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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Graduate teacher, experienced tutor and boarding house supervisor who empowers students to excel academically and personally. Dedicated to providing inclusive and differentiated learning environments which nurture student creativity, self-efficacy, and skills mastery.

To hear more about my teaching philosophy and view evidence of my teaching competency, please visit my Professional Portfolio at: https://meredithlyoungmy.wixsite.com/website

ATTRIBUTES

- Secondary education
- Kind and empathetic educator
- High academic standards
- Supportive learning environments
- Managing classroom for diversity
- Differentiated instruction
- Critical and creative thinking
- Inquiry-based learning

CERTIFICATIONS

- TESOL Certificate
- First Aid Certificate
- Child-Related Employment Screening
- Responding to Abuse and Neglect Training
- Food Handlers Certificate

AFFILIATIONS

Member, SAETA, 2019 to Current Member, HTASA, 2020 to Current Member, AEU, 2018 to Current

EDUCATION

Flinders University

Bedford Park, SA • 2019

Master of Teaching (Secondary)

- Specialisations in English (7-12), History (7-12) and HASS (7-10)
- GPA 6.85
- Awarded Chancellor's Letter of Commendation for outstanding academic achievement

Flinders University

Bedford Park • 2016

Graduate Certificate in TESOL

GPA 6.75

University Of Melbourne

Parkville, VIC • 2014

Bachelor of Arts

- Majors: English and Theatre Studies; Ancient World Studies
- Minor: Philosophy
- Dean's Honours List in Bachelor of Arts Level 2, Awarded 2013
- Awarded The Mary O'Donoghue Prize, 2012
- Awarded The Marion Boothby Exhibition, 2012
- Weighted Average Mark 82.952

Westminster School

Marion, SA • 2004

High School Diploma

- ATAR 98.95
- · Merits for Classics and Visual Art Studies

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2020 Building Community in the Classroom, AEU SA 2020 Getting a Head Start Workshop, AEU SA 2019 Early-Career Teachers Workshop, SAETA 2019 Flinders University Horizon Award, Silver

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Conservation Volunteers Australia, 2018-Current (sporadic)

 Tree planting, weeding and nursery work

Youth With a Mission, 2005-2008 (full time)

- Helped social workers and church leaders build, coordinate and lead programs supporting school-age adolescents, including ATSI students
- Shared valuable life experiences with youths aged 12 to 16 to promote positive self-esteem and improve social skills
- Managed the preparation and delivery of 100-200 meals per day in the community kitchen
- Delivered training to workers in food preparation to promote strong team performance

Kaligat & The Rainbow School, Kolkata, India, Jan 2005

- Prepared meals and fed patients
- · Laundered and cleaned facilities
- Played with orphaned children

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

St. John's Grammar - International Living Precinct Supervisor Belair, SA • 07/2019 - Current

- · Supervision and academic guidance of students
- Ensuring students maintain appropriate standards of living
- Overnight supervision of students
- Facilitating positive and inclusive living environment
- Organising and facilitating weekend and holiday activities
- Supporting students to resolve conflict
- Working independently and within team to ensure precinct is safe, harmonious and organised.

Tutoring For Excellence - Tutor

Melbourne, VIC • 07/2017 - 11/2019

- Prepared lesson plans to meet goals identified in students' individualised study plans
- Developed student confidence though attentive instruction in English and Humanities subjects, applying positive reinforcement strategies
- Structured activities for interactive learning, including word analysis, reading understanding and fluency skills
- Tracked learning progress in order to identify opportunities to enhance tutoring methods and help students achieve learning goals
- Integrated technology into sessions to further enhance student learning.

Tectura Architects - Writer and Administration Assistant Melbourne, VIC • 07/2017 - 11/2018

- Completed research into assigned topics to write in authoritative manner
- Proofread copy written by colleagues to correct spelling, punctuation and grammar
- · Curated content for website and social media postings
- Performed various administrative functions, including filing paperwork, delivering mail, printing, binding, bookkeeping and office cleaning
- Managed approximately 35 incoming calls and emails per day from clients.

The Alderman - Duty Manager

Melbourne, VIC • 10/2015 - 11/2017

- Poured and prepared mixed drinks for over 100 customers daily and created new libations to draw in clientele
- Prepared custom and a-la-carte drink orders by accurately measuring and mixing house ingredients
- Managed bar inventory, restocked supplies and placed orders for spirits, beer, wines and mixers.

Baretto Espresso Bar - Duty Manager

Melbourne, VIC • 10/2011 - 12/2014

- Directed 7-10 staff in daily running of fast-paced cafe
- Opened and closed location and monitored shift changes to uphold successful operations

- Customised training strategies based on individual barista knowledge, experience and strengths
- Used strong interpersonal skills to elevate staff morale and resolve conflicts
- Handled guest complaints and offered complimentary services to maintain high guest satisfaction
- Managed accurate register and produced daily sales reports backing up inventory usage numbers.

Disney Online Studios Canada - Player Support Representative Kelowna, BC, Canada • 08/2009 - 09/2011

- Worked with global clients to provide exceptional player support service for MMO, Club Penguin
- Moderated player activity, identified and reported online safety concerns, vetted player names, and responded to fan mail
- Managed approximately 120 emails per day
- Supported customer needs by fielding diverse questions about issues such as available merchandise, current prices and upcoming company changes
- Entered customer interaction details in in-house software to track requests, document problems and record solutions offered.

PROFESSIONAL REFEREES

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