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## Summary

Dallas ISD Alternative Certification Secondary English and Language Arts candidate with 2 years of professional experience in the cybersecurity industry transitioning into a career in education. Passionate about creating an engaging environment with intentional, effective instruction with differentiation to promote student mastery for all learners.

## Professional Experience

### Dallas ISD Alternative Certification Program

Dallas, TX

*ELAR 7-12 and ESL Candidate*

*September 2025 – Present*

- Admitted to a selective, district-funded Alternative Certification Program with full tuition covered by Dallas ISD.
- Completed over 50+ hours of targeted classroom observations, gaining practical experience inside classrooms and observing inclusive, differentiated practices that meet the needs of diverse learners.
- Applied research-based instructional and classroom-management strategies in supervised, real-world settings.
- Exams passed:                    ✓ **TExES 331** – ELAR 7-12                    ✓ **TExES 154** – ESL Supplemental

### Sevideca, Inc.

Lewisville, TX

*Co-Founder & Chief Operating Officer*

*June 2023 – April 2025*

- Launched and led a cybersecurity start-up with a focus on secure video conferencing and endpoint protection for consumers and small businesses.
- Set project goals and created calendar-based timelines to ensure consistent progress and completion of strategic priorities within planned timeframes.
- Delivered virtual presentations up to eight times per week, presenting to groups of up to 60 participants demonstrating strong public speaking and instructional communication.

## Volunteer Experience

### Richardson Adult Literacy Center

Richardson, TX

*ESL Volunteer Teacher*

*January 2025 – Present*

- Design and teach weekly two-hour long English lessons for a class of 14 adult learners, focusing on speaking, listening, grammar, and real-life communication.
- Differentiate instruction to meet the varying needs of English language learners from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds.
- Create a welcoming and inclusive classroom environment that encourages student participation and growth.

## Education

### University of North Texas

Denton, TX

*Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, Minor in History*

*August 2020 – May 2023*

- GPA:** 3.46 / 4.00 | **Academic Honors:** 4.0 Honor Roll (Spring 2023); Dean's List (Fall 2021)
- Relevant Coursework: Philosophy of Language (Capstone), Introduction to Logic, Technical Writing, and Science Technology and Society (STS)
- Recipient of Covid-19 Student Success Award for academic resilience and adaptability.
- Developed strong verbal communication skills through coursework in logic, ethics, and philosophy of language.

### Dallas College (Brookhaven Campus)

Farmers Branch, TX

- Led the submission of the college's entry to the EPA Campus RainWorks Challenge.                    *June 2019 – August 2020*

### University of Texas at Dallas

Richardson, TX

- Coordinated volunteer events and fundraisers to support heart disease research.                    *August 2018 – May 2019*
- ACT: 30/36 SAT: 1380/1600

## Skills & Interests

**Skills:** Microsoft Office, Zoom, Canva, Google Classroom, Pearson English Connect, Lesson Planning

**Interests:** Hiking, Creative Writing, Teaching, Dallas Sports Teams, Golf, Philosophy