



Crystal Simon Math Tutor & Entrepreneur



I created a math tutoring and enrichment business called Math Imagined.

How long have you been a math tutor?

I started my business after graduating college in spring 2020, but I've been tutoring math since I was sixteen.

Where do you currently work?

Math Imagined LLC, which is a tutoring and enrichment company that specializes in teaching math through visual and fun methods.

How do you spend most of your time at work?

- 1) Tutoring and preparing lessons for math classes I teach
- 2) Advertising, running social media pages, and building a website
- 3) Creating and revising business plans

Why did you choose this career?

I've always wanted to be my own boss and work for myself. It's incredibly rewarding when you see something you built pay off.

What did you do to prepare for this career?

The two main requirements were that I be really good at teaching math, and that I understand how to build a business. I majored in mathematics in college, and took as many business classes as I could on the side. I've also been tutoring math and studying various methods of doing so for years.



CRYSTAL'S FUN FACT

I love traveling. It really puts life in perspective when you step outside of your world and learn about someone else's.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I love how many different activities I do. There's nothing boring about running a business. It's also very rewarding to see my students discover how interesting and fun math is.

What do you find most challenging about your job?

Getting started. It's scary, not everyone will support you, and not everything will work. You just have to follow your intuition, do your research, and try your best.

What was one of your first jobs (e.g., as a teenager) and how did that experience influence your career path?

I tutored math to younger students starting when I was sixteen, and it helped me realize how much I enjoyed teaching.

What is one piece of advice you would give to a young person who is interested in your profession?

Learn everything you can about what you're selling and about running a business. The library and YouTube are your best friends.



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