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SKILLS SUMMARY

Advanced Spanish language skills, advanced experience teaching large groups, one-on-one teaching, program organization, written content editing, and writing (creative, technical, analytical, journalism, policy design).

EDUCATION

Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI

Bachelor of Arts in English Literatures, Language, and Writing, May 2019

- GPA: 3.99
 - Minor: Child development
 - Certificate: Creative writing
 - Honors Program: Centralis Review Team (review student applications to the Honors Program for full-tuition scholarships), Central Michigan University Honors Program Graduation 2017 Master of Ceremonies, Centralis Gold Recipient.
 - Spanish department ambassador, College 101 volunteer and mentor to high school students, Conversation Partners English peer tutor, Spanish teaching assistant for Honors Program independent study, "A Study on the Effects of Creating an Immersive Language Environment," CMU Red Cross Club President (2015-2016), Organization of Women Leaders (member and event coordinator for "What is Feminism" event).
 - President's List--December 2015, May 2016, December 2016, May 2017, December 2017, December 2018, May 2019.
 - Dean's List--December 2015, May 2016, December 2016, May 2017, December 2017, May 2018, December 2018, May 2019.

EXPERIENCE

Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture, and Sport

English Language and Culture Assistant (Auxiliar de Conversación) / September 2019 – Present / Madrid, Spain

- Assist staff at a bilingual institute in Madrid in daily instruction and preparation of English classes.
- Prepare lessons for all levels of English lessons (from 11 years of age to 18) and assist in student speaking preparation for Cambridge exams.
- Instruct staff and students in any necessary English lessons.
- Attend professional development meetings.

Central Michigan University Writing Center

Graduate-Level Writing Consultant / September 2016 -- May 2019 / Mount Pleasant, MI

- Taught English and writing skills to undergraduate students, international students for whom English is a second language, graduate students, and faculty.
- Attended semester-long training course in the pedagogy of teaching English and writing.
- Attended regular staff and professional development meetings.
- Completed training as an online consultant.
- Reviewed work in all categories, ranging from technical, thesis, and scientific, to creative.

Central Michigan University Honors Program Office

Student Worker, Student Coordinator of Local Donations / August 2017 – December 2017 / Mount Pleasant, MI

- Completed day-to-day tasks related to the Honors Program.
- Assisted in development of scholarship materials, processing student work, and program communications.
- Coordinated donations for the Honors Program Annual Silent Auction and personally raised over \$1,500 to be donated to the Mount Pleasant, Michigan Mobile Food Pantry for families in need.

Central Michigan University Honor Bound Magazine

Editor-in-Chief / February 2016 – December 2017 / Central Michigan University

- Interviewed individuals and faculty related to the Honors Program.
- Created and edited material for the publication of the annual magazine.
- Featured as a "Guest of Honor" in the 2016 edition.

Culture and Inequality in the U.S.

Student Volunteer / March 3rd, 2018 -- March 10th, 2018 / Miami-Dade Public Schools

- Studied the history of Latin American and the U.S.
- Assisted with teaching English in GED, ESOL, and U.S. citizenship classes for adults and students in the English Learning Center.
- Taught 1st grade special education students at a Miami-Dade public school.
- Taught English grammar to adolescents and adults at a Miami-Dade public school.

Saginaw, MI Men's Correctional Facility

Student Volunteer / January 2017-- May 2017 / Saginaw, MI

- Taught prisoners at the Saginaw, MI Men's Correctional Facility conflict communication for twohour classes each week.
- Two professors led the class, and students were responsible for engaging with and teaching a small group of incarcerated men about how to effectively handle conflict.

FreshU Online News site

Staff Writer / May 2015 – May 2016 / Central Michigan University

- Created weekly content to be published on the site.
- Edited and revised written work for the site.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday School Teacher / Fall 2011 -- May 2015 / Ann Arbor, MI

• Taught and developed lesson plans for a class of 1st/2nd or 3rd/4th grade children in a Sunday school classroom setting.

