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EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Political Science
University of Toronto, Toronto ON

08/2021-08/2022

- Cumulative GPA: 3.83
- Highlighted courses: Thinking Through Research Design, Methods in Political Research
- Conducted phone interviews and in person focus groups for thesis
- Presented findings to large classroom and gathered feedback

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Multimedia Journalism
Loyola University of Chicago, Chicago IL

08/2017-12/2020

- Cumulative GPA: 3.6
- Highlighted courses: Journalistic Research Methods, Reporting Basics, Policy Analysis

EXPERIENCE

Public Affairs Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota

11/2022-Present

- Developed and maintained a bill tracking system to follow state legislation
- Researched and assisted in evaluation of finance and economic reports and budgets
- Assisted in the development of department publications (yearly legislative session summary, Blue Cross Views, and Highlights)
- Researched and prepared timely responses to internal and external written correspondence
- Kept up to date on legislation in the Minnesota House, Senate, and other states issues

Policy Strategist, Engage, Remote

03/2022-Present

- Conducted research, proposed recommendations and collaborated with outreach
- Helped organize and facilitate coalition and other meetings between youth activists and government
- Prepared organizing materials, issue updates, action alerts, and media materials needed to implement issue campaigns in coordination with our Outreach Specialist
- Promoted civic engagement in campaigns by developing relationships with and motivating youth activists to contact decision makers, vote, participate in civic events, and contact local media

Communications Assistant, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

09/2021-09-2022

- Wrote and edited stories, profiles, and announcements on the university's climate goals
- Helped proofread and publish a monthly sustainability newsletter
- Developed event posters, flyers, and other promotional materials both in print and digitally
- Gathered and maintained accurate and detailed information about contacts and stakeholders
- Drafted communications, including briefing materials, emails, and memorandums
- Maintained relationships and communications with internal and external partners
- Managed daily information needs and communication requests

Compliance Analyst, G7 Research Group, Toronto, ON **10/2021-05/2022**

- Developed methods for evaluating the benefits of Italy's investments in Africa
- Evaluated the impact of Italy's investments on sustainable growth and health policy in Africa
- Evaluated Italy's compliance with promises made at the 2021 G7 Cornwall Summit

Public Affairs Intern, Progressive Policy Institute, Washington, D.C. **05/2021-08/2021**

- Drafted summaries and reports for PPI's website
- Analyzed and recommended PPI's position on relevant legislative proposals
- Compiled statistics for editorial and web materials on various public policy issues

Legislative Assistant, MN House Research Department, St. Paul M.N **12/2020-05/2021**

- Monitored legislation during the legislative session.
- Edited bill summaries with the purpose of advancing state policy issues.
- Summarized regulatory publications and monitored policy developments.
- Developed a holistic understanding of the legislative process.

SKILLS

- Asana
- Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Dynamics 365
- Constant Contact
- Adobe Suite
- Mailchimp
- Excellent written, verbal, and interpersonal communication skills
- Strong attention to detail; able to meet deadlines
- Strong prioritization and time management skills