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Education

Hamline University, School of Education 2015
Ed.D.

Research Question: How do college students define college preparedness?

Colorado Christian University 2007
M.A. Curriculum & Instruction

Thesis Topic: Social Studies Curriculum for Youth-At-Risk

Bethel University 2002
B.A. Philosophy, History

Teaching Experience

University of Wisconsin – Superior 2016 to Present
Assistant Professor, Teacher Education

Minnehaha Academy 2008 to 2016
Social Studies Department
(AP US History, US Government & Politics, World History I, II & III, Leadership Studies)

Denver Seminary 2003 to 2008
Adjunct Instructor, Youth and Family Department

Colorado Christian University 2006
Adjunct Instructor, Outdoor Education Department

Other Pertinent Employment Experience

Noah's Ark Whitewater Rafting & Adventure Company 2003 to 2008
Program Director (Teaching and Training Focus)

Published Work

Ridenour, M.J. "What's in your wallet? One way to transform reluctant students into historians". *Teaching History – A Journal of Methods Vol. 40 No. 2.*

Ridenour, M.J. "On the compatibility of education choice and centralization". *Minnpost.* November 20 2013.

Conference Presentations

Minnesota Association of Independent Schools Annual Conference – Minneapolis, MN 2015
“Strategies for Engaging Reluctant and Apathetic Students in the Social Studies Classroom”

Monticello Teacher Institute – Charlottesville, VA 2014
“Examining the Distinction Between Democracy and Republic in the Work of Thomas Jefferson”

Other Pertinent Professional Experience

Senior Year Experience (SYE) Capstone Designer 2016
(Teacher Education, University of Wisconsin – Superior)

Promoting Excellence in Teaching and Learning (PETL) Invitee & Graduate 2016
(Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, University of Wisconsin – Superior)

Faculty Search Committee Member 2016
(Teacher Education, University of Wisconsin – Superior)

Accreditation Self-Study Chair 2015
(Independent Schools Association of the Central States)

Strategic Planning Committee Faculty Representative 2013
(Served at the pleasure of the Minnehaha Academy President and Board of Trustees)

Collaborative Initiative Team Leader 2012
(Topic: Alternative Revenue Sources for Independent Schools)

Technology Program Architect (Pilot) 2012
(Chosen as one of two teachers to pilot, and provide architecture for, new technology programs)

Teacher Mentor 2012-2016
(Mentoring teachers new to the profession)

Cultural Field Experience Facilitator 2008-2016
(Providing leadership and supervision of student cultural field experiences)

Awards

Barringer Research Fellowship - Charlottesville, VA 2014
(Awarded by the Monticello Teacher Institute and the University of Virginia)

University Courses Taught

<i>TED 494: Principles & Practices of Inclusive Teaching</i> (On Campus)	2017
<i>TED 494 DL: Principles & Practices of Inclusive Teaching</i> (Fully Online)	2017
<i>SSED 339: Secondary Methods in Social Studies Education</i> (On Campus)	2017
<i>SSED 331: Teaching Elementary & Middle School Social Studies</i> (On Campus)	2016 & 2017
<i>SSED 331 DL: Teaching Elementary & Middle School Social Studies</i> (Fully Online)	2016 & 2017
<i>TED 339: Instructional & Assessment Strategies</i> (On Campus)	2016