Manzanitas Spanish Immersion Preschool

Volunteer Teacher / September 2014 – January 2015 / Ann Arbor, MI

• Taught and supervised toddlers at a full-immersion, Spanish-speaking preschool for the morning on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays each week.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Central Michigan University Honors Program Outstanding Senior Project Award--2019
- Eric Torgersen Poetry Prize--2019
- National Fulbright Student Program English Teaching Award Semi-Finalist--2019
- Robert Bixby Memorial Prize--2019

- College of Education Learning and Leading Award--2018
- National Fulbright Student Program English Teaching Award Nominee--2018
- Jeanette R. House Memorial Scholarship--2018
- Reverend Lloyd C. and Ica L. Bronson Memorial Award--2018
- Robert Bixby Memorial Prize Award Co-Winner--2018
- Honors Program Alumni Scholarship--2018
- Michigan Education Association Scholarship--2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
- Rosemarie Rothe Memorial Scholarship Grant--2015, 2016
- E.C. Beck Award (based on merit and probable teaching success)--2017
- Runner up for the Eric Torgersen Poetry Prize--2017

PRESENTATIONS

- Magical realism and machismo in *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*. Student Research and Creative Endeavors Exhibition, Mount Pleasant, Michigan (2019).
- Magical realism and machismo in *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*. National Undergraduate Literature Conference, Ogden, Utah. (2019).
- Cognoscenti: A young adult fiction novel. Central Michigan University Honors Program Annual Winter Student Research and Creative Endeavors Exhibition, Mount Pleasant, Michigan. (2018).
- Wellspring Literary Series Featured Student Poetry Reader (2018).
- Cognoscenti: A young adult fiction novel. Student Research and Creative Endeavors Exhibition, Mount Pleasant, Michigan. (2018).
- Non tibi hoc soli. The Raising of the Peace Flag, Mount Pleasant, Michigan. (2018).
- The Gothic tradition and female anxiety in *The Handmaid's Tale*. National Undergraduate Literature Conference, Ogden, Utah. (2018).

PUBLICATIONS

- "Cuba Blues." (2019--upcoming publication). Cimarron Review.
- "Dictionary of wanting." (2019). Poets.org (featured for University & College Poetry Prizes).
- "Rich man's oxymoron, poor woman's lover: Michigan." (2019). Dunes Review.
- "University." (2019). Polaris.
- "Parentheses of a Deep Breath." (2019). *Third Wednesday Magazine* (featured for a CMU poets feature).
- "I saw him." (2019). Oakland Arts Review.
- "Arcade" and "Twilight in Denver." (2019). The Mochila Review.
- "A word like chaos," "You are the last train," and "To the clay angel statue with silver polka dot butterfly wings." (2018). *Outrageous Fortune*.
- "He is no one." (2018). *Audeamus*.
- "He loves out of his knuckles." (2018). 30 North.
- "Her name is sorrow." (2018). *Red Cedar Review*.
- "I picture god as a muslim woman." (2018). *The Blue Route*.
- "Two poems." (2017). *The Slag Review*.
- "Trending Twitter topics the week of October third, two-thousand sixteen." (2017). *The Central Review*.

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Cuban Culture and Spanish Language Study Abroad

Student at the University of Havana / June 2016 -- July 2016 / Havana, Cuba

• Studied at the university and in the cities of Havana, Trinidad, and Viñales.

Philosophy of International Law

Student at the International Peace Palace / June 2017 -- July 2017 / The Hague, Netherlands; Castello di Brazza, Italy

- Studied in and attended court cases at the International Criminal Court, the International Court of Justice, the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals, and many global institutes in The Hague.
- Completed research in the International Peace Palace on an independent archival project translating a Spanish brochure about Alfred Nobel and Bertha von Suttner into English.
- Traveled to Castello di Brazza in Italy to attend and present original work at the Bertha von Suttner Master Class conference.

Freudenberg Tanner Program

Exchange Student / July 2017 -- August 2017 / Michigan and Munich, Germany

- Taught a college student from Germany about the culture of the US and Michigan, and planned cultural and historical activities and excursions in the US.
- Taught a college student from Germany the English language.
- Created a presentation on German culture to be used by US Freudenberg employees to promote understanding for global engagement.