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EDUCATION

St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

BA, Environmental Studies, Sociology/Anthropology

Concentration, International Relations

Related Coursework: Environmental Policy, Intermediate Macro Theory, Social Science Research: Quantitative Methods

Anticipated Graduation Date May 2022

Cumulative GPA: 3.62/4.00

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Co-Researcher, Social Science Research, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

September 2020 – November 2020

- Conducted client-based research on racial and ethnic equity and inclusion at St. Olaf
- Facilitated 3 focus groups and developed a survey that identified the frequency and impacts of microaggressions in St. Olaf classroom settings
- Reported results and specific recommendations to client through a 20-page final paper and poster presentation

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Executive Member, Taylor Center for Equity and Inclusion, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

May 2019 – Present

- Hosted regular meetings with 15+ student leaders on campus to help improve their overall leadership strategies
- Collaborated with other student organizations to implement integrated events that promote inclusivity across campus
- Established programming strategies that best support the development and growth of student organizations

Executive Committee Member, Hostile Terrain 94, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

February 2019 – Present

- Attended bi-weekly committee meetings to conceptualize the installment of the art exhibition of raising awareness for migrant death at the US/Mexico border
- Developed supplemental programming that increased public visibility of the core objectives of the exhibition, in collaboration with academic and student life departments on campus
- Collaborated with student organizations to create events that foster a meaningful conversation about migrant lives

Co-Chair, SOMOS, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

March 2018 – Present

- Coordinated weekly meeting and event logistics effectively to enhance member experience in the organization and encourage active participation
- Delegated event responsibilities to each member of the executive team to ensure time was used efficiently
- Served as a liaison between SOMOS and other student organizations to effectively establish plans for event and project collaboration
- Evaluated performance of executive team members each semester and ensured organizational goals were being met through critical feedback procedures.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Residence Life Junior Counselor, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

September 2019- May 2020

- Facilitated the transition of 29 first-years to campus and served as a resource in their acclimation
- Planned and executed a series of welcome programs that fostered a sense of community in the residence hall
- Reported resident experiences to the Area Coordinator through emails, weekly reports, and meetings that informed further social and academic development activities for residents

Phone Operator, Christmas Fest, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

October 2018, October 2019

- Processed 100+ orders for pre-sale Christmas Fest tickets by phone in a fast-paced environment
- Mediated customer complaints by listening to concerns and communicating with supervisors to find an effective resolution for each issue
- Corresponded with customers via emails and voice messages to fulfill order requests and address questions in a timely manner