

# BRIANNA ABRAHAM

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## PROFILE

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**Insightful, enthusiastic teacher (Biology, Physical Science, English), and Curriculum and Instructional Technology Specialist.** Able to introduce topics in a comprehensible manner. Applies creative and flexible approaches to meet individual learning styles of diverse students. Exercises positive reinforcement skills. Excited about integrating technology with curriculum. Demonstrates passion and caring for students. Enjoys helping young people succeed.

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## PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

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### Teaching Highlights:

- ♦ Taught Biology (7 years), AP Biology (4 years), and Physical Science (4 years)
- ♦ Taught 8<sup>th</sup> grade English (1 year) and 9<sup>th</sup> grade English (1 year)
- ♦ Developed semester long forensics curriculum “Applying Scientific Concepts to Real-World Applications”; one of six teachers asked to participate in Law, Public Safety, and Security (LPSS) pathway where students who complete designated courses in high school receive a special certificate upon graduation; attended 10 week citizens academy at Merrimack Police Department to incorporate real-world applications in the classroom; resulted in presentation to school board of LPSS program
- ♦ One of four teachers to work with struggling students during after school program; resulted in increased student achievement

### Curriculum and Instructional Technology Integration Highlights:

- ♦ Developed hybrid online AP Biology course; Recorded video lectures and labs for online viewing; Utilized multiple internet technologies (Quia, Wikispaces) to increase class time for hands-on, practical application of knowledge
- ♦ Integrated multimedia clips with presentations to better explain concepts and demonstrate real-life applications for science and literature in our modern culture; resulted in presentation to school board
- ♦ Developed and maintained 5 interactive WebQuests to stimulate student involvement and learning
- ♦ Developed workshops and trained teachers to integrate Quia websites with lesson plans; resulted in 30 teachers throughout the district presenting information online and the IT department now uses Quia to distribute surveys to district employees

### Leadership and Supervisory Highlights:

- ♦ Class advisor (4 years); supervised student officers and class representatives; assisted fundraising and planning for class events; developed guidebook of timelines and projects for future advisors to follow
- ♦ Supervised 20 student telecounselors in admissions; achieved highest number of enrolled students
- ♦ Co-led mission trips to Thailand and Venezuela (15 students each); assisted in planning and leading two junior high and high school mission trips to Mexico

### Customer Service Highlights:

- ♦ Interviewed and reviewed prospective college students; accepted and denied applications; assisted students to transition from home life to college life
- ♦ Designed all visitor schedules by coordinating appointments with instructors, hosts, and counselors
- ♦ Hosted visiting students; assisted university counselors during special visit weekends
- ♦ Conducted tours of university campus and aviation facilities

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## PROFESSIONAL AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### High School Teacher (Biology, AP Biology)

Camas High School

Camas, WA

August 2007 – Present

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### **High School Teacher (Biology, Physical Science, English)**

Merrimack High School Merrimack, NH August 2002 – June 2007

### **Junior High Teacher (English)**

Pine Tree Junior High Longview, TX August 2001 – June 2002

### **Student Teacher (Biology, English)**

Longview HS, White Oak HS, Spring Hill Junior High Longview, TX January 2000 – April 2000

### **Admissions Counselor/Telecounselor Supervisor/Visit Center Assistant and Tour Guide**

LeTourneau University Longview, TX August 1997 – July 2001

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## **MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE**

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- ◆ Member of National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) since 2002
  - ◆ Member of National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT) since 2003
  - ◆ Advising teacher for FIRST Robotics club (Camas High School, 5 years)
  - ◆ Volunteered to develop website for Merrimack teachers association (2 years)
  - ◆ Leader for church high school youth group (7 years); taught weekly Bible studies (3 years)
  - ◆ Taught Sunday School classes for elementary children (6 years)
  - ◆ Senior summer camp counselor for elementary and junior high youth (2 years)
  - ◆ Led and organized Vacation Bible School for elementary children (3 years)
  - ◆ Treasurer for Student Activities Council (LeTourneau University, 2 years); prepared \$26,000 annual budget
  - ◆ Leader for new student orientation (2 years) and peer advisor (1 year) at LeTourneau University
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## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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- ◆ Awarded NEA New Hampshire communications award for website excellence (2006)
  - ◆ Awarded competitive, pay for performance stipend (4 years); portfolio of excellent achievement selected for presentation to school board (2 years)
  - ◆ Member of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society
  - ◆ Member of Gold Key Honor Society (LeTourneau University, required nomination by professor)
  - ◆ Competitively selected and awarded four year, full tuition scholarship to LeTourneau University
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## **EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND CERTIFICATIONS**

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### **State Teaching Certificates**

New Hampshire certified in Biology and English, grades 6-12 (2002, 2005); Texas certified in Biology and English, grades 6-12 (2000); Washington certified in Biology and English, grades 6-12 (July 2007)

### **Masters of Education, Curriculum and Instructional Technology**

Framingham State College Framingham, MA August 2008

### **Website Development Certificate**

University of New Hampshire Durham, NH June 2007

### **Bachelor of Arts, English and Biology Concentration (graduated summa cum laude)**

LeTourneau University Longview, TX May 2000