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Education

- Fairleigh Dickinson University - Madison, NJ February 2021
- *Master of Fine Arts; Creative Writing & Literature*
- DePaul University - Chicago, IL June 2012
- *Master of Arts; Journalism GPA 3.47*
 - *Graduate Certificate in Women and Gender Studies*
 - *Additional Concentration in Sports Reporting*
- Texas A&M University - College Station, TX May 2010
- *Bachelor of Arts in English*

Certifications

	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Valid Date</u>
English Language Arts and Reading - (Grades 8-12)	01/01/21	12/31/26
English as a Second Language Supplemental - (Grades 8-12)	01/01/21	12/31/26

Professional Experience

Teacher, Department Head – 9-12 English Literature

Bryan ISD – James Earl Rudder High School
Bryan, TX

June 2014 to Present

- During my tenure I have served in the following positions: Freshman volleyball coach and a 9th/10th grade ELA classroom teacher; 11th Grade ELA classroom teacher; CTE Department's Business English classroom teacher; ELA Department Chair from August 2019 up to the present day; Mentor Coordinator; general member of the Campus PBIS Committee; Committee leader for the PBIS Attendance sub-committee; IGC Committee Member; 2020 Textbook Adoption Committee Member.

DUTIES:

- Plan, compose, and produce creative and engaging lesson plans across curriculum levels.
- Coordinate and lead a team of teachers in implementing new teaching strategies and methods.
- Developed and implemented an efficient method for using a standards-based grading method.
- Planned daily team meetings, department meetings, and various sub-committee meetings.
- Attended numerous professional development trainings, including the training for the College Board and Springboard Pre AP Instructions, the 30 Hr. GT Initial Credit Trainings, as well multiple NMSI Laying the Foundation Summer Institute trainings for ELA.

Communications Specialist/Coordinator & Webmaster

Texas A&M Health Science Center School of Rural Public Health
College Station, TX

June 2012 to June 2014

- Write & edit copy for press releases and features relating to the various departments within the college; Edit and contribute content for the website as well as monitor & approve content for the web created by contributors within the college.
- Work directly with the director of communications on event coordination, and web re-design
- Received a promotion & a 10 percent raise in salary after a year with the school; Given managerial duties over our communications intern.