

Azaria Brown

Fiction Writer



Professional Summary

Motivated fiction writer with experience in delivering engaging lessons to students and helping attain strong understanding of the writing process.

Proficient in fostering a creative and welcoming environment, conducting research and assessing student progress.



Work History

2023-08 -Current

Instructor

University Of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE

- Evaluate and revise lesson plans and course content to achieve student-centered learning.
- Track student progress, frequently checking in with struggling students and identifying root causes of problems.
- Optimize day-to-day instruction to align educational strategies with industry best practices.
- Optimize learning plans based on student performance and feedback.

2021-08 -2021-12

Writing Fellow

Butler University, Indianapolis, IN

- Taught small groups of students focused on specific parts of coursework.
- Mentored and advised students to focus on academics and explore opportunities.
- Monitored student progress to identify weaknesses and provide recommendations for improvement.
- Assisted with development and implementation of new course materials to enhance learning



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Proofreading and editing



Excellent

Reading assignments



Very Good

Literature analysis

Very Good

Writing coursework

Very Good

Search Engine Optimization

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Good

Student research guidance

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Very Good

Classroom presentations

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Excellent

Online learning tools



Excellent

- experience.
- Managed time efficiently in order to complete all tasks within deadlines.

2018-07 -Current

Head of Editorial Content

Concept Moon Studios

- Approved, reviewed and edited content flowing to website.
- Edited and proofread content for accuracy and readability.
- Developed strategies to optimize website content for search engine visibility.
- Conducted research and collaborated with subject matter experts to develop accurate content.
- Used content management system to analyze user engagement and website traffic metrics.

2018-07 -Current

Freelancer

A. Brown Creative LLC

- Utilized exceptional writing, editing, and proofreading skills to produce engaging and error-free content.
- Wrote and edited high-quality content and visually impactful programs under deadline pressure with exciting, captivating, and authentic approach.
- Completed thorough research into assigned topics.
- Performed keyword research to optimize content for SEO.
- Repurposed and optimized existing content for use in different mediums.
- Formatted content to adhere to industry-specific style guides.
- Developed content for press releases and newsletters to promote products and services.

2019-06 -2022-06

Engagement Coordinator

Westminster Neighborhood Services, Indianapolis, IN

• Built and maintained relationships with community

- organizations.
- Developed and implemented dynamic communication strategies.
- Conducted analysis of community needs and resources to support strategic plans.
- Managed volunteer calendar and verified coverage of key roles during volunteer unavailability.
- Developed volunteer policies and procedures, codes of conduct, and volunteer standards.
- Recruited and trained new volunteers on volunteer program goals and objectives.
- Created volunteer handbook to provide information on volunteer roles, responsibilities and expectations.

2018-07 -2019-01

Audible Addixion / Music Writer Intern

Audible Addixion (Defunct)

- Completed thorough research into assigned topics.
- Organized material to research and complete writing tasks.
- Collaborated with team members on topic ideation to determine key buyer personas and goals.
- Consulted with customers to understand project requirements and purpose.

2018-01 -2018-05

Creative Writing Assistant

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- Chose and followed targeted styles, grammatical approaches and narrative voices for each piece.
- Conducted readings, signing and launch events to promote books and build audience loyalty.
- Worked with copyediting and development editors to enhance development and presentation of each piece.
- Revised written material to meet personal standards and to satisfy needs of clients, publishers or producers.

2017-08 -2017-12

Gallery Intern

Riverviews Artspace, Lynchburg, VA

- Monitored inventory of gallery operations supplies and replenished items to maintain required stock.
- Guided gallery visitors through facility and delivered engaging talks on exhibitions to stimulate interest and facilitate sales.
- Promoted events and exhibits via social media, email and other communication methods
- Networked at creative events to identify new talent and artistic works in local areas.
- Proven ability to learn quickly and adapt to new situations.

2017-07 -2017-08

Creative Writing Instructor

Odyssey Teen Camp, Holmes, NY

- Developed and implemented class materials and assignments.
- Created and administered interactive activities for students.
- Led classroom discussions to encourage students to analyze literature critically.
- Facilitated group discussions to explore works of literature.

2016-08 -2018-12

Resident Assistant

University of Lynchburg, Lynchburg, VA

- Assisted residents in preparing for activity and social programs.
- Responded to room transfers, incident reports, and maintenance requests.
- Attended, participated, and contributed to monthly staff meetings addressing resident needs.
- Maintained clean, safe, and well-organized patient environment.
- Monitored and inspected residence hall rooms to determine safety and manage maintenance issues.
- Collaborated with other university staff and faculty to provide holistic and comprehensive student experience.



Education

2023-06 -Current

Ph.D.: Creative Writing

University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Lincoln, NE

2020-08 -2023-05

Master of Fine Arts: Fiction

Butler University - Indianapolis, IN

Writing Fellow — Editorial and Tutoring Experience

- 4.0 GPA
- Thesis: The Jubilant City Almanac

2015-05 -2018-05

Bachelor of Arts: English And Creative Writing

University of Lynchburg - Lynchburg, VA

- Dean's List Spring 2015-Spring 2018
- Awarded the Floyd H. & Rowe M. Crews Memorial Award, 2018
- Awarded the Libbie Keeton LaPrade Creative Writing Award, 2018
- 3.77 GPA
- Kappa Delta Pi Member
- Sigma Tau Delta Member
- Capstone Project: Creating an Authentic

Portrayal of Black Characters, a creative writing project including research and the implementation of certain writing strategies to create authentic characters



Publications, Awards and Readings

- "Three Years Later," Black Joy Unbound, 2023 (Forthcoming)
- "Who Shot Ya?" Awake, 2023 (Forthcoming)
- "Waterman-Men," The Plaza Prizes International Flash Fiction Contest, First Place, 2023
- "Collection," Revolution Publication, 2023
- "Seven Days in West Side-ville," Empyrean Literary Magazine, 2023
- "Cleo and the Queen," Honey Literary Magazine, 2023
- "Waterman Men," The Literary Cauldron: Spooky Stories by Local Writers, 2022
- "Jeremiah, Draft 1," It Could Happen to You Reading, 2022
- Maurice Broaddus, Butler Writer in Residence, Introduction Speaker, 2022
- "Everything for Sale," "A Six Headed Hydra" and
 "A Flood in New Orleans," Fight Club Reading,
 2022
- Hanif Abdurraqib, Butler Writer in Residence, Introduction Speaker, 2021
- "An Architectural Salvage," Entropy Magazine,
 2020
- "Waterman Men," RueScribe, 2019
- Riverviews Artspace Tri-College Reading, Lynchburg College Correspondent, 2018
- "Uncle Tobias," Hollins University Lex Allen Fiction
 Prize Finalist, 2018
- "Limousine of Shame," "Devil of Flatbush," "August 1999-My Daddy Teaches Me to Find the Light,"
 The Prism, 2018
- "As I Wait for a Miracle," The Prism, 2017
- "No Ma'am," University and College Poetry Prize Honorable Mention, 2017
- Tim Seibles, Poet Laureate of Virginia, Introduction

Speaker, 2017

- "Uncle Tobias" and "'No Ma'am'," Riverviews Artspace Reading, 2017
- "Cupid's Zuronia," "Imogen," "Mindless," "Enucleation," *The Prism*, 2016
- "Jezebel," The Aurous, 2015