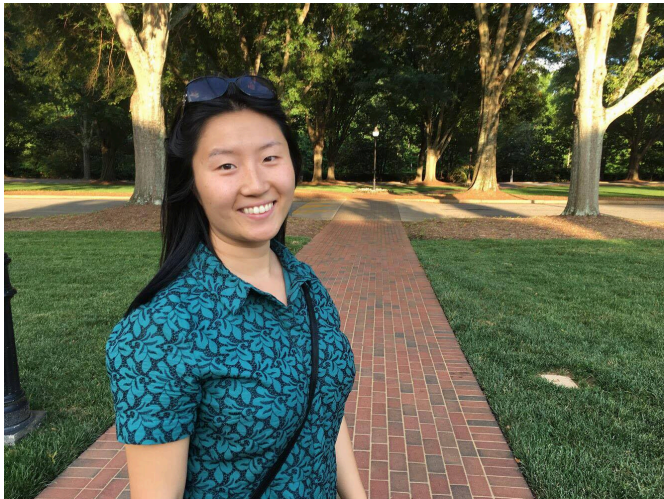


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Professional background information

- Graduate from Chu Zhou University with Bachelor of Arts in Chinese Linguist and Literature at 2012
- Graduate from Florida State University with Master of Science in Foreign and Second Language Teaching from May. 2014
- Obtain Florida Professional Educator's Certificate in World Language Chinese (Grade K-12) and English for Speakers of Other Language (ESOL) Endorsement
- Work at Palm Bay Academy Charter School as full time Chinese Instructor from 2014-2017

Highlights of achievements and contribution

- FFLA Presenter Award at Florida Foreign Language Association Annual Conference
- Curricula Committee Chair & Web Master of Florida Chinese Teacher Association from 2016-2018

Teaching philosophy

I currently work at Palm Bay Academy Language Immersion program as a full time Chinese language teacher. I teach Mandarin to Kindergarten, 2nd and 3rd grade and I am a classroom teacher for 1st grade. My teaching and professional development experience qualify me as an ideal candidate for your lower grade students. I am also a great team player as well as a builder of positive relationships with students, parents, and colleagues. A large variety of teaching approaches will enable me to be a great and unique asset to your school.

I believe that a key element in the foreign language classroom is keeping the students motivated. My personal style of teaching brings enthusiasm, cultural elements, and technology into the classroom to increase learning motivation. I teach with a contagious smile and open personality that helps me to interact with my students as I guide them through their learning process. Teaching my native Mandarin Chinese language enables me to draw upon my own culture and personal experience as a foreign language learner as I teach my students to effectively communicate with me in my own language and, perhaps more importantly, to gain an appreciation for another language and culture.

I believe that effective teachers understand what knowledge their students already have, and find a way to tap into that knowledge and build upon it every day. To me, technology is one of the most important tools an effective teacher can use in the classroom to address different learning styles, to create a productive learning environment, and to increase student motivation.

My lesson plans promote active learning and participation through discussions, skits, presentations, games and small group activities. Additionally, I'm committed to exposing students to real samples of the language as it's used by natives, by incorporating into lessons music, articles, advertisements, film clips, etc. that correspond with the subject or grammatical content being learned.

In addition to classroom teaching, I was also actively involved in extra-curricular activities. Recently the Chinese Immersion Program at Palm Bay Academy was invited to perform at the closing ceremony in FFLA (Florida Foreign Language Association) at Kissimmee, FL 2016. Under my coaching and mentoring, the event was a huge success. Parents were very proud of their children and satisfied with the coaching and the communication within.

These four phrases can accurately describe my personality: enthusiastic, active learner, passionate about teaching children and a team-player. I strive to encourage students to embrace new challenges with curiosity and excitement, and to educate for global competence and prepare our youth to engage the world. This will be my career goal at this moment and for the near future.