Joseph A. Fernandez

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EDUCATION

University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, Texas

Master of Science in Biotechnology May 2019

Baylor University, Waco, Texas Bachelor of Science in Biology May 2015

WORK EXPERIENCE

05/17 - Present Head Color Guard Director, Wylie East High School - Wylie, Texas

- Instruct students in both dance and color guard for the Pride of the East Marching Band and Wylie East Royals.
- Choreograph shows for the color guard, and led the students to UIL Sweepstakes and finished 7th at the 5A
 UIL State Marching Contest during the fall of 2019.
- Tripled the size of the organization and established a middle school program called the Jr. Royals, which introduces students to technique in both flag and dance.
- Achieved numerous awards and accolades for both the Jr. Varsity and Varsity Royals Winter Guards.

05/19 - 05/21 Head Color Guard Director, McKinney Boyd High School - McKinney, Texas

- Instructed students in color guard for the McKinney HS Bronco Band.
- Choreographed shows for the color guard, and led the students to UIL Sweepstakes at the UIL Region Marching Contest.
- Functioned as the Visual Designer for the marching band, and choreographed the movement for the band, which was seen in the fall 2019 and 2020 productions.
- Placed in the top 3 at all NTCA Winter Guard events during the spring of 2020.

12/16 - 05/18 **Lead Color Guard Technician**, **Lone Star High School** - *Frisco, Texas*

- Instructed students in color guard for the Lone Star High School Winter Guard while the head instructor was on maternity leave during the spring of 2017.
- Choreographed the first half of the performance and assisted in leading the students to 2nd place at MA Nationals in Ft. Worth, TX.
- Choreographed shows for the color guard and led the students to UIL Sweepstakes, top 4 at UIL Area and finished 11th at the 5A UIL State Marching Contest during the fall of 2017.

06/16 - 05/17 Head Color Guard Director, T.H. Williams High School - Plano, Texas

- Instructed students in both dance and color guard for the T. H. Williams Warrior Band.
- Choreographed shows for the color guard and led the students to UIL Sweepstakes at the 6A Non-Varsity UIL Region Marching Contest during the fall of 2016.

06/16 - 05/17 Color Guard Technician, Plano East Senior High School - Plano, Texas

- Instructed students in both dance and color guard for the Plano East Panther Band.
- Choreographed shows for the color guard and led the students to UIL Sweepstakes, top 5 at UIL Area and qualified to compete at the 6A UIL State Marching Competition during the fall of 2016.

08/15 - 05/16 Scribe, PhysAssist Scribes - Dallas, Texas

- Worked exclusively with physicians at both Methodist Dallas and Charlton Medical Centers in gathering patient information in the ED as a scribe.
- Was responsible for charting both accurate and thorough documentation in the EMR.

08/13 - 05/15 Biology Lab Assistant, Baylor University - Waco, Texas

- Worked exclusively with both the program coordinator and teaching assistants in making sure that the lab was run effectively and smoothly.
- Was a resource for pre-med students in answering any questions that they might have during the regularly scheduled lab.
- Lead Open-Labs, in which students came in with a variety of questions the Friday before their exam.

08/13 – 05/15 Sales Associate, Coach Factory Store – Allen, Texas

- Worked primarily as a sale associate assisting multiple customers with their purchasing needs.
- Was promoted by both the Regional and State Manager to become a sales associate trainer due to both work ethic and customer compliments.
- Won numerous awards for excellent customer service, high ADT (Average Dollar per Transaction) and high SPH (Sales per Hour).

05/11 - 08/12 Head Color Guard Director, Midway High School - Midway, Texas

- Instructed students in color guard for the Midway H.S. Panther Band.
- Choreographed shows for the winter guard and led the students to a gold medal at the NTCA Regional A Championships.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

12/17 - Present Volunteer, The Salvation Army - Plano, Texas

- Collected and purchased items to complete a child's wish/needs list for Christmas.
- Assisted other volunteers in sorting through "hundreds" of bags at a local Salvation Army Center in order to align bags to their respective angels for distribution.
- Worked the distribution day and presented the angel's gifts to their respective guardians.

07/15 - 12/17 Head Research Associate, UTSW Emergency Medicine Research Associates Program - Dallas, Texas

- Selected by Dr. Ava Pierce, MD to be one of 40 research associates, comprised both of undergraduate and graduate students, to lead 3 clinical research studies at Parkland Memorial Hospital.
- Enrolled patients in these studies based on certain inclusion criteria that were met while being stabilized in the Emergency Department.

07/15 - 12/17 Emergency Department Volunteer, Baylor Scott & White, Hillcrest -Waco, Texas

- Served as an aid to both nurses and doctors during their rounds.
- Assisted in taking patients from either the waiting room to triage, or from trauma to other wings of the hospital.
- Other duties included providing any form of comfort to both patients and their family members, and retrieving either medical supplies or blankets from their respective storage areas.

07/15 – 12/17 Head Sing Chair, Baylor University –Waco, Texas

- Organized Beta's first All-University Sing performance in over 40 years at Baylor University.
- Duties included writing and teaching choreography, attending bi-weekly meetings, aiding in both the
 painting of the backdrop and construction of props, assisting in light tech workshops and working with a
 music arranger.

12/09 - 12/14 Charity Coordinator, Cooks Children's Medical Center -Ft. Worth, Texas

- Established a charity, Capt. Cook's Treasures, through my high school and university in which individuals donated new, medium to large stuffed animals for the children of the hospital whose parents were overcome with financial debt due to treatments during the holidays.
- Coordinated with volunteers and the collection of donations.

LEADERSHIP AND HONORS

- Head Research Associate, UTSW Emergency Medicine Research Associates Program Dallas, Texas
- Recipient, GRAD Assistance Grant Richardson, Texas
- Head Sing Chair, Baylor University Waco, Texas

- V.P. of Philanthropy, Beta Theta Pi Waco, Texas
- Line Camp Leader, Baylor University Waco, Texas
- Dean's List, Baylor University Waco, Texas
- Recipient, Provosts' Gold Scholarship Waco, Texas

LANGUAGES

• Spanish: fluent (speaking, reading); intermediate (writing)