## Jonathan Antonini

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## **Summary**

Dedicated to the training and success of students in the English language with a passion to see them overcome their academic fears and reach their highest goals. Focuses on literature to improve a student's reading and writing skills as well as provoke deeper analytical thinking. Experience in conducting and coordinating classroom environments for the betterment of a student's intellectual, logical, and emotional wellbeing.

## **Highlights**

- Analytical thinker
- Focused on student success through literature
- Compassionate and patient
- Works to see student growth intellectually and emotionally
- Responds promptly to student inquiry and email

# Accomplishments

Requested to represent the English department to prospective students who desire their majors or minors in English at Sam Houston State University in 2014 and 2015 during the "Saturday at Sam's" event.

Graduate GPA: 3.93

Selected to teach Sam Houston State University's modified EWCAT courses.

# **Teaching Experience**

Sam Houston State University

August 2016 to Current

#### **Adjunct Professor of English at Sam Houston State University**

Have taught composition 1301 and 1302 for over a year. Dr. Krienke, the director of the composition program, asked me to teach our intellectually demanding course – Ethics in Western Civilization and the American Tradition (EWCAT). This course offers the same credit as a traditional composition course, but it focuses on the reading of great works of

literature. Students are taught to evaluate the social, religious, ethical, and philosophical ideas presented in the course, and then compose clear, concise, and analytical essays over what they read.

Sam Houston State University

August 2015 to May 2016

#### **Graduate Assistant**

Huntsville, TX

Was an assistant to Dr. Douglas Krienke who is the Director of the EWCAT program and Assistant Chair of the English Department. My tasks of serving with him were mainly comprised of coordinating moderators and their schedules in the EWCAT program. Traditionally, students would learn through interaction with their peers. This program is designed to revive intellectual and academic discussion between students outside the classroom environment. The moderators facilitate student discussion as they address questions that have been prepared by the professor without the professor being involved in the conversation. These questions are designed to explore specific themes in literary works, which raise overarching philosophic, religious, and intellectual considerations. I had the privilege to serve as a EWCAT moderator since the Fall of 2013, and have been witness to the incredibly insightful and provocative thoughts that these young adults express.

Additional roles as a graduate assistant included:

- Supported Dr. Krienke in his daily teaching and administrative tasks.
- Was an administrator over the EWCAT course moderators.

Sam Houston State University Writing Tutor
Huntsville, TX

August 2015 to May 2016

Sam Houston State University

Instructor for Composition 1301

Huntsville, TX

January 2016 to May 2016

Taught Composition 1301 at Sam Houston State University as a Graduate Assistant.

Initiated thought-provoking classroom discussions to help students develop their critical thinking abilities through the creative use of various multimedia forms.

Utilized conferences with individual students in order to further develop their writing style.

Graded essays and assignments quickly and effectively.

# Sam Houston State University Instructor for Composition 1302 Huntsville, TX

November 2015 to December 2015

Was asked by Dr. Bridges, the English Department chair, to complete a Composition 1302 class after a professor unexpectedly left. This task included creating a new course syllabus, evaluating essays the prior professor had not finished grading, and developing sufficient course material in order to complete the semester.

#### **Education**

Sam Houston State University

Master of Arts: English

Huntsville, TX, The United States of America

Sam Houston State University

Bachelor of Arts: English

Huntsville, TX, The United States of America