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Personal Information

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Education and Training

Doctoral Student in Peace Studies and Political Science

Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame, *Notre Dame, IN, USA*
August 2022 - Present

- Kellogg Institute doctoral student affiliate (October 2022 – Present)
- Kroc Institute John Darby Fellow (2023 – 2024)
- Lucy Institute Fellow (2023 – Present)

Master of Arts in Development Management and Public Policy

Georgetown University and Universidad Nacional de San Martín, *Buenos Aires, Argentina*

September 2014 – April 2019; 42 Quarter Credits earned

Thesis Title: “Municipal Transparency Reform: The Case of *Poder Ciudadano*’s Zero Discretion Accord Program (2003-2006)”

Bachelor of Arts in English

Reed College, *Portland, OR, USA*

August 2007 – May 2012; 122 Semester Credits earned

Thesis Title: “Accounting for the Mass Appeal of Edgar Allan Poe”

Work Experience

Research Associate

Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame, *Notre Dame, IN, USA*
November 2019 – August 2022; 40 hours per week

- Analyzed implementation of the 2016 Colombian Peace Accord as carried out by public sector entities and FARC ex-combatants
- Constructed reports for signatories of the Accord with original quantitative analysis and qualitative evidence

Technical Analyst

Secretaría de Gobierno de Modernización de la Nación, *Buenos Aires, Argentina*

August 2016 – October 2019; 40 hours per week

- Analyzed organization and human resource productivity in federal public sector entities
- Conducted personal interviews with public sector directors
- Created and presented internal reports using Microsoft Office principally

Content Writer and Editor

MaxScholar (e-learning software), *Buenos Aires, Argentina*

January 2015 – August 2016; 40 hours per week

- Produced creative English content for young learners, following Common Core and other state education standards
- Developed communication and back-end coding skills

Primary School English Teacher

Colegio Bayard, *Buenos Aires, Argentina*

March 2013 – May 2014; 20 hours per week

- Supervised, organized, and taught children from ages 5 to 12
- Planned English classes on topics of grammar and culture
- Attended teaching workshops for incorporating new technology

Volunteer Experience

Investigator and Analyst

Poder Ciudadano, *Buenos Aires, Argentina*

April 2016 – August 2016; 20 hours per week

- Researched different policies and strategies for transparent government and citizen participation
- Organized events and represented the organization in different capacities

Researcher and Investigator

Health Care for the Homeless, *Maryland, USA*

May 2009 – August 2010; 40 hours per week

- Researched resources offered to the local homeless population
- Traveled to various service centers and conducted interviews with homeless persons and social service administrators
- Designed and conducted two surveys on access to welfare services, offering solutions to legislators and the general public

Tutor

Refugee Youth Project, *Maryland, USA*

July 2009 – August 2010; 20 hours per week

- Provided after-school tutoring in math, history, and English to refugee children (4-16 years of age) from Nepal, Somalia, Sudan, and elsewhere

Additional Skills and Experience

Languages

Spanish (Fluent), Portuguese (Basic), French (Basic)

Travel

Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Haiti, Scotland, Istanbul

Interests

Philosophy, Wildlife, Exercise, Music, Art

Skills

Stata and R, Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint, Editing, Teaching

References

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