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Education History

Bachelor's Degree, Major: Psychology, Minor: Entrepreneurship and Innovation (*hands-on, applied program for taking ideas and turning them into reality*), Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, September 2019 - Spring 2021. (GPA: 3.75)

Post Baccalaureate Degree, Major: Communication Sciences and Disorders, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, September 2023 - Summer 2024 (current).

Lab: Research in Prejudice, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, September 2020 - Spring 2021. *Focused research on prejudice identification and reduction in various subject areas (ex. Race, gender, sexuality, etc.).*

Lab: Research in Communication Sciences, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, June 2023 - Current. *Focused research on kids with speech delays. Focused coding work and transcription for data collection.*

International Community/Volunteer Experience

Educational Teacher for a Special Ed. Class, Cochabamba, Bolivia, July 2019 - August 2019.

- I worked at a small urban school with kindergarten students with disabilities. I worked with the teachers to increase the student's knowledge of personal space + the alphabet + we used techniques such as learning a song or drawing pictures, helped the students prepare for their talent show, and worked there for a month.
- Daily work with the students in the kindergarten class including planning student activities and assisting on pre-planned lessons.
- Assisted multiple teachers at the school with general tasks including directing the student winter talent show
- Lived with a host family; My first global trip being the only adult while accompanied by an American minor on their first trip out of the country. (Age 18)

Community Immersion, Costa Rica, Summer of 2018 for two weeks.

- Deep dive experience into the Costa Rican rural community for two weeks with a group of students also in high school. Every day we had Spanish classes, dinner with our host families, and attended local events. We also explored the local coffee farms to gain an understanding for local business, took time to participate in family gatherings, and explored the natural land/environments in Costa Rica.
- Lived with my host family. (Age 17)

English Teacher, Thailand, June 29th - July 5th, 2016, 22 hours of immersive community service.

- Taught children at a rural middle school & rural elementary school (two different learning levels), planned/delivered day-to-day English language lessons and fun educational games.
- Developed class agendas and student activities to promote student learning.
- Helped construct a physical playground by removing large buckets of dirt/rocks from below the school (which was later turned into a new bottom floor) and mixing concrete used as the base of the new playground.
- Lived in a group setting. (Age 15)

Work Experience

Autism Learning Partners, Bellingham, WA, August 2021 - December 2022

- Certified Behavior Technician and Field Trainer
- Work directly in the client's home, help teach life skills and independence through ABA therapy, and teach parents the needed skills to ensure their children's success and independence
- Daily sessions with each child for the best care, creative games made specifically to the child's motivations and preferences, and BT must demonstrate patience, flexibility, and honesty
- Teach new hire CBTs how to pair, run programs, and communicate with the family and supervisor. Daily practice of organizational skills, compassion, and communication.

Maxim Healthcare, Bellingham, WA, January 2023 - Current

- Certified Behavior Technician
- Work directly with kids in school settings. Provide support to teachers and other staff.

Local Community Involvement

Bellingham Community Meal, Web Designer & Social Media Marketing, Bellingham, WA, January 2020 - March 2021.

- Redesigned the non-profit's website to fit a modern-day style and ease of access to their target market ([LINK](#))
- Help initiate the creation of the non-profit's first-ever logo (after 37 years of operating)
- Event coordination, general social media assistance, and marketing
- Fundraised for the non-profit, all the items went to the attendants of the meal and the money went into food purchasing for the next month's meal; had local companies donate goods or money, hotels made donations of travel size bathroom utilities, raised over \$650.00

Sherwood Music Festival, Bellingham, WA, September 2020 - June 12th, 2021. My team and I organized a COVID-safe music festival for local musicians to practice live on stage, local artists to sell their work, and to develop an inclusive environment for creativity and excitement throughout our community.

Whatcom Million Trees Project, Bellingham, WA, 2021 - 2022. I worked on and off with this local non-profit as a photographer. This helps them to promote their amazing contributions to our nature/city. I've been a big help in advertising to new volunteers and spreading the word to our community.

SLP Shadowing, Bellingham, WA, June - August, 2023. I spent the summer shadowing two SLPs. One who works with seniors in the medical field and the other who works with 0- to 3-year-olds in the coaching field. (Hours: 20)