

Brittney Christy
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Education

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND, Ph.D. English Studies, In Progress

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND, M.A. English Studies, May 2015

Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, B.A. English; French, April 2008, Magna Cum Laude

Professional Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant, U. of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND Aug. 2013 - present

During the school year, I teach critical thinking, academic argument, and technical writing. I instruct students on many workplace genres including grants, progress reports, recommendation reports, memos, letters of introduction, resumes, and editorials. Following observations, my supervisors have praised my classroom management skills and ability to hold students' attention. Most current student evaluations available on my website.

Visiting Lecturer, American College of Norway, Moss, Norway Jan. 2017 - May 2017

The American College of Norway (ACN) utilizes the same composition courses as the University of North Dakota (UND). For this position, I taught two sections of College Composition II (Writing for Public Audiences) and one section of Introduction to Creative Writing, both courses I have taught at UND. In designing the courses for this semester, I took special consideration of the student's unique position as skilled but not native English speakers.

Office Administrator, Downtown Dental Associates, Portland, OR Mar. 2010-Aug. 2013

In this position, I balanced customer service with long-term projects. My primary service was answering questions from patients, collecting payment, and acting as an insurance liaison. I also worked on several writing projects in the office, including rewriting our web content, editing internal documents, writing insurance letters, and creating document templates for future use. I served on the marketing committee and received "Employee of the Month" several times.

Writing Tutor, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN Sept. 2007 - Apr. 2008

I worked with students on a variety of writing strategies, assisting with broad issues such as research methods but also close editing and style and mechanics work. During my time as a tutor, several students began coming to me regularly, including one student with a learning disability. My superiors praised my tenacity, patience, and ability to anticipate students' needs based on patterns in their writing.

Women's Studies Dept. Intern, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN Sept. 2006 - Apr. 2008

My primary duties were to act as a liaison between the department and the student body, to plan and host events, and to write a semi-annual newsletter. While serving as an intern, I started a book club, initiated and hosted a feminism discussion forum, and introduced new events to the Women's History Month calendar.

Skills

- Proficient in Word, Excel, Outlook; PC and Mac; Some Photoshop Experience
- Type 80 WPM
- Technical writing and editing
- Newsletter and web content writing
- Moderate speaking, reading, and writing ability in French
- Valid driver's license with good record, reliable transportation

Activities and Volunteer Work

- UND Writer's Conference Volunteer, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018
- Voices of the Valley Writing Project, 2015 and 2018
- Invited to participate in course planning for Eng. 130, UND, Spring 2015
- Selected to present Eng. 130 Course development to UND composition faculty, Fall 2014
- Guest Lecture, 501L Teaching Lab, UND, Fall 2014
- UND Model UN Participant, "Crisis in the Ukraine," Fall 2014
- Planning committee for tri-college Women in Action conference, Fall 2006 - Spring 2007
- Student teaching, art classroom and ESL classroom, 2005-2006
- Hurricane Katrina Cleanup Volunteer, Fall 2005
- After-School French Program Teacher, Moorhead, MN, Spring 2005
- Side Kick's Mentoring Program, Concordia College, Fall 2005
- Volunteer Summer School Teacher's Aid, Buffalo, MN, Summer 2003 and 2004

Honors and Awards

- Academic Scholarship, Spring 2018
- Mary Ellice Doak Memorial Scholarship, Fall 2016
- William Budge Scholarship, Fall 2015
- University of North Dakota GTA Appointment/Tuition Waiver, Fall 2013-present
- Concordia College, Credo Honors
- Concordia College, English Honors
- Sigma Tau Delta Honor Society
- Pi Delta Phi Honor Society

Experience Abroad

- Instructor at the American College of Norway, January 2017 - May 2017
- Studied French language and French culture in Rennes and Paris, France, June-July 2007
- Studied French language and Cameroonian culture in Cameroon, May 2007