

# ADAM M. CLEMENTS

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## CERTIFICATION

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Elementary Education | Grades K – 5 | Self Contained Classrooms for All Subjects  
Language Arts | Grades: 6 – 8  
Mathematics | Grades: 6 - 8  
Adult and Child CPR / First Aid  
Endorsement in Urban Education

## EDUCATION

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- August 2017 Michigan State University | **Master of Arts in Teaching and Curriculum** | East Lansing, MI
- Concentration in Socio-Cultural Perspectives in Teaching and Learning
  - Completed 6 of the graduate credits abroad in South Africa
- May 2012 Michigan State University | **Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education** | East Lansing, MI
- Teaching Major: Language Arts | Teaching Minors: Mathematics, TESOL | Honors College
- June 2007 Herbert Henry Dow High School | **High School Diploma** | Midland, MI

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- 2013 - 2017 **Classroom Teacher** | Hiawatha Elementary School | Grade: **4** | Okemos, MI
- Planned and implemented curriculum adhering to the Common Core State Standards
  - Differentiated instruction for students who are at-risk/emerging, advanced, and learners with special needs
  - Guided students in tracking their own progress in multiple areas through the use of student portfolios
  - Provided leadership to district as a member of the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee
- 2012 - 2013 **Internship Placement** | Attwood Elementary School | Grade: **5** | Lansing, MI
- Independently planned and implemented developmentally appropriate units in all subject areas.
  - Evaluated and assessed student learning using multiple forms of formal and informal assessments.
  - Organized and implemented a weekly afterschool tutoring program.
  - Created and advised the first Attwood Student Council.
- July 2012 **Cross-Cultural Teaching Abroad** | Turfhall Primary | Grade: **3** | Cape Town, South Africa
- Lived and worked with a teacher in South Africa and completed graduate level coursework.
  - Independently managed a classroom of 40 students.
  - Created and taught lessons about U.S. money and Michigan life while integrating math and literacy.
- 2011 - 2012 **Senior Placement** | Cumberland Elementary School | Grade: **3** | Lansing, MI
- Created and taught lessons in science, social studies, language arts, and mathematics.
  - Organized and conducted a PenPal program between 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students and MSU students.
- Spring 2010 **Junior Placement** | Reo Elementary School | Grade: **K** | Lansing, MI
- Administered and evaluated a variety of literacy assessments of an individual student.
  - Worked with small groups of students in literacy development centers and observed a variety of classroom activities and management techniques.
- 2008 - 2009 **Sophomore Placement** | Refugee Development Center | Grade: **1 - 12** | Lansing, MI
- Created and instructed multicultural lessons about race, gender, and social justice.
  - Conducted and presented a student case-study examining the transition of a fifteen year old refugee female from Ivory Coast, Liberia to Lansing, Michigan.
- 2011 - 2012 **Freshman Placement** | Bingham Elementary School | Grade: **3** | Lansing, MI
- Worked closely with an individual student examining and comparing his and my own social identities and how they affected his learning and my teaching while tutoring him in math and reading.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2007 - 2012 **Homework Help Room** | East Lansing Public Library | East Lansing, MI
- *Provided afterschool tutoring assistance to students in grades K – 8.*
- 2010 - 2011 **Reading Guest Teacher** | Siebert Elementary School | Grade: **2** | Midland, MI
- *Provided individualized assistance to below grade level readers and observed teaching practices of MT.*
- July 2009 **Urban Immersion Teaching Fellows Program** | Loving Elementary School | Grade: **K** | Detroit, MI
- *Created and taught math lessons to first grade students during summer school in a high need area.*
- 2008 - 2009 **Tower Guard** | East Lansing, MI
- *Sophomore honors society made up of the top 5% of the freshman class.*
  - *Volunteered for the Resource Centers for Persons with Disabilities at MSU helping students with visual impairments.*
- 2007 - 2009 **Urban Educators Cohort Program** | East Lansing, MI
- *Took extra classes at Michigan State University based on Urban Education.*
  - *Learned about multicultural education and students in an urban setting, covering topics in diversity, poverty, and social justice.*
  - *Participated in professional developments about urban education and schools.*
- July 2006 **Camp Creator and Director** | Kid Trails Camp | Beaverton, MI
- *Created a four day three night summer camp for economically disadvantaged children.*

