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Education

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY | GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES | NEW YORK, NY | MAY 2023

Master of Arts, Museum Studies

Involvement: Museums Studies Student Organization, Social Committee

Relevant Courses: Museums & Contemporary Art, Collections & Exhibitions, History & Theory of Museums

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY (AU) | SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS (SPA) | WASHINGTON, DC | MAY 2021

Bachelor of Arts, Interdisciplinary Studies: Communications, Law, Economics, & Government (CLEG) and Minor in Art History

Honors: Cumulative GPA: 3.88, Dean's List (Fall 2018 – Spring 2021), SPA Leadership Program, AU Scholars Program, Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society, Presidential Scholarship Recipient

Relevant Courses and Projects:

- American Art: Civil War – Civil Rights: Curated a 12-work exhibition proposal on self-taught artists Howard Finster, Sister Gertrude Morgan, and Purvis Young discussing Christianity in self-taught art
- Approaches to Art History: Worked with a team of 2 others to collect 5 critical interpretations of Picasso's "Les Femmes d'Alger", culminating in a formal analysis and 40-minute presentation

Work Experience

SUMMER COLLEGE WORKSHOP | SOLOMON R. GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM | JUNE 2021 – AUGUST 2021

- 10-week program engaging with scholarship and art through seminars with 14 cohort members
- Conducted an individual project centered around biases in media and history, to be published in an online text
- Built relationships with fellow cohort members, museum staff, and artists

ADVANCEMENT AUCTION COORDINATOR | THE BRIGHT SCHOOL | JUNE 2021 – AUGUST 2021

- Generated \$48,000+ in annual auction on team of 4 for auction to support financial aid and scholarships
- Communicated with 250+ local, national, and global businesses to coordinate donations
- Held position each summer for the past 3 years (beginning 2018)

ASSOCIATE PODCAST PRODUCER AND INTERVIEWER | THE CREATIVE PROCESS | JANUARY–MAY 2021

- Collaborated with Founder & Artist Mia Funk on interviews concerning curation, art history, and sustainability
- Used Descript and Garage Band software to edit audio and add transitions and creative dialogue interludes
- Finalized and promoted podcast episodes with EMST Athens, Benaki Museum, and Musée Picasso that receive over 4,500 active daily plays

EDUCATION INTERN | HEURICH HOUSE MUSEUM | JANUARY–MAY 2021

- Conducted archival research concerning the history of the Heurich family's household staff
- Created educational content for future exhibits and events and to engage visitors on social media
- Developed the director's succession plan and document retention plan

Extracurricular Activities

SENIOR COUNSELOR | AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY VOLUNTEER GIRLS STATE | JUNE 2021

- Educated 600 rising senior girls from around Tennessee on the importance of active local and state citizenship
- Led group of 20 students with 4 counselors in programs to learn about state and city government hands on
- Invited to return after delegate year (2017) and served as a counselor each following year (2018 – 2020)

TUTOR | DC READS – AMERICAN UNIVERSITY | SEPTEMBER 2020 – MAY 2021

- Developed literacy skills of students aged kindergarten-second grade who are reading below grade level
- Participated in AmeriCorps Reading Partners program online 4 hours weekly, (in person Sept. 2018-May 2019)