

Christina Sanyour

EDUCATION

B.A. in English literature, minor in Italian Studies (2015)
Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, New York
Magna Cum Laude; Thesis Honors in English, Italian Dept. Award of Excellence

EXPERIENCE

Scuola Secondaria Lavinia Fontana: *English Teacher*

Sept 2019 - May 2020

For the after-school Speaking Club and the Lettorato program, I brought creative, engaging original materials to spark conversation, catering specifically to students' personal interests. I created an open, intimate environment so students could feel comfortable participating, asking questions, and building confidence with English.

Scuola Secondaria Guido Reni, Bologna: *English Teacher*

Sept 2018 - May 2019

I led English lessons during regular school hours, preparing my own class materials to support the students' regular curriculum. We focused on vocabulary, culture, and speaking practice. Materials included powerpoint presentations, videos, games, and worksheets, as well as in-class discussion.

The English Camp Company, Assisi: *Camp Director*

June 2017 - August 2017

I managed four classes (4 teachers, ~50 Italian students). I gave the teachers support in designing lessons and activities, mediated between Italian-speaking parents and English-speaking teachers, managed our facilities and resources, and succeeded in creating an atmosphere where constructive idea-generating and feedback cycled seamlessly through our team.

The Italian American Museum, New York: *Docent*

Jan 2016 - Sept 2018 (closed for renovation, reopening 2020!)

Nestled in the heart of Little Italy, the museum is a living record of Italian-American history and culture. I used my deep knowledge and passion for our collections to share its story with visitors. I assisted with planning and hosting weekly events: book readings, film screenings, and language classes.

Istituto Nicolò Tommaseo, Torino: *English Teacher*

Sept 2015 - May 2016

I independently built my own curriculum for 3rd grade primary school students. Using songs, games and more traditional didactic resources, I emphasized interactive learning to keep students engaged. Listening to individual needs and being flexible helped me become a more impactful teacher.

Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY: *Foreign Language Asst.*

September 2012 - May 2015

As assistant to the college foreign language department, I worked closely with department professors, courses, and events. I managed department resources for students and faculty and provided tutoring for French and Italian students.

Other

- Freelance translator
It-Eng (4 yrs)
- Private English teacher
(4 yrs)
- ESL Teacher at The
Connection Community
Center (2 yrs)
- Social media rep for
Gustiamo, Inc. (1 yr)

CAREER INTERESTS

- Museum education
- Language instruction
- Food history & culture,
food tourism

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