## EMPLOYMENT

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- 2013 - 2017 **Classroom Teacher** | Okemos Public Schools, MI
- *Provided effective instruction to students and engaged in collaboration and leadership within the school.*
- 2011 - 2013 **PESG Substitute Teaching** | Ingham Country Districts, MI
- *Implemented provided lesson plans and managed students in K - 8 classrooms including Autism Spectrum Disorder rooms and a day-treatment program for court adjudicated youth.*
- 2008 - 2012 **MSU Campus Tour Guide** | Michigan State University | East Lansing, MI
- *Lead groups of various sizes and ages through MSU campus sharing facts and personal stories.*
- 2008 - 2010 **Guest Service Center Representative** | Michigan State University | East Lansing, MI
- *Answered phones, sorted mail, and facilitated questions from residents and guests to the building.*

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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- 06-19-17 **Summer Institute** | Okemos, MI
- *5 day long professional development with multiple engaging speakers*
- 05-07-13 **Launch into Teaching** | MSU and MAPSA | Detroit, MI
- *Keynote speaker for a PD discussing talk in the classroom to 150 principals, PLC leaders, and teachers.*
- 03-09-13 **Lighting the Way for Literacy Conference** | Michigan Reading Association | Grand Rapids, MI
- *Learned of multiple resources for improving writing workshop.*
- 03-24-12 **SMEA Professional Development Conference** | MSU SMEA | East Lansing, MI
- *Learned engaging ways of incorporating music into the classroom.*
- 01-17-12 **Children's Literature in the Classroom** | MSU SMEA | East Lansing, MI
- *Presenter: Doctoral Student Kristen McIlhagga*
  - *Learned numerous sources to find quality children's literature texts and how to incorporate them.*
- 11-19-11 **Childhood Developmental Disorders Workshop** | Cross Country Education | Lansing, MI
- *Presenter: Anita Remig, EdD*
  - *Learned characteristics of various developmental disorders and strategies to increase success in the classroom.*

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## AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

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2014 - 2017	Okemos Education Foundation Apple Award Recognizing Excellence
2012	Outstanding Community Service Award for the College of Education at MSU
2011	Spirit of Rotary Award for Community Service and Citizenship
2011 - 2012	Mary Lee Gardner Gwizdala Endowed Scholarship
2009	Induction to Kappa Delta Pi, International Honors Society in Education
2008	Induction to MSU Tower Guard, Sophomore Honors Society
2007 - 2012	Dean's List, Michigan State University, Every Semester
2007	Eagle Scout   Lake Huron Area Council
2007	Distinguished Finalist in the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards
2007	Presidents Volunteer Service Award

## LEADERSHIP

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2016 - 2017	School Improvement Team   Active Member
2015 - 2016	World Language Committee   Active Member
2014 - 2017	Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee   Active Member
2007 - 2012	Tomorrow's Educators for the Advancement of Multiculturalism   Director of TEAM
2007 - 2012	Student Michigan Education Association   Community Service Coordinator / Publicity Chair
2008 - 2012	Kappa Delta Pi   Active Member
2008 - 2009	Tower Guard   Shamrock Run-Walk-Roll 5K Coordinator

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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2013	Michigan Reading Association
2007 - 2012	Student Michigan Education Association
2009 - 2012	Kappa Delta Pi

## ADDITIONAL SKILLS

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- Proficient in Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, PowerPoint
- Experienced in Adobe Photoshop and graphic arts
- Skilled at painting, sculpting, woodwork, carpentry, photography, electronics, skiing, swimming
- Lifetime experience working with developmentally disabled and special needs children/adults

## REFERENCES

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**Gary Kinzer** | 517-706-4501 | [gary.kinzer@okemosk12.net](mailto:gary.kinzer@okemosk12.net)

- Principal of Hiawatha Elementary School, Okemos, MI
- Ask about classroom engagement, leadership within the school and district

**Robb Shubel** | 517-706-4530 | [robb.shubel@okemosk12.net](mailto:robb.shubel@okemosk12.net)

- 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Hiawatha Elementary School, Okemos, MI
- Ask about collaboration, teamwork

**Brad Jaskolski** | 517-256-1388 | [Brad.Jaskolski@lansingschools.net](mailto:Brad.Jaskolski@lansingschools.net)

- 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Attwood Elementary School, Lansing, MI
- Ask about classroom management, classroom organization, ability to connect with students, lesson plans

**Dr. Sonya Gunnings-Moton** | 517-432-5093 | [gunnings@msu.edu](mailto:gunnings@msu.edu)

- MSU Assistant Dean to the College of Education
- Ask about TEAM program, volunteer and leadership contributions to the College of Education at MSU