#### **EDUCATION:**

**Bachelors of Science in Secondary Education** Bloomsburg University: Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

Major: Secondary Education, English

#### **CERTIFICATIONS:**

- ACT 126: Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting
- CLE Certification: Leadership and Engagement
- Substitute Teacher License
- CPR Certified

#### **PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

#### English Teacher

#### Mahwah High School

- Educate sophomores in *American Literature* and juniors in *British Literature* at the college preparatory and collaborative levels.
- Craft instruction which implements rigorous forms of the writing process, which include research-simulated tasks and literary analysis, as well as expository, persuasive, narrative, reflective, and creative writing.
- Expand students' understanding and use of grammar, vocabulary, and rhetoric in both their speaking and writing.
- Enhance the skills of close reading and critical analysis through examining the historical and psychological influences of authors and works of literature.
- Encourage higher-level thinking and student-centered discussions through the implementation of Socratic seminars and various other forms of student-led discussions.
- Implement metacognition, with a high focus on students' self-assessment in all areas of each course, including writing, reading, classroom participation, etc.

#### English Teacher

#### West Morris Regional High School District

- Educated three freshman Advanced English classes at Mendham High School and Central High School.
- Taught one level of freshman Academic English and one level of freshman Studies English, both with a special education teacher at Central High School.
- Developed daily lesson plans which implemented a high degree of technology-based instruction.
- Devised lesson plans to improve upon the competencies in reading, writing, speaking, and listening while interacting and interpreting literature.
- Collaborated with co-teachers to develop daily lesson plans appropriately differentiated for all students.
- Established a strong rapport with students, parents, colleagues, and administrators.
- Volunteered as an assistant swim team coach for the Mendham High School Swim Team.

#### Student Teacher

#### Berwick Area High School

- Educated freshman Composition classes in English/Language Arts.
- Created and taught engaging lesson plans with high focus on analytical thinking, research-based instruction, and commentary writing through close annotations.
- Implemented *The John Collins Program: The Five Types of Writing* into the classroom in order to develop thinking, learning, listening, speaking, and writing skills.
- Exposed students to a rigorous, but well-rounded and engaging curriculum, while maintaining discipline in accordance with school policies.

#### Mendham/ Chester, NJ

September 2015-June 2016

May 2015 Magna Cum Laude GPA: 3.82

*Berwick, PA* March 2015-May 2015

#### 2015-June 2016 chool

#### Mahwah, NJ September 2016 - Present

*Electronic portfolio:* http://dalexanderteachingportfolio.weebly.com/

#### Student Teacher

#### **Columbia-Montour Area Vocational Technical School**

- Educated freshmen, juniors, and seniors in English/Language Arts.
- Independently created and taught daily lesson plans with a high focus on kinesthetic learning and differentiated instruction, tailored to students of vocational technical trades.
- Established a strong rapport with students of all grade levels while remaining an authoritative figure in the classroom and handling behavioral issues of various types.

#### Substitute Teacher

#### **Montville Township School District**

• Implemented lesson plans left by absent teachers of grades K-12 and assisted staff members when needed.

#### Student Observer

#### **Bloomsburg Area High School**

• Observed and participated in planning and teaching in a low-achieving English classroom of seniors.

#### Student Observer

#### **Montville Township High School**

• Observed and participated in planning and teaching in the English classrooms of freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.

# **COACHING:**

#### Assistant Swim Team Coach

• Volunteered to assist the West Morris Mendham High School Swim Team throughout the 2015-2016 winter season.

### Head Swim Team Coach

• Coached, instructed, and motivated a team of young swimmers, ages 5-18, while leading and cooperating with two assistant coaches for the Fairfield Fighting Fish Swim Team of New Jersey.

#### **EMPLOYMENT:**

#### Manager

• Developed interpersonal skills while handling the needs of a diverse community as a pool manager.

#### Lifeguard

• Obtained CPR and lifeguard certification while ensuring the safety of community members of the Fairfield Township Pool.

#### HONORS AND ORGANIZATIONS:

Vice President of Sigma Tau Delta: English Honors Society	2014-2015
Member of Kappa Delta Pi: Education Honors Society	2014-2015
PSEA: Pennsylvania State Education Association	2011-2015
DASL: Developing Ambitious Student Leaders	2011-2015
Dean's List	2011-2015

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

CATCH Conference, 2015 **Diversity Seminar**, 2013

### Montville, NJ

Bloomsburg, PA

January 2015-March 2015

#### Bloomsburg, PA

#### Spring 2014

Montville, NJ

# Mendham, NJ

#### 2015-2016

#### Fairfield, NJ

# 2012-2016

#### 2016-Present

2009-2016

# 2013-2015

# Winter 2011