

Education:

• Brenau University, Gainesville, GA

Master of Arts in Teaching GPA: 4.0/4.0

• Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Ga

Bachelor of Science – Psychology Minor Degree – Sociology GPA: 3.7/4.0

Accolades:

• Phi Theta Kappa: 2005

• National Dean's List: 2005-2006

- Psi-Chi National Honor Society of Psychology: Lifetime Member
- Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Lifetime Member
- Outstanding Future Teacher of the Year Award Brenau University Graduate School: 2018

Community Endeavors:

• Lifeline Animal Project of Atlanta Volunteer: August 2024 – Present

Assisting with the care of hundreds of animals at the main Lifeline Shelter in East Atlanta, the Dekalb Animal Shelter in Chamblee, and the Fulton County Animal Shelter in West Atlanta.

- <u>Level 3 volunteer:</u> (trained to interact with more energetic, active, and temperamental dogs who may have specific behavioral concerns in an effort to help them become more adoptable)
- <u>Orientation Leader</u>: tasked with setting up informational sessions for new volunteers who wish to begin handling basic Level 1 dogs and cats
- <u>Mentor Leader:</u> tasked with training new volunteers after orientation in the proper removal, handling/walking, and returning of dogs to their specific kennel.
- <u>Dog Foster:</u> specializing in working with dogs that present more behavioral concerns to enable them to be successfully adopted

(Reference provided upon request). (https://lifelineanimal.org/)

Current:

Retired: July 2023-Present

Professional Experience:

Fulton County Schools: July 2018 – June 2023

- Teacher 6th Grade Social Studies
- TAG Talented and Gifted certified
- Hospital/Homebound teacher
- Summer School teacher

Forsyth County Schools, Cumming GA

Autism Paraprofessional: July 2015- June 2018

- Implement and develop behavioral strategies/plans
- Adapt and modify class work
- Assist with Georgia Alterative Assessment
- Adapt and adjust to meet the needs of students
- Teaching research-based reading and math programs
- Collect data for IEP/504 students
- Small group and 1:1 instruction

Forsyth County Schools, Cumming GA

Substitute Teacher: August 2014 – May 2015

- Full-time substitute teacher covering numerous schools
- Taught all academic and elective subjects in all grades

Peachford Behavioral Hospital, Atlanta GA

Mental Health Nursing Clinician: January 2008 – June 2014.

- Direct care of patients that suffered from psychological and substance abuse
- Interacted with adults and children with chronic disorders
- Monitored behavior, counseling, performing group therapy
- Conferred with attending psychiatrist for treatment protocols
- Crisis/suicide intervention team member

Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Ga

Full-time student – Psychology Program Intern Mentor 2006 – June 2010.

- Full-time student pursuing bachelor's degree
- Psychology department mentor assigned to incoming freshmen
- Assisted new students in selecting correct program/class rotation.
- Participated in weekly conferences with PhD. faculty to discuss student needs