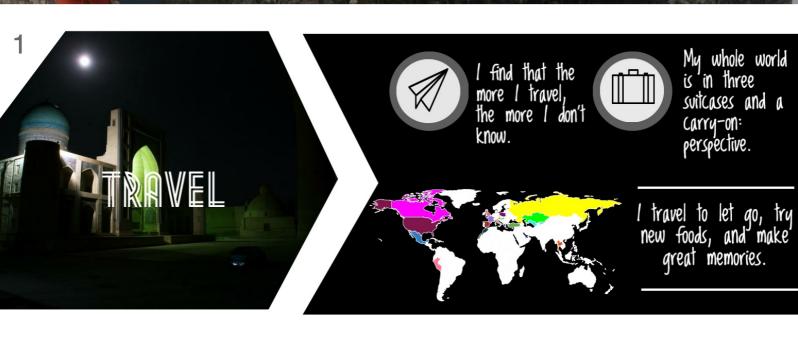
## ABOUT MS. LECROY

Learning and understanding; open to new ideas, cultures, and ideas; skills acquired through experiencing, reading, discovering, questioning, listening









My biggest fans are my parents and my sister. They continue to cheer me on for moving to crazy countries to teach. My father refused to let me be anything less than an independent woman, and my mother gave me the desire to never stop learning.



Chapter one of Why Teach? states it best in one of the opening paragraphs with, "[teachers] have a passion for teaching, a quality that [...] is palpable, vastly unappreciated and a valuable asset that money can't buy" (3). Using what I learn every day and being open to learn from my students and their cultures help me to succeed in educating them to the best of my ability. Interacting with students in and out of the classroom, talking with parents, discussing futures, goals, and even weaknesses all help them succeed in the real world (Iddings). This is a multimodal world— not simply in the classroom. It means that I need to differentiate, translate, read texts from all over the world, and understand that students and families are here to teach me, too.