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KEY QUALIFICATIONS:

- **Masters of Arts: International Peace & Conflict Resolution** May 2020
American University: School of International Services, Washington D.C.
- **Peace Corps TEFL & Community Development Facilitator*** Sept. 2016-Dec. 2018
United States Peace Corps, Sambir, Lvivs'ka Oblast, Ukraine
 - *Qualify for **Noncompetitive Eligibility** for federal hire based on successful Peace Corps service.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ticket Office Supervisor Aug. 2019-May 2020

Katzen Arts Center, American University, Washington D.C.

- Coordinated 30 staff schedules & event operations to ensure effective operations of all events in a 130,000 square foot arts center
- Developed financial reports of ticket sales, designed promotional materials and employee handbook, address patron concerns, organized weekly summary reports for management

Peace Corps TEFL & Community Development Facilitator Sept. 2016-Dec. 2018

United States Peace Corps, Sambir, Lvivs'ka Oblast, Ukraine

- Facilitated interactive English classes & designed curriculums for over 200+ students (aged 8-16)
- Collaborated on multiple projects with Ukrainian colleagues & students as well as fellow Peace Corps Volunteers including teacher trainings, conferences, camp programming
- Implemented local youth trainings on public health in conjunction with *US PEPFAR* programming, & conflict resolution, gender equality, volunteerism/civic activism, and human rights/tolerance within 15 different Ukrainian school clubs
 - **Relevant Projects:** *Learning Language for Life* Educational USAID Grant, collaborated on a \$900 USAID community development grant to improve multiple English language classrooms & English materials, including budget monitoring/project implementation reporting & post-project evaluations

Events Manager Sept. 2015-May 2016

Katzen Arts Center, American University, Washington D.C.

- Provided assistance with event operations, customer service, & crowd control of events with 50-2,000+ patrons
- Assisted in coordinating scheduling, event load in/load out/set up with contract personnel including ushers, security guards, caterers, decorators, & supervised event support staff, managed loading dock

ESL Instructor Jan. 2015-July 2015

Instituto Santuario, Santuario, Risaralda Departamento, Colombia

- Assisted in English language instruction alongside rural Colombian Primary/Secondary Education teachers in three schools to encourage ESL skills & promote cross-cultural engagement for 400+ K-12 students
- Implemented weekly after-school programs in beginner conversational English with 30+ students (aged 11-18)

Hospital Transport Associate Sept. 2014-Jan. 2015

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, Advocate Aurora Health Care, Chicago, IL

- Assisted in assisting patients and hospital equipment using appropriate patient safety procedures
- Comforted patients and families by offering support and encouragement; being punctual and attentive to procedure schedules while demonstrating caring, courtesy, and cultural sensitivities

Private ESL Tutor Mar. 2014 - July 2014

Gospodarstwo Agroturyczne SASEK, Sasek Mały, Poland

- Individually developed and implemented individualized ESL lessons for 6 beginner to advanced ESL students, aged 6-45, to encourage English proficiency in writing, reading, and conversation skills
- Engaged in cross-cultural exchanges between Americans and Poles in rural areas through educational programming

EDUCATION

Master's International Masters of Arts: International Peace & Conflict Resolution

May 2020

American University: School of International Services, Washington D.C.

- **Relevant Projects:** *Master's International* two-year study program paralleled with a two-year community development volunteer experience with Peace Corps in rural Ukraine
 - *Global Symposium for Peaceful Nations*-Designed entire international 500+ participant conference including: budget, workshop/event structure, website design, fundraising campaign letters, donor lists; & presented project research to client *Institute of Economics and Peace* CEO & Board of Trustees in consultancy professional development project

B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies: International Development; Cum Laude

Aug. 2013

Wheaton College, Wheaton IL, USA

- **Relevant Project:** *Building the Story Together: Pursuing Reconciliation for Peace in Post-Conflict, Multi-Ethnic Societies*, interdisciplinary thesis conceptualizing praxis methods for inter-ethnic conflict transformation through interpersonal narrative techniques and dialogue

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- SPANISH (Intermediate Conversational Competency), *Tool of Research Spanish Language Exam*, tested 2015), lived in rural Colombia & utilized conversational Spanish.
- UKRAINIAN (Intermediate Conversational Competency), Peace Corps assessment, tested 2018, intensive 10-week intensive language program & lived in rural Ukraine and utilized conversational Ukrainian.
- Considerable project collaboration experience: project design & evaluation, seminars and conference planning, camps, & grant design/implementation
- Exceptional verbal/written communication skills: comfort within cross-cultural & public presentation contexts
- Extensive customer service experience, familiarity balancing multiple projects in fast-paced environments
- Thorough experience in quantitative data entry/analysis, including STATA 16, & mixed qualitative data methods
- Experienced in traditional office management tools *Microsoft/Office*, graphic design of promotional materials, & extensive experience teleworking on projects through *Zoom/Skype*
- Comfortable with Exceedingly flexible on locale, able to physically relocate

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

Race and Ethnicity Dialogue Participant

Sept. 2019-Jan 2020

Center for Inclusion and Diversity, American University, Washington D.C.

- Participated in dialogue skills training focused on active listening, group facilitation, & sensitivity training
- Discussed with peers about challenges and experiences of multicultural students, identity formation, and racial power dynamics in the US

Graduate Student Council Senator

Sept. 2015-May 2016

Graduate Student Council, School of International Services, Washington D. C.

- Partnered with 10 other student Senators and 5 Executive board members to build a stronger student community, alumni network, & connections with administration
- Collaborated with peers to develop school-wide events, event organization, publicity and marketing

Student Health Care Representative

Sept. 2012-May 2013

Wheaton College Student Government, Wheaton, IL

- Coordinated with different college health departments to develop health education and stress management programs
- Assisted in planning and execution of various on-campus events supporting student mental health welfare

Community Visionary/Developer

Oct. 2011-May 2013

Wheaton College Student Government, Wheaton, IL

- Developed, implemented, & led the first of its kind LGBTQ+ support group at conservative Christian college
- Collaborated with university administration to draft an official university policy and create a nurturing community group for at-risk minority students, lead discussions about student safety, wellbeing, and overall mental health