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Why I love working with WorldStrides Canada

The Tour Consultants and the experience they bring to the planning process. I love the flexibility we have to customize itineraries, plus the pricing is great. And, the perks we get as teachers and Program Leaders are fantastic, including the awesome conventions!

A snapshot of my teaching career

I've taught at Independent Christian Junior High, with stints in the Young Offender Centre Secondary Program. I've also participated in the Kosovo Teacher Education Program, while getting my Master of Education at University of Calgary. The last eight years have been so inspiring and exhilarating because of these trips. I feel very lucky to be connected with the rest of the world through my work and through travel.

My favourite hobbies

Guitars; really music in general. Also, photography, reading, and learning Italian.

A WorldStrides Canada trip to remember

Every year I seem to have a new favourite, but I am leaning toward 2017 Vimy, Normandy, South of France, Florence, and Rome. We had an outstanding group of kids and parents and it was one of the best 14 days of my life!

What inspires me to organize educational tours

Sharing a passion for "learning by being there" with students and their parents, as well as my teaching comrades and our Tour Directors. Also, finding new activities to do and working with WorldStrides Canada to create the perfect tour.

I love this quote from Ibn Battuta: "Travel renders us mute; then it makes us storytellers."

Why I can help you lead a successful educational tour

Enthusiasm and knowledge about our experiences on these tours, and especially helping kids learn to think cross culturally. Travel brings transformation.

My all-time favourite travel story

Standing in St. Peter's after viewing La Pieta, I noticed one of our students was away from the group crying. Suspecting homesickness or exhaustion, I asked her if she was okay. She looked around and through her tears said, "Yes, but I just can't believe I am here and seeing this." It was our first tour, and I knew at that moment, we would be offering this tour, or something similar to it, every year. And that's what we've done, and what I hope to keep doing, for the rest of my career!

Location

Calgary, Alberta

Languages

English and learning Italian

Commonly used travel provider

Explorica

My favourite subjects & interests

History, Culture, Geography, and Archeology

My bucket list travel destination

Egypt

My favourite international food

Italian

My favourite travel destinations

Italy and Normandy

