



Matthew S. Brennan

Writer ✍ Educator ✍ Designer ✍

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

I am a rhetorical craftsman and a creative problem solver eager to wield refined skills in the service of what is good and worthwhile.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MIDDLE-SCHOOL LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER

St. Joan of Arc School

2018-Present

- deliver instruction and assess literacy skills of students in grades 6-8
- craft and edit clear, purposeful written communication for students and other stakeholders
- guide students toward mastery of English grammar, usage, and expressive fluency
- collaborate constructively with colleagues and administrators

INSTRUCTOR OF RHETORIC AND COMPOSITION

Pennsylvania State University

Fall 2018

- strategically planned for and evaluated targeted proficiencies
- led others to think and communicate with purpose and precision
- engaged others in critical, empathetic, substantial social discourse
- mentored diverse students transitioning to new environments

SECONDARY ENGLISH TEACHER

Clearwater Central Catholic High School

2012-2018

- crafted instruction for a variety of advanced English classes (grades 9-12)
- edited, budgeted for, and published student literary magazine
- represented faculty and school at marketing/advancement events
- served as contributing member of Faculty Technology Committee

INSTRUCTOR OF RHETORIC AND COMPOSITION

The University of Tampa

2011-2014

- engaged others in inquiry-based literary analysis and civic engagement
- facilitated reflective construction of substantial, original meaning
- led others to think and communicate with purpose and precision
- guided students through strategic, creative, writing processes

SECONDARY ENGLISH TEACHER

South Butler County School District

2005-2011

- taught AP English Lang. and Comp. and American Literature (grade 11)
- coached middle-school track and officiated high-school track meets
- mentored new faculty and peer tutors

SKILLS

Creative Writing
 Instructional Design
 Textual Analysis
 Publication
 Art and Design
 Targeted Assessment
 Collaborative Synthesis
 Strategic Communication
 Leadership Training
 Mentoring

EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS

Teaching English
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

BACHELOR OF ARTS

English
Pennsylvania State University



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TECHNOLOGICAL PROFICIENCIES

Pages
Canvas
Keynote
MS Office
Blackboard
Mac and PC
Android and iOS
Google Classroom
Research Databases

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

ENTREPRENUERIAL HANDYMAN

- completed indoor and outdoor landscaping and home repair projects for diverse clients
- assessed budget-conscious needs of clients, proposed creative solutions, and provided itemized work estimates
- purchased and/or recommended materials and completed tasks neatly in a professional and timely manner

COACH AND COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTOR

- tee-ball coach and team organizer
- middle-school track coach
- secondary school track official
- YMCA special event volunteer
 - creative writing workshop leader
 - Halloween event worker
 - swim meet record-keeper
 - open-water rescue boat captain
- member home-repair church ministry
- secondary school peer tutor co-supervisor
- secondary school essay contest facilitator

PUBLICATIONS

Brennan, M. (2012) "Of Standardized Knowability." *The Language Arts Journal of Michigan*. September 2012.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST