

SHAIDA ESCOFFERY

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Education

New York University, New York, NY, — M.A.; Africana Studies, January 2016.

Thesis: “Little Girls Blue: Retelling the Racial Narrative.”

University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL,—B.A.; English/Creative Writing and Religious Studies, Minor: Africana Studies. May 2014.

Research Interests

Medical Sociology, Educational Inequalities, and Media Representation of BIPOC.

Awards & Honors

- Etta J. Mallet Scholarship Award, June 2014
- Provost’s Honor Roll May 2013
- Atlantic Coast Conference Creativity and Innovation Fellowship April 2013
- Dean’s List December 2011 and 2013
- Ronald A. Hammond Scholar August 2010- May 2014
- Florida Academic Scholar August 2010-May 2014

Experience

Florida International University, Miami, FL, Graduate Teaching Assistant, August 2019-Current

- Plan, design, organize and teach undergraduate writing and rhetoric courses.
- Utilize active learning strategies such as group discussion, case-based learning, minute writes, think pair share, turn and talk, and visual strategies such as demonstrations and visual modeling.
- Evaluate and grade student work, examinations, assignments and papers.
- Conduct continuous student conferences to encourage growth mindset among students.

Palm Glades Academy, Miami, FL, Language Arts and Reading Teacher, September 2016-June 2019

- Maintain discipline in the classroom; methodically provide resources for lessons; simplify lesson plans in line with curriculum objectives and assist students to prepare for statewide examinations.
- Assess and look after 150+ students’ progress throughout the term and work closely with other staff to efficiently plan and coordinate work.
- Instruct students for the purpose of improving their success in academics through a defined course of study using various teaching methods (i.e. Differentiated Instruction, Gradual Release, etc.)
- Meet with parents and school administration in a professional capacity to present information in an effort to improve student participation and elevate student performance.

Overtown Youth Center, Miami, FL, Data Analyst Intern, June 2016- August 2016

- Interprets data, analyzes results using statistical techniques and provides ongoing reports for grants
- Acquires data from primary and secondary sources and maintains databases and data systems
- Identifies, analyzes, and interprets trends or patterns in student enrollment and student grades

Honey Shine Inc., Miami, FL, Development Intern, August 2015- January 2016

- Supports Development Director and Program Coordinator by conducting prospect research on individual, foundation, and corporate donors
- Maintains donor and grant databases and files, including calendaring deadlines, logging donations
- Generates and sending donor acknowledgements, logging donor appreciation efforts
- Supports staff with logistics associated with special events

Certifications

- Florida Temporary Teaching Certificate English (6-12)

Writings & Publications

- *Bloom*, KRSD Books, 2018
- *Grace Found Me*, KRSD Books, 2017
- *When Seeds Fall*, KRSD Books, 2016
- *The Children of Eden*, KRSD Books, 2015
- *Light Brights & Darkies*, KRSD Books 2014
- *Idle, Wild, Love*, KRSD Books, 2013

Community Engagement

Kingdom Builders Ministries, Miami FL, Volunteer Youth Leader, June 2003- Present

- Assists with planning, implementing and coordinating youth programs for ages 13-19 years old
- Writes, choreographs and produces full-length musicals and drama productions for presentations at annual community events involving teens
- Tutor, mentor and life coach to youth

Skills

- Teaching
- Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Publisher, and Excel). Proficient with Prezi, iMovie, and Windows Movie Maker
- Editing
- Research
- Graphic Design

