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PROFILE

M.S. candidate in Conflict Analysis and Resolution aiming to enter a PhD program upon graduation. Four years of related experience in education, editorial and media production in the U.S. and around the world. Fluent Spanish, French, English; basic Arabic and active intent to achieve Arabic fluency.

EDUCATION

George Mason University, Arlington, VA

M.S., Conflict Analysis and Resolution, Expected May 2015

- Graduate Certificates Program Assistant, Fall 2013 - Present

Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA

B.A., Political Science, May 2009

GPA 3.78

- Magna Cum Laude
- Political Science Honors (Thesis: *Possibilities for an Emancipatory Political-Economy in Post-Cold War Nicaragua*)
- Peace & Conflict Studies Teaching Assistant to Leslie Dwyer, currently on S-CAR faculty
- American University in Cairo, Egypt, Fall 2007

EXPERIENCE

International School of Louisiana, Jefferson, LA

Teacher, July 2012 - July 2013

- Exceeded 100% of Student Learning Targets in inaugural year of program;
- Earned "Highly Effective Teacher" rating.

FirstLine Schools, New Orleans, LA

Teacher, January 2010 - June 2012

- Directed Foreign Language Department throughout the “turnaround” year at the lowest performing high school in Louisiana;
- Increased School Performance Score by 250% - the highest ever achieved in a single year;
- Earned grant to initiate live dialogue and art exchange between students in New Orleans & Guatemala;
- Facilitated project for which three students earned an international award.

NewBay Media, New York, NY

Writer/Reporter and Social Networking Strategist, 2010 - 2012

- Built publications’ social web presence; applied analytics data to set goals, implement strategies, and report impact of initiatives to Managing Editor;
- Wrote features, cover articles, technical documents and informational materials.

New Orleans Outreach, New Orleans, LA

Seamless Transitions Program Coordinator, 2010 - 2011

- Developed program vision, goals and operational standards in partnership with Program Director and submitted monthly progress reports to Program Director and leadership team;
- Coordinated with Program Director to schedule and organize meetings, trainings and seminars;
- Prepared and distributed editorial content to program partners online, in print and in person;
- Structured and implemented standards for institutional knowledge maintenance and accessibility.

The Soliya Network, New York, NY

Inaugural Fellow and Mediator, 2010 - 2011

- Collaborated with a global community of 25 young adults to develop a program for using new media & communication technologies promoting understanding and empathy between our societies;
- Presented content at the Terana Summit, hosted by Georgetown University and Al Jazeera in Doha, Qatar;
- Recruited candidates to sustain the continuing quality of the program.

The Soliya Network, New York, NY

Cross-Cultural Dialogue Facilitator & Coach, 2006 - 2010

- Co-facilitated semester-long dialogues via videoconference for U.S. and Middle Eastern students to produce collaborative media as part of their undergraduate course;
- Mentored new co-facilitators.

The Innocence Project, New Orleans, LA

Resurrection After Exoneration Intern, Spring 2010

- Streamlined PR strategy to promote community engagement in a grassroots initiative to support exonerees' reentry to society.

ProNica, Managua, Nicaragua

Intern, Summer 2008

- Launched international public relations campaigns related to education, consumer rights, and domestic violence, in collaboration with stakeholders.

Sister Cities of Tamale, Tamale, Ghana

Inaugural Intern, Summer 2006

- Initiated a project that sustains service learning opportunities in Ghana for U.S. undergraduates.

DISTINCTIONS

Partner Teacher Merit Award, Creative Connections International Art Exchange, May 2012, 2013.

Practitioner Teacher License, Louisiana State Department of Education, July 2012.

Center for Peace and Global Citizenship Grant, Haverford College, May 2008.

International Internships Grant, Bryn Mawr College, May 2006.

Advanced Facilitation Certificate, United Nations, April 2006.

Conflict Analysis Certificate, U.S. Institute of Peace, November 2005.