NOLAN RUSSELL

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A patient, empathetic, and dedicated leader committed to empowering youth.

WORK EXPERIENCE

NOV 2022 - MAY 2023

MATH AND ENGLISH TUTOR, YMCA Y'S MOVE TUTORING PROGRAM

- Provided academic support to students from grade 6 to 11.
- Created and implemented quizzes and lesson plans to support academic development.
- Tailored flexible tutoring approaches to meet individual student needs.
- Facilitated group classroom discussions and interactive lesson tasks.
- Maintained accurate records and submitted detailed daily reports.
- Worked with diverse students, including newcomers to Canada, students with learning disabilities, and those with limited English proficiency.

SEPTEMBER 2024 - MAY 2025

AFTER SCHOOL EDUCATOR, YMCA'S BEYOND THE BELL PROGRAM

- Supervised 30 students at a King's Road Public School in Burlington.
- Enforced child safety protocols and standards to ensure a safe and positive learning space.
- Assisted students with reading, writing, physical literacy, and health/nutrition every day.
- Planned and led weekly educational activities, alternating between art and STEM.
- Provided additional academic, social, or emotional support to students when needed.
- Encouraged and rewarded students that exemplified YMCA core values.
- Led inclusive and fun outdoor/gym activities at beginning and end of each shift.

SEPTEMBER 2022 - PRESENT

BASKETBALL COACH, JUMP BASKETBALL

- Coach several teams each season, composed of players ranging from ages 4-14.
- Identify strengths and weaknesses and tailor coaching strategies to maximize potential.
- Prioritize equity and inclusion in alignment with the league's principles.
- Emphasize positivity, sportsmanship, teamwork, and a strong work ethic.
- Ensure equal attention, opportunities, and playing time is given to each player.

PLACEMENT EXPERIENCE

OCTOBER 2025 - PRESENT

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP, NELSON HIGH SCHOOL BURLINGTON

- Assisted the business department lead in teaching his three courses: BEP2O, BBB4M, BAT4M
- Developed and taught two lesson plans for BBB4M
- Volunteered to help coach the Bantam boys' basketball team.

EDUCATION

SPETMEBER 2018 – JULY 2022

SPORT MANAGEMENT GRADUATE, BROCK UNIVERSITY

- Recipient of Brock Scholars Award for 90% admission average.
- Honors Degree in Bachelors of Sports Management.

JANUARY 2025-APRIL 2026

TEACHER EDUCATION STUDENT, NIAGARA UNIVERSITY

- Currently attending the Online Master of Science in Education Program.
- 4.0 GPA

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

DECEMBER 2015 - FEBRUARY 2016

JUNIOR BASKETBALL HEAD COACH, ST. JOHN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BURLINGTON

- Guided and taught 12-14-year-old boys the fundamentals of basketball.
- Motivated a desire for success.
- Encouraged the importance of good sportsmanship, dedication, and teamwork.
- Evaluated the skill level of players to determine game strategies and practice plans.

DECEMBER 2017 - APRIL 2018

DRILL ASSISTANT, YMCA'S CO-ED YOUTH BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

- Assisted in the facilitation of youth basketball programs as part of a volunteer team.
- Organized and conducted basketball drills for roughly 40 kids, ages 6-13.
- Taught fundamentals to players of varying skill levels.
- Officiated exhibition games at the end of each session.

SEPTEMBER 2020 - AUGUST 2023

EDITOR AND HEAD OF BASKETBALL DEPARTMENT, OVER THE LINE SPORTS

- Wrote, edited, and published articles for student-run sports journalism website.
- Provided feedback to aspiring journalists to help improve their writing skills.
- Organized a schedule and motivated writers to ensure articles were published accordingly.
- Cohosted, edited, and managed the social media for the website's basketball podcast.

JUNE 2023 - PRESENT

VICE PRESIDENT, GOLDEN HORSESHOE BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

- Founding member and Vice President of a not-for-profit men's basketball league.
- Serve on the Board of Directors and disciplinary committee overseeing league operations.
- Ensure league operations run smoothly on game days.
- Organize and track statistics, leaderboards, and records.
- Operate and manage the league's social media.

SKILLS AND ATTRIBUTES

- Dynamic Communication and Writing Skills
- Effective Youth Engagement and Mentorship
- Proficient with Excel and Data Analysis
- Experience with Classroom Management
- Positive Attitude and Behaviour
- Trustworthy and Reliable
- Confident Leader and Problem-Solver
- Patient and Flexible

INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

- Participate in a large variety of sports.
- Passionate about community service and working with youth.
- Movie aficionado.
- Love to read books and write stories.
- Enjoy travelling and learning about other places and cultures.

REFERENCES

Edgar Hernandez

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