

Sunni James

EXPERIENCE

California Virtual Academies, Los Angeles, CA — *Education Specialist*

July 2023 - PRESENT

My responsibilities include creating lessons to provide specialized academic instruction, writing IEPs, and conducting IEP meetings. Among partnering with parents, service providers, and general education teachers, ensuring that students receive the accommodations and services offered to them as part of FAPE are also part of my duties as an education specialist.

Sojourner Truth Independent Study, Oakland, CA — *Teacher*

September 2021 - July 2023

Using the California Common Core Standards and required curriculum to create lesson plans that will enrich students in both the areas of English Language Arts and World History. My role as an Instructional Leadership Team Member consists of me advocating for other teachers as the designated Teacher Liaison, as well as compiling student data to better serve our students, and conducting schoolwide parent outreach when necessary among my many other duties

Options for Youth, Los Angeles, CA — *Special Education Specialist*

June 2017 - September 2021

Educating middle and high school students who have mild to moderate disabilities by providing academic support to them during their specialized academic instruction appointment times. Collaborating with general educators, parents, and other staff to implement the services in my students' IEPs as well as fulfilling my role as their case manager are also a large part of my duties here.

Hawthorne High School (CVUHSD), Hawthorne, CA — *Special Education Teacher*

October 2015 - June 2017

Educated high school students with individualized education plans (IEPs) in the areas of Environmental Science, Biology, Read 180, and English. I created lesson plans in each of the aforementioned subjects in a modified form based on their grade level and common core standards. This also

SKILLS

Collaboration.
Leadership.
Technology.
Community building.

AWARDS

Spring 2011 - Young Black Scholars Los Angeles, CA Coach to the Hundred Black Men of LA's Middle School Team

In addition to taking the trophy in the One Hundred Black Men of America's Annual National Black History Challenge Bowl on their high school team, I was the coach to their middle school team as well. I took special time out of my schedule as a senior in high school and a member of the high school team to teach, motivate, and prepare the middle school team which led them to their very own victory in the competition.

included the responsibility of being a case manager to multiple students, preparing and conducting IEP meetings, as well as progress monitoring how well the students were doing in meeting the goals that I have created for them.

EDUCATION

California State University Dominguez Hills, Carson, CA — *Masters of Arts (Education)*

August 2015 - December 2021

During this time, I also obtained both my preliminary and clear Education Specialist credential at CSUDH.

California State University Dominguez Hills, Carson, CA — *Bachelor of Arts (English Education)*

August 2011 - August 2015