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Education and Professional Training

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

Joint Honours in English Literature and Creative Writing, April 2008

- Graduated with distinction.
- Shortlisted for the Irving Layton Poetry Award and the MacGuigan Essay Prize.

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH

MFA in Creative Writing, August 2012

- Winner of a Constance Rooke Scholarship and a Board of Graduate Research Fellowship.

HUMBER COLLEGE

TESOL Canada Certification, April 2013

Completion of DEV 014 - Clinic for Online Teachers,

Teaching Experience

GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE

Communications and English Literature Instructor, Sep 2015 – May 2022

- Instructing students in essay writing, textual analysis, reading comprehension, workplace communication, critical thinking, English literature, literary analysis and grammar.
- Designing assignments and syllabi for COMM 1007: College English, COMM 1047: Business Communications, COMM 1160: Critical Reading and Thinking, and LHUM 1216: The Art of the Short Story.
- Preparing and delivering lessons, conducting one-on-one meetings, and marking all assignments.

HUMBER COLLEGE

English Instructor, Sep 2012 – Aug 2016

- Instructing students in critical response, literary analysis, technical writing, workplace communication, and grammar.
- Designing syllabi for WRIT 100: College Reading and Writing Skills, WRIT 108: Technical Communication for Skilled Trade Professionals, WRIT 208: Workplace Communication for Trade Professionals, COMM 100: Introduction to College Writing Skills, and BMAP 117: Workplace Communication for Boilermaker Apprentices.

Writing Centre/ESL Centre Tutor, May 2011 – Aug 2016

- Devising student-focused lesson plans to accommodate a range of student needs.
- Providing semester-long, one-on-one instruction for WRIT 150 and ESOL 150.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

ESL Speaking Instructor, Summer 2013

- Instructing international students in English grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, and conversational fluency.
- Preparing lessons, facilitating pronunciation clinics, and providing written and oral feedback.

PARKDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Guest Teacher - Creative Writing, Jan 2012 – Feb 2012

- Preparing and conducting creative writing workshops for grade-eight students.
- Providing feedback to students and conducting one-on-one interviews with them about their writing.

Writing and Editing Experience

HUMBER LITERARY REVIEW

Assistant Fiction Editor/Copy Editor, Jan 2013-Aug 2016

- Reading submitted stories and conferring with other editors to determine the fiction content for issue three of HLR.
- Carefully reading the finished editions of issues 1-3 in order to prevent all grammar, spelling, typographical and layout errors.

STROPHEA INC.

Jan 2013-Present

- Planning, writing, and editing content for interactive novels.
- Consulting with system designers and developers in order to tailor literary style and content to software limitations.

LUDIA INC.

Content Provider, Feb 2009-August 2010

- Writing and editing dialogue for computer- and console-based games such as *The Price is Right* and *Family Feud*.
- Researching and writing questions for *The \$100,000 Pyramid*.

VIZIR CONSULTING

Writer and Editor, Dec 2008 - Feb 2010

- Liaising with clients in the Montreal video game and software industry to determine their needs
- Researching and writing internal recommendation reports

XTRANORMAL

Writer and Editor, Apr 2008-Jan 2009

- Pitching and writing comedic, web-based animations in order to showcase Xtranormal's animation software.
- Refining and editing the scripts of other writers.

Selected Publications

FULL LENGTH BOOKS

Short Accounts of Tragic Occurrences. Short Fiction. DC Books/Punchy Writers Series. Montreal: 2009. 88 pages.

LITERARY WEBSITES

"Short Account #16." *Short Fiction.* Branch Magazine, Montreal: 2010. 1 page.

"Ten Questions with Nick McArthur." Interview. Open Book Toronto, Toronto: 2009. 2 pages.

"Buttermilk" *Short Fiction.* Joyland: a hub for short fiction. Montreal: 2009. 1 page.

"Mr. Bloomer Boils the Eggs" *Short Fiction.* 55 Words. New York: 2007. 1 page.

ANTHOLOGIES and MAGAZINES

"The Obituarist", "Short Accounts of Tragic Occurrences", "Possum", "Zombie Deer in the Heart of Connecticut", "Villanelle for Philip Larkin", "Wine Jug Love Sonnet" Poetry and Short Fiction. *Pistol Anthology.* Pistol Press. Toronto, ON. 2008. 11 pages.

"Short Accounts of Tragic Occurrences." Review of "The Alphabet Game." *Short Fiction and Criticism.* Matrix 79 The New Underground, Montreal: 2008. 2 Pages.

"Things I can't seem to let go of." Poetry. *Headlight* 8. Montreal: 2005. 1 Page.