

# Teaching in Independent Schools PATHS Seminar

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Independent schools are eager for talented instructors with graduate-level training. Yet most PhD students have not had the opportunity to develop the specialized pedagogical skills needed to work with younger learners. This one-week PATHS seminar offers PhD students and postdocs interested in careers in independent schools an opportunity to develop some of the basic skills needed to bring their love of teaching to middle and high school students.

Participants will examine the theory behind different pedagogical techniques, but most of the seminar's work will be intensely practical. You will design lessons and units, do micro-teaching sessions, explore case studies in social and emotional learning, and workshop job materials. By the end of the course, participants will have a concrete understanding of this career path--and tools to pursue it.

## ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR

Brady Smith is Middle School English teacher at Park City Day School in Park City, Utah. He is fascinated by how students make learning meaningful and works to create learning experiences that let student skills and passions grow. Other interests include world literature, writing-based pedagogy, outdoor education, ungrading, and adventure cycling. Prior to PCDS, he taught upper grades humanities at Avenues: The World School in New York City. He earned a PhD in English from the University of Chicago in 2015.

## ABOUT THE COURSE

**OPEN TO ALL PHD  
STUDENTS AND  
POSTDOCS**

**JULY 26-30  
10-1 PM CST  
ONLINE VIA  
ZOOM**

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