

# Blake A. Uchitjil

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## CAREER OBJECTIVE

Seeking a full time position as an agriculture teacher in a public school that will utilize my ability to develop student potential through agricultural education programs.

## EDUCATION

*Southern Illinois University-Carbondale (GPA 3.8 of 4.0):* **Aug. 2015 – May 2017**

- Bachelor of Science, Major: Agricultural Systems - Agricultural Education Specialization, Minor: Horticulture

*Kaskaskia College (GPA 3.9 of 4.0):* **Aug. 2013 – May 2015**

- Associates of Arts

*Odin High School (GPA 4.0 of 4.0):* **Aug. 2009 – May 2013**

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

*Student Teaching: Webber Township High School, Bluford Unit School District 318* **Spring 2017**

- Teach full course load of agriculture classes
- Courses include: Intro to Ag, Horticulture, BSAA, Ag Construction, and Ag Mechanics
- Attend multiple FFA events as a chaperone to young adults

*Clinical Experience: Webber Township High School* **Aug. 2016 – Present**

- Total of 84 hours spent in the high school classroom
- Planning, implementing and providing reflection of at least three lessons

*Clinical Experience: Harrisburg High School* **Jan. 2016 - May 2016**

- Total of 72 hours spent in the high school classroom
- Planned, implemented, and provided reflection of three natural resources lessons

*Clinical Experience: Vienna High School* **Aug. 2015 – Dec. 2015**

- Total of 72 hours spent in the high school classroom
- Planned, implemented, and provided reflection of three plant and soil science lessons

## WORK EXPERIENCE

*Work Experience in Horticulture (HORT 257): SIUC* **Sept. 2016 – Present**

- Working part time in the teaching greenhouses working for course credit
- Pruning, repotting, propagation, and maintenance of facilities, plants, and supplies.

*American Eagle Outfitters: Carbondale, IL* **Nov. 2015 – Present**

- Provide excellent customer service while maintaining adequate store appearance and inventory

*GAST (Growing Agricultural Science Teachers) Intern: SIUC* **Oct. 2015 – May 2016**

- Assist in organization and facilitation of Career Development Events at SIU
- Office duties include: emails, correspondence, and creating materials.

*Family Video: Salem and Carbondale, IL* **July 2014 – Oct. 2015**

- Responsible for: store appearance, drawer totals, customer accommodation, restocking, paperwork, and other responsibilities
- Closing and opening shift leader

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## ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, AND LEADERSHIP

- Marion County Farm Bureau Member
  - SIUC Collegiate Farm Bureau Member
  - SIUC Ag Education Club
    - Reporter
  - SIUC Collegiate FFA Member
  - Illinois Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers – Student Member
  - IAA Foundation Scholarship Recipient
  - Odin FFA Alumni Lifetime Member
  - Kaskaskia College Phi Theta Kappa
    - Vice President
  - Kaskaskia College Student Congress Member
  - Kaskaskia College Agriculture Club
    - PAS Delegate
  - Post-Secondary Agricultural Students
    - National Champion: Food Science
    - National Champion: Career Planning in Agricultural Education
    - National Champion Team: Quizbowl
    - State Champion: Vegetable Production Interview
  - Illinois FFA State Officer Candidate
  - State FFA Degree recipient
  - Section 21 FFA President
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## REFERENCES

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