

CHRISTOPHER SIEMSEN

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PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

New York State Initial Certification in:

- Adolescent Social Studies, Grades 7-12
- Middle School Extension, Grades 5-6

American Heart Association CPR/AED/First Aid Certified

EDUCATION

MOLLOY COLLEGE, Rockville Centre, NY

- *Master of Science in Adolescent Education Social Studies (7-12) Professional Certification (GPA: 4.0)*
- *Bachelor of Arts in Adolescent Education Social Studies (7-12) Initial Certification (GPA: 3.9)*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE / WORK HISTORY

MASSAPEQUA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Massapequa, NY

2010 - Present

PLAINEDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Massapequa, NY

2013 - Present

Substitute Teacher

- Instructs all grade levels (5th - 12th) within various teaching environments including general education, inclusion, self-contained, and C.C.C. classrooms.
- Utilizes guided practice and differentiated instruction to provide for the diverse learning needs of all students.
- Demonstrates effective classroom management skills to ensure student focus throughout the lesson.
- Implements SMART Board technology and iPad applications to enhance the learning experience.
- Uses knowledge of common core to effectively facilitate lessons and proctor exams.
- Strives to promote a positive classroom environment centered on cooperation, respect, and community.

MASSAPEQUA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Massapequa, NY

2010 - Present

Director of Birch Lane Summer Recreation Program

- Oversees and manages the summer recreation program at Birch Lane Elementary School, which consists of over 200 students and 50 counselors.
- Ensures that all students are properly supervised within a safe and positive environment.
- Maintains a steady flow of communication with parents and promptly addresses any parental questions and concerns.
- Utilizes webpage design to create and update the camp website (<http://birchlanesummerrec.weebly.com>), which provides students and parents with easy access to camp information.

SOCIAL STUDIES TUTOR

2012 - Present

- Assists middle-school and high-school students with all areas of the Social Studies curriculum.
- Utilizes interdisciplinary teaching strategies to provide students with the tools needed to compose effective DBQs and thematic essays.
- Provides students with the test-taking skills needed to succeed on Regents examinations.

MOLLOY COLLEGE, Rockville Centre, NY

2011 - 2012

Graduate Research Assistant

- Served as primary assistant to the Dean of Education.

PUBLICATIONS

- Siemsen, C. (2012). The rise of the great depression. In C. F. Howlett (Ed.), *Best Practices and Teaching Social Studies Methods for Adolescent Learners, 7-12* (pp. 594-600). Boston & New York: Pearson.
- O'Neill, K., Paccione, M., & Siemsen, C. (2010). Are we on the same economic roller coaster ride today as we were on during the twenties and thirties? (Unit Five-United States History and Geography Curriculum) from <http://www.sheehansocialstudies.com/70622.html>

HONORS

- Kappa Delta Pi National Honor Society for Education, 2008
- Phi Alpha Theta National Honor Society for History, 2009
- Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, 2009
- Delta Epsilon Sigma National Scholastic Honor Society, 2010

LANGUAGES

- Working knowledge of Spanish