

# HANNAH GREENSPAN

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## EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

### **Rutgers University Graduate School of Education: 2007 – 2009**

Specialization: EdM in Social Studies Education

Cumulative GPA: 4.0

### **Rutgers University: 2004-2008**

Degree: BA in Sociology

Cumulative GPA: 4.0

## HONORS

Nancy Higginson Dorr Award for Student Teaching at the Secondary Level (2009), Nominee for Commissioner's Distinguished Teacher Candidate Award (2009), Graduated Summa Cum Laude (2008), Phi Beta Kappa member (2007 – present), Academic Excellence Award (2006 & 2007), Rutgers College Honors Program (2005 – 2008), First Year Student Award (2005)

## EXPERIENCE

### **Social Studies Educator – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Civics** (August 2009 – Present)

Middle School in New Jersey

- Collaborate with general and special education teachers to implement interdisciplinary units
- Promote global citizenship through student research activities, service-learning projects, and international pen pal exchanges in France and Thailand
- Develop engaging lessons for students with different needs – Gifted & Talented, Learning Disabled, Emotionally Disturbed, and ESL Learners
- *Supervisor of Student Council Program* – Responsible for full planning and implementation of school activities, fundraisers, charity drives, and community service projects

### **Research Assistant** (April 2009 – August 2009)

Community Health Education Dept. of UMDNJ, New Brunswick, NJ

- Partnered with other professionals to develop health education curricula
- Trained teachers on how to incorporate health education into lesson plans

### **Personal Tutor** (August 2008 – June 2009)

- Worked with fourth and fifth grade students one-on-one to expand writing skills and comprehension skills in preparation for the NJASK reading and writing tests

### **Student Teacher – 8<sup>th</sup> grade US History** (September 2008 – December 2008)

Schor Middle School (Piscataway, NJ)

- Trained teachers on how to facilitate structured class discussions on controversial topics
- Used knowledge of Spanish to accommodate significant population of Hispanic students

### **Project Developer – CITYarts** (May 2005 – August 2005)

New York, NY 10012

- Increased participation in CITYarts' public mural project, *Pieces for Peace* by contacting and working with schools from around the world.

## INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Volunteer Abroad – Honduras** (March 2008)

- Collaborated with local leaders, workers, and students to construct storage facilities for farmers in order to promote fair trade prices
- Engaged in educational sessions to learn how to support our partner organization, *RedComal*
- Contributed to community events to promote cross-cultural understanding

### **Volunteer Abroad – Israel** (January 2007)

- Improved the land and buildings around areas affected by warfare
- Participated in formal discussions with local leaders and citizens to learn about the political and social challenges the region faces

### **Study Abroad - Costa Rica** (May 2006 – July 2006)

- Collaborated with English teachers at a Costa Rican private school
- Developed and improved the pronunciation and vocabulary skills of students
- Participated in numerous community events and after-school activities

**Additional Travel Experience**

- Cusco, Peru – July 2011
- Rio de Janeiro, Brazil – April 2011
- Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic – March 2009
- Dublin, Ireland – August 2008

**INTERESTS****Dance**

*Aloha Style Dance Studio* (August 2010 – Present)

- Assistant Teacher and Performing Dancer

*Rutgers Salsa Dance Club* (September 2007 – May 2008)

- Active participant in weekly club meetings and lessons

*Rutgers Performing Dance Company* (September 2005 – 2007)

- Choreographer, Teacher and Performing Dancer

**Languages**

- English – Fluent/Native Speaker
- Spanish – Proficient in Conversational Spanish
- Portuguese – Beginner
- Hebrew - Beginner