

My Name is Justin Erickson and I currently teach Engineering Technology at Haile Middle School in Manatee County, Florida. I will be finishing my Masters Degree in Career and Technical Education from this University of South Florida this August. In Completion of the degree, I will also acquire my Florida Directors Certificate in Career and Technical Education. I continue to be a part of training future teachers in the critical area of technology education. I have been teaching technology education for 8 years and have been a mentor and teacher trainee to elementary, middle and high school teachers. I have a true passion for the advancement of STEM education and promotion of technology literacy in the education field. I have displayed student success in the areas of CAD, CNC, laser engraving, robotics, construction, Technology Student Association and numerous other STEM related areas. I have been asked to train and mentor elementary, middle and high school teachers at the district, state and national levels with organizations such as ITEEA, ACTE, and Engineering by Design and SolidWorks. My program was awarded program of the year in 2009 by the International Technology Education Association, and has continued to be a national K-12 STEM model program. In 2012, I had 8 of the youngest students in the world achieve their industry certification in SolidWorks, and 3 more placing 8th in the world in VEX robotics.

I am confident that as a teacher at the University level, I can create a rigorous and relevant learning environment that is student-centered. I welcome the opportunity to discuss with you in person my ideas and qualifications. If you have any questions or would like to arrange an interview, I may be reached at (941)-284-4346 or jderickson@sbcglobal.net. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Justin Erickson