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| EducationProfession Profile |  | Bachelor of Science: Biology Education from the University of Mary  I have a passion for helping people see the world as a beautiful place ordered in such a magnificent and art-like way. I desire to spread my joy of the natural world with many different people. Primarily, I want to teach Biology or Life Science in Secondary Education. My enthusiasm and love for my subject area will make me an excellent teacher for my future students.  Please visit my online portfolio to learn more about who I am: [annbalster.weebly.com](mailto:annbalster@weebly.com) |
| **Teaching and Childcare Experience** |  | Student Teaching (In progress January- March 2017) 7th Grade Life Science Mandan Middle School   * Full Teaching Experience (7 full weeks) * Taught Labs, Earthworm, Squid, and Frog Dissection, and other In-class activities (typically acting or other movement activities) * Lesson Plan Building in alignment to North Dakota State Standards * Active Board/Promethean Board and Apple TV training and usage * PowerSchool Gradebook usage * PTCFast.com for Parent Teaching conference scheduling training  Practicum II (September- December 2016) 10th-11th grade Biology St. Mary’s High School   * Animal Behavior field trip to the Dakota Zoo. * Monitored and preformed the annual Macromolecule Lab.  Private Chemistry Tutor (In progress) 11th Grade Chemistry students from Bismarck High School. (In progress)   * Met two-on-one weekly on Monday and Wednesday for an hour each. * Taught tips and tricks for exam preparation and solving unknown chemistry problems. * Built a personal relationship with the students by orchestrating a teaching environment that is completely centered on the student.  AVID tutoring (January - April 2016) 6th Grade AVID at Watcher Middle School   * Received AVID tutor training in the Socratic method of learning and teaching. * Taught and modeled team building and college preparation skills. * Experienced a diverse classroom with underprivileged, underrepresented, low income, and low-function students.  Practicum I (January – April 2016) 7th grade Life Science at Mandan Middle School   * Created and taught Dichotomous Key Lesson that was aligned to the North Dakota State Standards.  Shakespeare Workshop (March 2016) 6th-12th Grade Shakespeare workshop for English class at Dakota Prairie High School (and Middle School).   * Preformed, modeled, and taught healthy acting techniques that allow student to express themselves through Shakespeare performances for and with the students. * Confidence building and team building exercises. * Taught Shakespearian verse translation. * Chosen by Mr. Daniel Bielinski, the theater director and University of Mary Theater Department Head, and Capitol Shakespeare for the job.  REC Plus (Summers of 2015 and 2016) 1st-7th Grade REC Plus Childcare Assistant for Minneapolis Parks and Rec.   * Worked with parents daily. * Administered a child’s medication for asthma, allergies, epilepsy, and ADHD. * Received training on EPI Pens, Epileptic attacks, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, and diverse student inclusion. * One-on-one work with students with varying disabilities. * Collaborated with other Childcare assistants through weekly team meetings regarding plans for students with various needs. * Monitored field trip excursions, outdoor activities, and science project. |
| Opportunities and Honors during my years at University |  | Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award (2017)University of Mary Teaching Faculty Academic Excellence Award (2016) (Nominated by Dr. Michelle Lett and Mr. Daniel Bielinski)  * GPA 3.91 * Mexican Wolves Zoochosis Research Project at The Dakota Zoo (2015) * Principal Acting in University theater productions: *Fiddler on the Roof* (2017), *12 Angry Jurors* (2015), *Damn Yankees* (2013) * Assistant Director in the University theater production, *The Glass Menagerie* (2016) * Stage Manager in Shakespeare’s *Henry IV, Part I* (2015) and *As You Like It* (2015) * Acting in University Student films *To Lenny* (2016) and *The 4th Degree* (2015) * Post-production assistance in nationally award-winning short film *The Good Father* * Photography chosen for University’s Holograph (2015) * Photographer for Chesterton Academy (2016)  Cantor for University of Mary’s First Chapel Choir (2016)  * St. Augustine’s Choir of Bismarck Diocese (2014-2015) * Over Seas Trips to Italy (2013) and England (2015) * Participation for University of Mary’s Day of Service (2014-2016) * Math Club (2016) * Two technology Seminars (2014 and 2015) |
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