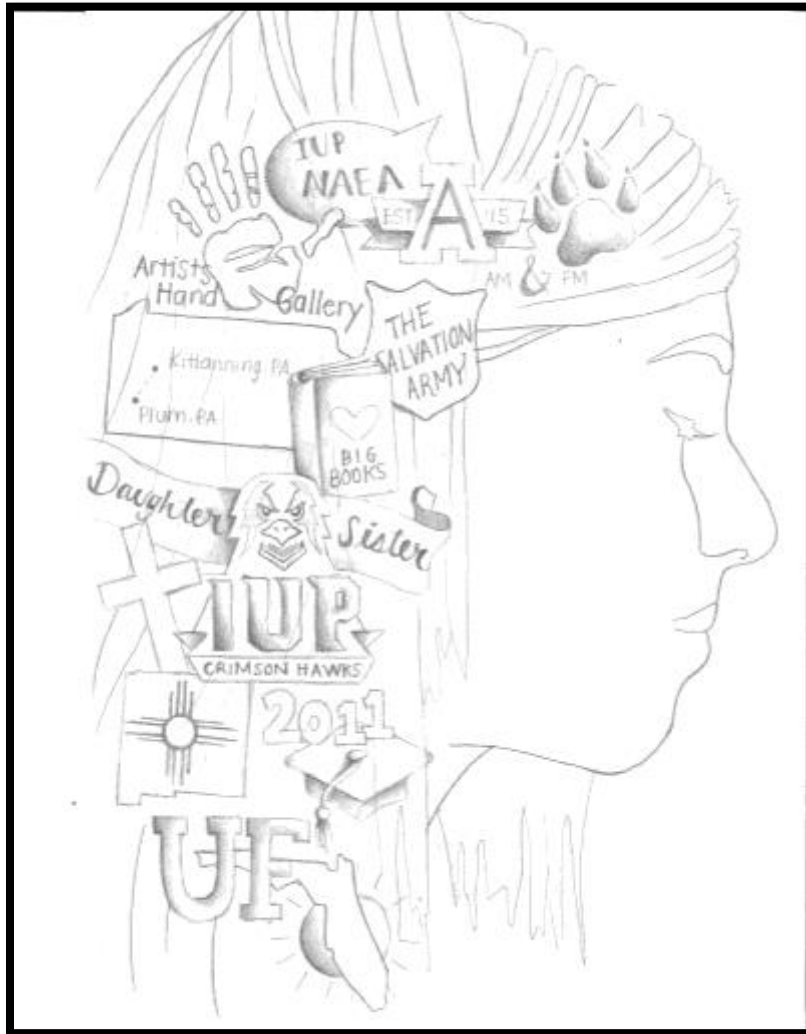


Assignment Template: Identity Portrait



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Degrees

Expected August 2018

- MA Art Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

May 2015

- BSED Art Education, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, PA
- Minor Art Studio, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, PA
- Minor Art History, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, PA

Key Professional Appointments

2015-current: Art Teacher, Armstrong School District, Kittanning and Rural Valley, PA

- Full time, split placement between Armstrong Jr-Sr High School and West Shamokin Jr-Sr High School.
- Design and carry out two dimensional and three-dimensional lessons for grades 7, 8, and 9.
- Assimilating art history, mathematics, cultural studies, writing, and technology into art curriculum.

2016: Art Teacher, Indiana Art Council's Art Camp, Indiana, PA

- Taught art to grades 5-6 for one week in July.
- Hung student work for a culminating art show at the week's conclusion.

2015: Art Tutor, Artists Hand Gallery & Espresso Bar, Indiana, PA

- Synthesized weekly art lessons for family of three homeschooled siblings.
- Adapted lessons to cater to ages 5, 8, and 10.
- Exposed children to a variety of new media and techniques.

2015: Student Teaching Secondary Placement, Indiana Area Senior High, Indiana, PA

- Generated two-dimensional and three-dimensional lessons for grade levels 10-12.
- Facilitated written and verbal critiques of student artwork.
- Created and taught adapted lessons for students with special needs in the Life Skills art class.

2015: Student Teaching Primary Placement, Horace Mann Elementary School, Indiana, PA and Eisenhower Elementary School, Indiana, PA

- Developed age appropriate lesson plans for grades 4-5.
- Integrated technology into lesson instruction and demonstrations.
- Incorporated writing, history, and mathematics into cross-curricular art lessons.

2013: Youth Leader, Navajo Reservation, Shiprock, NM

- Led Navajo youth, ages 13-18, in discussion pertaining to Bible lessons.
- Demonstrated art project techniques and assisted students in creating their work.
- Established a safe environment for Navajo youth to share their experiences and build trust among their peers.

Professional Associations

2015-2017: District Art Show, Armstrong School District, Kittanning, PA

- Prepared artwork with matting and nametags.
- Hung elementary and secondary artwork, from all schools in the district, for a weekend art show at Armstrong Jr-Sr High School.

2015: Mural Painting

- Used scaffolding to assist in painting the Armstrong Jr-Sr High School River Hawk logo on exterior of school's field house.
- Aided in painting the word "WOLVES" on West Shamokin Jr-Sr High School's football field press box.

2014-2015: Secretary, National Art Education Association, IUP Chapter

- Recipients of the 2015 Outstanding Student Chapter Award.
- Designed lesson plans for gallery-inspired student workshops.
- Taught art lessons at Salvation Army's weekly "Supper Club."
- Organized campus "Chalk on the Walk" event for community involvement in the visual arts.

2013-2015: Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society in Education

- Volunteered at Indiana Free Library for National Literacy Day.
- Gained knowledge and experience through professional workshops.
- Attended 2014 Student PSEA Conference in Erie, PA

Selected Works

2014: NAEA Exhibition, Indiana, PA

2013: Indiana Free Library's *Evening in the Stacks*, Indiana, PA

2013: Sweetwater Center for the Arts' *Lost and Found: Sustainable High Fashion Show*, Sewickley, PA

2013: Indiana Art Council's *Trashion Show*, Indiana, PA

Leadership, Grants, and Recognitions

- Nominated for PAEA Outstanding New Professional Art Educator Award for 2016.
- Cumulative Undergraduate GPA: 4.0
- 2014-2015: Recipient of Daria Troyan Varner for Art Ed Scholarship
- 2011-2015: Recipient of IUP Art Department Board of Governor's Scholarship

Research Interests

Art as a means of expression, art therapy, charcoal drawing techniques, pottery techniques

Creative & Research Biography

I am a second year, junior high school art teacher, pursuing a MA Art Education degree through the University of Florida. During my time as an undergraduate, I gained experience in teaching through mission trips to New Mexico, camp counselor jobs, tutoring homeschooled students in art studies, and volunteering for a Salvation Army after school program. My most recent artwork explores the evolution of people and places, and I use primarily black and white drawing media. I strongly support using art to promote student self-expression. Art acts a method of communication, and this communication can offer a voice to all, equally.