from NC Outward Bound: NCTF 4-Day NC Wilderness Course July 2011
- NC Art Education Association Annual Conferences 2009-2015
- Certification Class: "Stewards of Children: Child Sexual Abuse Prevention" March 2010

