

Laura Simmons

Engaging history teacher fostering critical thinking and historical analysis

History teacher with 10 years of experience teaching American and world history. Skilled in curriculum development, debate facilitation, and using primary sources to enhance learning.

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EDUCATION

June 2010 | Bachelor of Arts
(B.A.) in History

University of Oregon, Eugene,
OR

KEY SKILLS

- Curriculum development
- Debate moderation
- Historical research methods
- Student-centered teaching

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

History teacher | Jefferson High School | Portland, OR
September 2013 – Present

- Teach American and world history to students in grades 9 to 12, achieving a 95% pass rate in state history exams
- Introduce project-based learning initiatives, including historical reenactments and mock trials
- Lead a debate club, increasing student participation by 40% over two years

Social studies teacher | Pioneer Middle School | Portland, OR
September 2010 – June 2013

- Taught introductory history and civics courses to 7th and 8th-grade students
- Developed interactive lesson plans focusing on real-world applications