

I have had the opportunity to work in Orange County Schools, Durham Public Schools as well as Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools during my time at the School of Education at UNC-CH. These experiences have created a passion in me to work in this field as well as develop professionally within the field. My undergraduate education at UNC-CH has provided me with relevant and important tools for the classroom. During my practicum, I have learned the value of maintaining a close connection between academic and classroom contexts which is something that has been reflected in my work.

I am particularly interested in grades K-2 and have worked primarily in K-1 throughout my practicum. I have a love for these students and aiding them to manage the challenges that they face in the world around them along with the curriculum they are expected to know. My teaching philosophy is to create a safe and respectful environment where students feel comfortable expressing ideas, collaboratively learning key concepts and fostering a greater awareness of molding global citizens starting in Kindergarten.

The ideal work environment would emphasize supportive team work, cooperation and collaboration. I would prefer to work in an urban area within the research triangle park area but I am also open to more rural settings later on in my career. I am particularly interested in Title I schools as well as magnet programs and have experience working in both environments. My plans are to pursue classroom teaching to gain more experience and to earn my Masters degree within the next 5 years.