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Core Competencies

Writing/Editing; Value-Based Message Development; Research/Analysis; Public Speaking; Advocacy; Strategy

Professional Experience

- Points of Light Foundation & Volunteer Center National Network
Program Associate, Corporate Volunteer Development Washington, D.C.
Temp 3/06-Present
- Draft or edit high-level correspondence, newsletters, publications and other external communications
 - Engage in conference marketing and promotion for community volunteerism to address serious social problems
- American Civil Liberties Union
Assistant to the Director, Program on Freedom of Religion and Belief Washington, D.C.
Temp 1/06-2/06
- Developed bibliographies, researched debates, and provided scheduling, travel and other executive support
- FairVote: The Center for Voting and Democracy
Program Associate Takoma Park, Md.
Contract 10/05-1/06
- Conducted advocacy and outreach to policymakers and election-reform stakeholders
 - Researched and drafted legislation, fact sheets, op-eds, development reports and other advocacy materials
- Citizens for Global Solutions
Speechwriter/Writer Washington, D.C.
Fellowship 2/05-9/05
- Developed speeches for CEO/President, and op-eds, message framing, press releases and development pieces
 - Trained extensively in and achieved trainer certification from the Aspen Institute's Global Interdependence Initiative on value-based messaging and other well-researched and tested communications techniques
 - Represented the organization on the Treaty for the Rights of Women (CEDAW) ratification working group
 - Engaged in other advocacy-campaign strategy and implementation
- Michigan League for Human Services
Public Policy Intern Lansing, Mich.
1/03-4/04
- Advocated with legislators, work groups and task forces on legislation affecting vulnerable populations
 - Developed and analyzed surveys for the Emergency Service Providers Assessment Project
 - Analyzed low-income students' barriers to accessing and affording training and postsecondary education
 - Researched and drafted policy analyses, fact sheets and action plans regarding the working poor, workforce development, wage policies and welfare reform for the Workforce Measures Project and other initiatives
- Veterans' Affairs Medical Center
Social Work Intern, Psychiatry Clinic Ann Arbor, Mich.
9/02-1/03
- Enhanced interpersonal, crisis-management and teamwork skills working with an interdisciplinary medical team
 - Counseled groups and performed emergency intake, psychosocial assessments and case management
- University of Michigan, English Department
Writing Instructor, then full-time Lecturer Ann Arbor, Mich.
Contract 9/00-4/02
- Student won prestigious Hopwood Award with a portfolio developed in my course; he was then featured on NPR

Education

- Master of Social Work: Social Policy and Evaluation* University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 5/04
- Lederer Scholarship for Academic Achievement and Community Involvement
- Master of Fine Arts: Creative Writing (Poetry)* University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 5/01
- Jacob K. Javits Fellowship in Creative Writing
- Bachelor of Science: Astrophysics/Astronomy* Indiana University, Bloomington 5/99
- Minors in Mathematics, Physics and English
 - Phi Beta Kappa, Distinction and Departmental Honors

Publications & Readings

Selected for Library of Congress *Poetry at Noon Reading*, *Miami Herald*, *TomPaine.com*, *The Driftwood Review*, *Lifeboat*, *Poems & Plays*, *Pegasus*, *Los Pescadores*, *Labyrinth*, art event for peace at UM Union Art lounge, etc.