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Education

SILBERMAN SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, NY, NY 09/2014-05/2016
Master's of Social Work, Specializing in Community Organizing, Honors

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, Ithaca, NY 09/2005-05/2009
Bachelor of Science, Human Development, Minor in Inequality Studies, GPA 3.95

SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, Cape Town, South Africa 02/2008-06/2008
Study Abroad Program, Multiculturalism and Social Change

Experience

SEEK PROGRAM AT JOHN JAY COLLEGE, NY, NY 08/2016-Present
Teaching Adjunct and Academic Advisor

- Instruct class of 25-30 Freshman, SEEK students on issues of education, inequity, and justice
- Develop engaging, interactive class activities and projects to simulate rich class discussions
- Serve as academic advisor for students, guiding through class selection, college resources, and personal matters

Academic Advising and Counseling Intern 09/2015-05/2016

- Designed curriculum and facilitated support groups for 50 students on academic probation
- Conducted program evaluations, developing surveys and compiling data/statistics to better support students
- Developed and led workshops on the history of racism in the United States for over 100 Freshman students
- Chaired committee of Freshman students, providing guidance and support in the planning of large Sophomore event

1199 SEIU, YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM, BRONX, NY 06/2015-08/2015; 06/2016-08-2016

Site Supervisor/Youth Mentor

- Monitored and supported 20 high school students, on-site during employment experience at Nursing Home
- Instructed professional development classes, covering topics such as resume/cover letter writing and interview skills

UNION SETTLEMENT NORC AT FRANKLIN PLAZA, NY, NY 09/2014-05/2015

Community Organizing Intern

- Coordinated volunteer program, recruiting and supervising volunteers who provide services to NORC participants
- Ran a weekly group among senior residents aimed to build relationships among residents and staff

FRESH AIR FUND, CAREER AWARENESS PROGRAM, NY, NY

Tutoring and High School Placement Coordinator 09/2010-08/2014

- Oversaw 90 tutors, ensuring the proper guidance and academic support for 90 students
- Communicated with over 100 New York City High Schools, guiding 150 students towards top high schools
- Oversaw the proper social and academic development of 300 program participants during the academic year

Career Awareness Program Assistant 09/2009-06/2010

- Managed 10 Agency representatives to secure proper registration of over 150 children for academic summer camp
- Communicated with parents of 300 children to ensure fulfillment of intensive program requirements

CAREER AWARENESS PROGRAM (CAMP MARIAH), Fishkill, NY

Director 06/2013-08/2013

- Hired and supervised 60 camp staff, including general counselors, instructors, and administrative staff
- Developed and presided over comprehensive staff training specific to safety and enhancement of camper population
- Oversaw daily operation of camp, including programming, food service, health/safety, and camper/staff wellbeing

Assistant Director 06/2010-08/2010, 06/2011-08/2011, 06-2013-08/2012

- Supervised administrative staff, ensuring proper guidance and advice given to 60 camp counselors and instructors
- Assessed daily development of 150 campers through conversations, counselor communication, and observations

Community Involvement/Volunteer Experience

STUDENT POWER COALITION AT SILBERMAN, NY 01/2015-05/2016

Leadership Team

- Organized with students to bring an anti-racist focus to the MSW curriculum, faculty development, and dialogues
- Designed workshop and facilitated discussions on racism in Social Work and how to fight injustice in the profession

GOOD SHEPHERD SERVICES, NY 11/2011-Present

Mentor

- Provide support, guidance, and positive examples to mentee while encouraging academic and vocational goals

AMERICAN CAMPER'S ASSOCIATION

03/2013, 03/2014, 03/2015

Undoing Racism Workshop Speaker

- Created and led workshop about the effects of racism on youth and how to empower youth to be change agents