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Professional Profile

- Supportive, motivational educator with a multi-cultural, student-centered orientation
- Dedicated to professional excellence and life-long learning
- Committed to fostering students' skills and responsive to different learning styles and ability levels
- Continually strive to improve instruction methods and techniques
- Work well under pressure and cope effectively with challenges and change
- Fluent in spoken Mandarin; basic command of reading and writing
- Warm, personable and creative

Elementary Teaching Experience

Teaching Practicum

2012

Pearson Road Elementary, Kelowna, B.C.

- Taught grade 3 Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, P.E., Computers, Art, and Routines
- Handled all lesson planning and assessments and established classroom routines
- Promoted a positive, student-centered learning environment that met the needs of a socioeconomically and culturally diverse classroom
- Created SmartBoard files as an interactive teaching tool to engage students on a daily basis
- Designed engaging audiobook and visual materials to motivate students' learning
- Improved overall class interaction through individual and group learning and various class management techniques

Teaching Practicum

2011

Heritage Christian School, Kelowna, B.C.

- Taught grade 5 Social Studies, Science, Religion, Art, and Penmanship
- Handled lesson planning, assessments and classroom management of the subjects taught
- Focused on hands-on, cross-curricular, and project-based learning
- Motivated Art students to explore various art approaches, which led to one student's work being published in the local newspaper
- Taught students about the Government of Canada and adjudicated a mock electoral process

Part-time Mandarin Conversation Teacher

2013-Current

Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey, B.C.

- Prepare conversation lessons for a first year Mandarin course lab
- Employ various language instruction methods to teach accurate pronunciation

Private Tutor

2013-Current

Vancouver, B.C.

- Provide support to elementary students in a variety of subjects and ESL lessons to adults
- Help students to improve their Math grades and spark an interest in reading

Part-time Contract Teacher's Assistant

2012-Current

Art Mania operates North and West Vancouver elementary schools, North and West Vancouver, BC

- Provide one-on-one support in extra-curricular art lessons to students from kindergarten to grade 7
- Promote a cooperative and respectful environment by instilling core social values in students

Education

Bachelor of Education

2010-2012

University of British Columbia Okanagan, Kelowna, B.C.

Concentration in Elementary Education

Bachelor of Arts

University of British Columbia Okanagan, Kelowna, B.C. 2006-2009

Majored in Sociology and Minor in History

University of Calgary, Calgary, A.B.

2003-2006

Majored in Sociology

Other Skills and Experiences

- First Aid Community Care, valid until August 2015
- Attended various teaching workshops, including: *UBC Faculty of Education Department of Language* and Literacy Education: *UBC Summer Institute in Chinese Language Education (2010)*, and Hanban Teacher Education and Training (2011).
- Thorough knowledge of Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite and video production software (including Apple iMovie and Windows Movie Maker; Comfortable with many different operating systems, including Windows and Mac OS.