

Stephanie E. Davis

Dedicated Teacher of the Blind with 11 years experience in developing appropriate educational accommodations for the blind. Recipient of the Fulbright Distinguished Award in Teaching in 2018. Skilled in braille and other accessibility technology. Available to relocate.

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EDUCATION

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA — *Masters of Education*

December 2012

George Washington University, Washington, DC — *Bachelors of Arts*

May 2006

DISABILITY SERVICES EXPERIENCE

Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Pittsburgh, PA — *Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments and Orientation and Mobility Specialist*

SEPTEMBER 2009 - PRESENT

- Manage a caseload of up to 25 students ranging from preschool to high school seniors with a range of academic abilities
- Cultivate connections and strong student rapport to foster engagement
- Create and manage Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and other educational documentation to address student learning objectives, strategies, and support services
- Utilize databases to input student data including IEPWriter, Skyward, and Sungard
- Coordinate lessons and conduct interviews with people who are visually impaired and students to foster a student/mentor relationship
- Administer career interest inventories, schedule job interviews, and other career planning activities for high school students
- Act as a liaison with school, teachers, paraprofessionals and families to schedule lessons, address accommodations, and any additional needs
- Administer assessments and create daily lesson plans
- Provide state testing accommodations following protocols and guidelines
- Complete trainings for school personnel and classroom students on disability related topics
- Teach assistive technology to ensure students could access the curriculum
- Collaborate with state and local businesses and agencies to support student IEPs and growth
- Maintain student confidential records respecting HIPAA and FERPA
- Comply with ADA guidelines and instruct students about their rights
- Complete monthly required professional development hours that include attending trainings and conducting research

AWARDS

Fulbright Distinguished Award in Teaching
Hyderabad, India

TECHNOLOGY

MacOS and Windows OS

Office Suite knowledge
(Microsoft and G Suite)

Braille Notetakers

OCR Scanners including
PDF Expert

Bookshare and Learning
Ally to access textbooks

Refreshable braille display

Braille printer/embosser

Braille Translation
Software

JAWS/NVDA knowledge

Accessible iOS features

KNFB Reader

Seeing AI

Envision Blind Sports Camp, Slippery Rock, PA — Resident Expert/Internship Supervisor

JUNE 2019 - AUGUST 2019

- Instructed camp counselors on various techniques to work with blind and visually impaired athletes
- Trained and advised a college student working towards Orientation and Mobility certification
- Provided constructive feedback to ensure academic growth
- Created accessible certificates for campers who are braille readers

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA — Course Instructor

JULY 2015 - AUGUST 2015

- Employed a variety of teaching techniques to engage students and cater to diverse learning modalities
- Analyzed program materials and communicated updates to keep department materials relevant and accurate
- Created lesson plans, materials and exercises to illustrate application of course concepts
- Established strong rapport with students through class discussions and academic advisement
- Coordinated with department head to ensure course materials were relevant

Miami Lighthouse for the Blind, Miami, FL — Orientation and Mobility Intern

MAY 2010 - AUGUST 2010

- Collaborated with various teams developing a comprehensive program based on client goals
- Instructed adult students to ensure safe travel skills
- Interviewed clients completing intake paperwork to develop client goals
- Developed and implemented action plan

INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Active Listening

Sensitivity to Diversity

Problem Solving

Customer Support

Teamwork

Critical Thinking

Creativity

Inquiry

PRESENTATIONS

Unified English Braille — Penn Dell AER Conference

April 2016

CERTIFICATIONS

Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation and Education Professionals (ACVREP) Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialist

Pennsylvania Certified Teacher of the Visually Impaired (Willing to obtain certification in other states)

Candidate for Reading Certification