LISETTE PARTELOW

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Self Employed, Washington, DC

Consultant July 2022-Present

- Policy research, writing, and editing; policy and political analysis and advising (excluding lobbying).
- Project management and nonprofit management problem solving.
- Coalition building and issue campaign design.

Office of the State Superintendent of Education, Washington, DC

Senior Advisor, K12 Systems and Supports

July 2021-July 2022

- In collaboration with the Deputy Assistant Superintendent, established and oversaw strategy, project management routines, quality assurance processes, and financial and implementation tracking for recovery funds, including ESSER, GEER, ARP-HCY, and ARP-IDEA.
- Cross-agency project management and coordination of annual reporting to the U.S. Department of Education (USED) for ESSER and GEER; provided quality assurance for other recovery fund reporting and additional USED reporting requests.
- Ensured cross-agency adherence to eligibility requirements, regulations, and guidance for recovery funds.

Center for American Progress, Washington, DC

Senior Director, Strategic Initiatives in K-12 Education

January 2017-June 2021

- Authored or co-authored more than 25 Center for American Progress publications, in addition to opeds and blog posts, on teacher pipeline policy, curriculum and instructional materials, and other topics.
- Conducted interviews with reporters, responded to requests from Congress, spoke on panels or at events, and made TV appearances.
- Organized an education policy "big table" coalition of over 100 progressive education policy organizations to coordinate response to Trump administration proposals.
- Managed a team and supervised the education policy team's work on teacher and human capital policy, including work with state legislators and advocates to advance their teacher quality policies.

Director, Teacher Policy

June 2015-December 2016

- Launched the "TeachStrong" campaign, an initiative to modernize and elevate the teaching profession. Worked with a coalition of over 60 education policy groups to develop shared consensus on a set of detailed policy papers and a national agenda for education policy after the 2016 election.
- Managed and oversaw the execution of state policy convenings for state and district leaders seeking to reform their teacher pipeline policies.
- Oversaw all aspects of the TeachStrong campaign, including a national launch event, locallyfocused events in 6 states, over 100 op-eds placed in local papers, recruitment of 100 teacher ambassador fellows, and quarterly convenings of members.

Senior Policy Analyst

October 2014-May 2015

- Wrote and co-authored Center for American Progress publications.
- Provided support to the vice president of education policy on grant proposals and special projects.

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Teach For America, Washington, DC

Teacher, 1st Grade

June 2012-July 2014

• Developed and implemented unit plans and lesson plans for all core subjects, including reading, writing, mathematics, social studies, and science.

• Used a reflective teaching approach, formative and summative data, and action research to continually improve instructional quality, student engagement, and student learning outcomes.

Office of Representative Dave Loebsack, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC

Senior Legislative Assistant

January 2010-May 2012

- Served as Congressman Loebsack's lead advisor for education, including for his work as a member of the Committee on Education and Workforce.
- Conceptualized, drafted, and introduced nine pieces of education-related legislation.
- Wrote speeches for public events. Took meetings with constituents. Managed legislative correspondents and interns in work related to issue areas.
- Managed a portfolio of other policy issues, including health, tax, and small business.

Alliance for Excellent Education, Washington, DC

Legislative Associate

June 2008-January 2010

- Wrote legislation, policy memoranda, legislative updates, and advocacy materials for House, Senate, White House, and Alliance staff.
- Managed a portfolio of legislation and issue areas, including middle schools, adolescent literacy, graduation rates, budget and appropriations, and 2009 ARRA legislation implementation.

Committee on Education and Labor, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC

Staff and Research Assistant

September 2006-September 2007

• Assisted staff in an administrative capacity in the preparation and passage of major higher education and early childhood legislation and the creation of a draft ESEA reauthorization bill.

American Institutes for Research, International Education Assessment Program, Washington, DC Research Assistant July 2003-August 2005

- Co-authored three reports published by U.S. Department of Education.
- Presented two papers at the American Education Research Association annual conference.

EDUCATION

George Mason University, Graduate School of Education, Fairfax, VA

Master of Elementary Education, May 2014

Princeton University, School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton, NJ

Master of Public Affairs, June 2008

Connecticut College, New London, CT

Bachelor of Arts, May 2003, summa cum laude