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EDUCATION

University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM - Bachelor of Arts- English

AUGUST 2009 - MAY 2013 Final GPA: 3.66

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

A+ Academic Coaching, Albuquerque, NM - Associate Director

DECEMBER 2016 - PRESENT

- One-on-one tutor: special education, Language Arts, and college/career readiness
- Organizing and sending client invoices, collecting payment in a timely fashion
- Writing up professional contracts for school partners for our SAT/ACT readiness program.
- Facilitating hiring staff, onboarding new clients, and copyediting our textbook.

Grant Middle School, Albuquerque, NM - Educational Assistant

AUGUST 2014 - DECEMBER 2016

- Assisted teachers with classroom management and behavioral support.
- Assigned to classrooms with a high volume of disabled or "at risk" children.
- Served as liaison between student and teacher.

Independent Author: Aki Grisham, Albuquerque, NM - Preliminary copyeditor, P.A.

JANUARY 2015 - PRESENT

• Provided support for a published author by managing their social media, creating business cards, and serving as a preliminary content editor and copyeditor before any drafts went to submission.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Eagle Alliance Team GSA: Grant Middle School, Albuquerque, NM - *Staff Supervisor* FEBRUARY 2016 - SEPTEMBER 2020

• Established a Gay-Straight Alliance called The Eagle Alliance Team (EAT) to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ students. EAT hosted a drag show, a charity dance, and student-led discussion events. EAT was the first GSA established in Albuquerque's local middle schools.

PUBLICATION EXPERIENCE

Ayers, Mark (author), Saldana, Danny (contributor), Schaller, Scott (contributor), et al. "Acing the ACT: the Academic Coaching Way". Published Independently. 2019.

Ayers, Mark (author), Saldana, Danny (contributor), Schaller, Scott (contributor), et al. "Acing the SAT: the Academic Coaching Way". Published Independently. 2019.

Saldana, Danny. "'The Stories That Stayed with You': Rivendell and Memory, Trauma, and Nostalgia for the American Millennial." *Cities and Strongholds of Middle-Earth: Essays on the Habitations of Tolkien's Legendarium*, Mythopoeic Press. Forthcoming, 2023.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude
- Recipient of the National Hispanic Merit Scholarship