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EDUCATION

Masters of Arts, Anthropology Current GPA 3.66
University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho

Bachelor of Science, Double Major in Anthropology and Sociology May 2020
University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho GPA 3.29

Applicable Courses:

Peoples of the World
Belief Systems
Introduction to Anthropology
World Prehistory
Diversity & Stratification
Statistical Methods
Social & Political Organization
Sociology of Gender
Pop Culture & Consumerism
Racial/Ethnic Relations
Capstone: Sociology in Action
Food, Culture, and Society
Qualitative Social Science Methods
World Regional Geography
Facing Race: Reality & Illusion
Introduction to Sociology
Physical Anthropology
Social Change & Globalization
Language and Culture
Development of Social Theory
Study of Language
Anthropology History/Theory
Power, Politics and Society
Studies in American Culture
American National Government

Honors and Awards:

Dean's List Spring 2018; Fall 2019; Spring 2020

PROJECTS

Master Thesis: 08/2020-Present

- Focuses on the food systems and institution of education; the role that schools play in feeding students
- Conducting interviews with the lunch and cafeteria staff of a school in a rural community
- Conducting non-participant observation regarding the environment and analyzing the relationship between staff and student

Undergraduate Capstone Research Project: 08/2019-12/2010

"Food Deserts and Food Insecurity in Rural Communities in Northern Idaho"

- Developed qualitative research questions and methodologies
- Examined preexisting literature regarding food deserts and food insecurity in Northern Idaho

- Conducted interviews with individuals from Northern Idaho and discussing their personal experiences in a food insecure area
- Exercising independent judgment I transcribed, analyzed and found themes and summarized these finding in the research

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teachers Assistant, UI College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences 01/2021-Present

- Attending classes, assisting and monitoring in-class and online discussion; recording lectures and uploading them in a timely manner onto university approved platform
- Providing technical support with BBlearn and Zoom links, meetings and breakout groups
- Grading examinations
- Conducting lectures and providing overall support to both Professors and students

Research Assistant, Portland State University 12/2019-Present

- Conducted discourse analysis utilizing independent judgement on regional media in the greater northern Idaho area, looking at the social and political climate of rural communities regarding LGBTQ people
- Interviewed participants in rural north Idaho learning about their experiences and existence in small rural towns while being a member of the LGBTQ+

Research Assistant, Dept. of Sociology & Anthropology - Moscow, ID 03/2020-04/2020

- Assisted Professors and faculty in managing large quantitative data set for climate change project
- Proofreading reports and articles, identifying and correcting errors
- Organized tables and charts based on data in Excel and Google Maps
- Identified and corrected survey misinformation, correcting false coordinates within the data
- Experience utilizing independent judgment while coding qualitative survey responses
- Analyzed and coded Qualitative data, transcribing interviews using ExpressScribe

Intern, Sustainability Center - Moscow, ID 01/2020-05/2020

- Worked with the non-profit Newby-Ginnings who partnered with the state-wide initiative Mission43 for Veteran Donation Drive according to university policy
- Gained project management and communication skills

Tutor, America Reads/Adventure Club - Moscow, ID 09/2017-11/2017

- Worked for Center on Disabilities & Human Development
- Keeping updated daily attendance logs of all the children to ensure safety, conflict resolution in the most child appropriate way

- Established level of trust between child, parent and tutor, keeping parents updated on the child's educational progress, providing aid to child with any level of education and speciality in addition to behavioral situations, if arose

Project Assistant, REACCH - Moscow, ID 09/2016-05/2017

- Assisted for project manager of $20 million Regional Approaches to Climate Change (REACCH) project funded by the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture, within the Dept. of Plant, Soil & Entomological Sciences focusing on Wheat farming in the Pacific Northwest Agriculture and Climate Science in the Inland Pacific Northwest
- Maintained clear and accurate financial records and charges
- Created and organized Excel spread sheet of all K-5 and Middle schools in the Pacific Northwest (WA, OR, ID) for education material distribution
- Packaged, assigned and mailed fourth through sixth grade educational resources and curriculum, "Wheat Farming and Climate Science in the Inland Pacific Northwest"

WORK EXPERIENCE

Sales Associate, Vandal Store - Moscow, ID 06/2019-3/2020

- Provided quality customer service to students, faculty, staff and visitors in-person, via phone or email
- Assisted students and faculty regarding financial aid transactions and scholarship funds through electronic recording systems, according to UI policy and procedure
- Maintained timely and accurate financial records and charges according to university policy, identifying and correcting any problems regarding financial transactions
- Experience handling registers and cash handling
- Worked with customers from diverse backgrounds and assisted everyone to the best ability
- Analyzed information through electronic data bases and software
- Cross-trained to assist textbook staff, evaluating information, records, and reports according to UI policies and procedures
- Supporting other workplace areas and staff when necessary and participated in training sessions

Front Desk Clerk, Motel 6 - Moscow, ID 03/2018 - 03/2019

- Provided quality customer service to visitors
- Maintained timely and accurate financial records and charges according to company policy and identifying and correcting any financial discrepancy
- Experience handling registers and cash handling
- Assisted guests from diverse cultures and backgrounds
- Navigated online filing systems, analyzing information through electronic data bases and software such as Excel, Numbers and HotelKey

- Operated office resources and equipment including copiers, printers, computers and computer software
- Conduct online/telephone and in-person conversations resolving any problems and providing clarification regarding any financial transactions and company policies
- Maintain a professional workspace area and assisted other workplace areas when necessary
- Ensured guest satisfaction with every reservation, confirming records through hard copy and electronic filing clearly stating important information required for management

ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Volunteer at the Lithics Lab, UI, Moscow, ID 02/2020

- Learned the Percussion method and to create prehistoric tools from Obsidian

Sustainability Representative/Intern, UI, Moscow, ID 01/2020-05/2020

- Built leadership skills in sustainable practices and education
- Increased my knowledge on sustainability from individual choices, to societal, and global levels
- Apply new knowledge to campus and community

Anthropology Club, UI, Moscow, ID 12/2019-05/2020

- Focused on campus engagement with an emphasis on mentorship and teamwork

SKILLS & TRAININGS

Computer

- Banner, Excel, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Powerpoint, Microsoft Outlook, Apple Pages; Numbers; Keynote, Zoom, Trello, Zotero, ExpressScribe

Responding to Disclosures of Sexual Assault Training (TITLE IV)

- UI, Moscow, ID 12/2019

Professionalism in the Workplace

- UI, Moscow, ID 02/2020

Professional Communication

- UI, Moscow, ID 02/2020

REFERENCES

Dr. Kristin Haltinner - Research Lead (920) 809-5950
Brian Carver - VandalStore Manager (252) 305-9700
Terry Duncan - VandalStore Manager (508) 994-0269
Sonal Sisodiya - Motel 6 Manager (208) 882-5511