

# Abigail L. Kuhn

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Eight years of teaching social studies at the middle school level; extensive NHD involvement at the school, state, and national level

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### *Ann Arbor Learning Community* MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER

*Ann Arbor, MI*  
August 2006-Present

- Grades 6-8 social studies (American, Western Civilization, and Eastern Civilization history)
- National History Day Advisor – twenty-one state qualifiers, eight national qualifiers, and five special award winners
- Currently developing partnership with Eastern Michigan University professor to involve university students in our NHD program
- Design and implement various elective courses including current events, National History Day, and historical fiction
- Lead teacher for grades 4-8
- 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade and Algebra 1 math teacher for six years
- Planned and implemented an 8<sup>th</sup> grade leadership camping retreat
- Established a relationship with a teacher in France and monitored student-to-student correspondence
- Yearbook Coordinator
- Location controller for Scantron Performance Series
- Chaired Charter Renewal Sub-Committee
- Co-Facilitator for Charter Renewal Committee
- Designed master schedule
- Chaired Teacher Search Committee
- Served as Acting Dean for two months
- Planned and implemented class trips to Orlando, Philadelphia, Washington, DC, Sleeping Bear Dunes (MI) and Bay City, MI
- Supervise a weekly pizza sale managed by middle school students
- Coordinate parent volunteers for field trips, classroom activities, and fundraisers
- Led professional development workshops

### *Ann Arbor Learning Community* INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE

*Ann Arbor, MI*  
March – June 2006

Assisted at-risk and special needs students in grades K-1 and 6-8.

### *Cedar Campus* CHILDREN'S PROGRAM COORDINATOR

*Cedarville, MI*  
Summer 2003-2008

- Selected curriculum for summer program
- Trained and supervised an international staff
- Partnered with parents to provide for special needs
- Coordinated recreation activities for various age groups
- Provided weekly schedules for staff members
- Led daily staff meetings

**HONORS****NATIONAL HISTORY DAY SUMMER INSTITUTE TO CHINA, 2013**

- Theme: "Understanding Leadership: China in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century"
- One of twelve teachers chosen nationally
- Completed extensive reading for the theme prior to traveling
- Traveled for 13 days to Shanghai, Nanjing, Changsha, Xi'an, and Beijing

**HENRY FORD TEACHING FELLOW, 2013**

- Worked collaboratively with seven teachers from Michigan and Ohio
- Created teacher resources to be used with The Henry Ford collections

**PUBLICATIONS**

"Developing an Inquiry Arc through National History Day." *Social Education*. In press for May/June 2014.

"The Emperor and the Chairman: Exploring Leadership in Ancient and Modern China." *National History Day 2015 Theme Book*. In press for Summer 2014.

**PRESENTATIONS**

"Five Myths of NHD Project Creation." Teacher Resources. *National History Day Website*. October 2013. <<http://www.nhd.org/TeacherResources.htm>>

Teacher Leadership and National History Day. Presented to Marietta College Education and Leadership Students, November 2013.

**EDUCATION****MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

East Lansing, MI

Master of Arts in Educational Technology, expected Spring 2015

**MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

East Lansing, MI

Educational Technology Certificate, 2010

**MARIETTA COLLEGE**

Marietta, OH

Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, 2004

Major: Middle Childhood Education

Certificate of Leadership

Kappa Delta Pi (Education)

Phi Alpha Theta (History)

Adamson-Flesher Scholarship in Education

**CERTIFICATION**

**MICHIGAN:** Provisional – K-5 All (K-8 Self CC), Grades 5-9 Mathematics (EX) and Social Studies (RX)

**HOBBIES**

Photography, sailing, traveling, reading, cooking and baking