

CANDIDATE'S PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please write a short statement discussing why the prospect of teaching overseas interests you. Include the qualifications, philosophy and experiences which demonstrate you are a particularly good candidate for an overseas post, and your expectations for an overseas assignment. **Please type and limit to the space provided on the front of this one page.**

The most important fact you need to know about me right now is that my current school is fighting to keep me. I am a teacher in every aspect of my life and I thrive on helping others to better themselves! There is no other way for me. I only feel success when those in my charge experience the same.

There are not very many teachers like myself. I am one of those international teachers that you will see on the panel of speakers in twenty years. I will be telling stories of the many international schools and countries I have taught in. Yes, I plan to be a "lifer" in the international teaching scenario!

Not only do international teachers have to learn the students' needs, they must also learn the nuances of a new language and culture. I am an adapter and facilitator of change. The last three years in Honduras have been very enlightening and challenging.

I have enjoyed planning the orientation of the new hire foreign teachers. New teachers need to feel safe and at "at home" upon arrival. I have also helped develop after school activities such as the scuba diving club, and played a major role in the development of a new, online, school-wide grading and communication system.

Our school recently went through the S.A.C.S. accreditation process and I was actively involved in curriculum planning, student learning, and technology integration. The School Improvement Process was a rewarding opportunity that allowed me to work on whole school strategies, while aiding in the implementation of new ideas regarding "how our students are learning"!

I expect to teach in a professional school where the teachers and administration work together to help kids learn to think for themselves. If you are looking for a passionate and eager individual that will improve the learning in your school, then it is time to meet me in person.

List honors, awards, professional fellowships. _____

List professional associations. _____

What activities have you organized? _____

What are your hobbies/outside interests? _____

Your name _____ Date _____

First

Last

Last four digits of your Social Security # _____

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