How I got from anthropology to education

- Teach for America corps member
- 2-year teacher education program
- Mentor-teacher support

Anthropology in Elementary Education

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Why anthropology matters in the elementary classroom

- Cultural norms influence the way students learn
- Understanding different perspectives encourages tolerance and collaboration among the learning community



Native American Day Zuni Pueblo 2013

How I used anthropology on the Zuni Pueblo

- Included Zuni culture in all aspects of teaching (with support of a Zuni Language and Culture instructor)
- Introduced a global perspective
- Participated in community ceremonies and celebrations



Newton Rayzor Elementary 2018 Building criteria for assessments

How I use anthropology in an International Baccalaureate School

- Promote Global Perspectives
- Encourage Student Agency
- Give opportunities for student action
- Culturally responsive teaching