

EDUCATION (FOURTH YEAR)

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Education

Anticipated completion – April 2019

Elementary (Special Education)
University of Victoria, Victoria BC

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ability to relate to learners with varying skill levels and diverse backgrounds
- Community and school experience supporting learners with special needs
- Experience coaching students in extra-curricular sports

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Practicum – Grade 6, Shady Lane Elementary School, Victoria, BC February – May 2019
Mentor Teacher: Shireen Collings

- Adapted curriculum for daily lessons for special needs student, including activities to explore and understand big ideas through the *Know-Do-Understand model* of learning
- Integrated use of assistive technology like Google Classroom and iPads into lessons
- Prepared student reports based on carefully documented assessments, and offered specific examples of ways to further competency development
- Demonstrated sound group facilitation and management skills in a highly diverse classroom
- Helped coordinate the annual science fair
- Planned 2 field trips to deepen children's learning related to a 6-week English project, including a collaboration led by the district Aboriginal Program Coordinator
- Organized and coached a group of running enthusiasts ages 5 to 12, to improve their technique
- Developed my knowledge of physical literacy and modified activities to accommodate differing abilities
- Volunteered extensively with track program in 2017 and 2019

Practicum – Grade 4, Alouette Elementary School, Abbotsford, BC April – May 2018
Mentor Teacher: James Silvers

- Supported a child with a moderate learning disability to provide hands-on practice of skills based on curriculum
- Gained experience in a diverse classroom with many EAL learners, and grew my cultural competencies to more effectively connect with students and parents
- Worked with sponsor teacher to plan activities for meet the teacher night

Practicum – Grade 1, Riverside Elementary School, Abbotsford, BC April 2018
Mentor Teacher: Van Nguyen

- Developed teaching skills through co-teaching units in Language Arts, PE and Science
- Led groups in play-based physical education and coached students needing additional support to develop ball skills and other motor coordination competencies

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO TEACHING

Work Experience Coach, Garth Homer Society, Victoria, BC June – Sep. 2017 and 2018

- Worked with developmentally challenged man to facilitate transition to employment
- Encouraged appropriate work-place behaviours through practice and role-playing
- Reviewed job tasks with client regularly using different methods to maximize learning

Swim Instructor, Blue Valley Recreation Centre, Blue Valley, BC July 2015 – Sept. 2015

- Developed and taught swimming lessons to children (ages 3-12)
- Used gentle coaxing and desensitization to overcome children's fear of water
- Identified age appropriate activities to promote development of new skills

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Rotary Exchange, Santiago, Chile Sept. 2014 – June 2015

- Adapted to family life in a different culture and learned independence
- Attended high school and earned a high school diploma in a second language
- Enhanced cross-cultural communication abilities
- Improved oral and written Spanish

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

- **Coaching for Work Place Success** (15 hours) May 2017
Garth Homer Community Centre, Victoria, BC
- **Communication Skills in Diverse Environments** (3 hours) January 2016
YMCA/YWCA, Victoria, BC
- **Water Safety Instructor Certificate** (55 hours) June 2015
Canadian Red Cross, Victoria BC

SPECIAL SKILLS

Signed English, Conversational and written Spanish

REFERENCES

Shireen Tanaka, Mentor Teacher
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