

MAYSON P. TAYLOR

Aspiring Writer, Editor, & Educator

EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS, ENGLISH, CONCENTRATION IN RHETORIC & COMPOSITION **Aug 2026 - May 2028**
University of North Carolina - Wilmington *Wilmington, NC*

Relevant Courses: Introduction to Research Methods in English, Studies in Nonfiction: Journalism and American Democracy, Introduction to Literary Theory

Work Study: Teaching Assistant for first-year writing courses at UNCW, as well as a writing center coach.

BACHELOR OF ARTS, ENGLISH, MINOR IN CREATIVE WRITING **Aug 2022 - Dec 2024**
High Point University *High Point, NC*

GPA: 3.43

Relevant Courses: Creative Writing, Professional/Public Writing, Writing Fiction, Writing Poetry, Rhetoric of Podcasts, English Independent Study, Advanced Creative Writing Studio, Community Writing, Senior Portfolio

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS **Aug 2018 - May 2022**
Davidson-Davie Community College *Lexington, NC*

GPA: 3.90

Relevant Courses: Research & Writing, British Literature, American Literature, Writing & Inquiry

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP **Aug 2026 - May 2028**
University of North Carolina - Wilmington - Wilmington, NC *Part-Time In Person*

- ◆ Evaluated and provided constructive, detailed feedback on critical essays, research papers, and creative writing submissions for over 90 students per semester.
- ◆ Guided students through the research process, including primary/secondary source evaluation, database navigation, and proper MLA/APA citation frameworks.
- ◆ Collaborated with faculty supervisors and fellow GTAs to standardize course rubrics, align curriculum goals, and share effective pedagogical strategies.
- ◆ Participated in professional development workshops hosted by the UNCW Department of English to refine classroom management skills and innovative teaching methodologies.
- ◆ Conducted weekly office hours to provide targeted, individualized mentorship on thesis development, essay structuring, and the mechanics of writing.

6TH GRADE ELA TEACHER **Aug 2025 - June 2026**
East Millbrook Magnet Middle School - Raleigh, NC *Full-Time In Person*

- ◆ Develop and deliver engaging, standards-aligned ELA lessons that build students' reading comprehension, writing skills, and academic vocabulary.
- ◆ Design and facilitate whole-group, small-group, and independent learning structures to meet diverse learners' needs.
- ◆ Design and teach creative writing lessons that introduce students to narrative structure, character development, dialogue, and descriptive language.
- ◆ Lead writing workshops that model craft techniques, guide students through revision, and encourage constructive peer feedback.
- ◆ Collaborate with grade-level teams to align curriculum, share best practices, and support school literacy goals.
- ◆ Lead an acceleration class focused on bringing students to grade-level proficiency in reading comprehension and fluency.
- ◆ Provide targeted small-group instruction using research-based intervention strategies and leveled texts.

EDITORIAL & MARKET RESEARCH INTERN

May 2024 - Present

Premier Flooring Retailer

Remote

- ◆ Conducted in-depth market research on Gen-Z and Millennial shopping behaviors, informing content strategies that enhanced audience engagement.
- ◆ Crafted targeted articles on retail trends, driving a measurable increase in readership and establishing brand authority in the flooring sector.
- ◆ Collaborated with cross-functional teams to align editorial content with marketing goals, fostering cohesive messaging across platforms.
- ◆ Analyzed emerging trends in flooring to shape content strategy, resulting in increased audience engagement and elevated brand visibility.

SKILLS

Creative Writing, Editing, Proofreading, Research, Project Management, Digital Marketing, Content Creation, Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Cloud, Content Strategy, Audience Engagement

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PUBLICATIONS

Apogee Magazine

Published numerous poems through High Point University's poetry magazine.

PROJECTS

Independent Study Project

Wrote a novella one-on-one with a professor during Spring 2024, publication is pending.

ORGANIZATIONS

- Sigma Tau Delta - Honor's Society for English Students
- Alpha Phi Omega - Co-Ed Service Fraternity, averaging 60 hours of community service per semester
- English Club - Served as secretary

HONORS

- Presidential Scholar at High Point University, received a scholarship of \$54,000 for academic honors during High School.
 - Dean's List Recipient for three consecutive semesters.
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