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EDUCATION

Northeastern University 2019 - 2023
B.A. in Human Services and International Affairs,
minors in Global Health & Health Science

GPA: 3.91, Summa Cum Laude

Honors

- Dean's List 2020 - 2023
- 2022 Effective Altruism Fellowship
- NEU Honors Program

Relevant Coursework

- Nonprofit Sector & Philanthropy
- Forced Migration
- International Research Methods
- Global Health
- Public Health Administration and Policy

Student Leadership

- Civic Action Leadership Program student facilitator
- College of Social Sciences and Humanities mentor
- Honor's Seminar: Global Health teacher's assistant

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Boston Health Initiative

Curriculum Developer

- Designed 10+ chapter meetings with topics including Health Advocacy Strategies, Health Reparations, and Harm Reduction Principles
- Created trainings tailored to the needs of after-school programs and community development centers including Peer-to-Peer Emotional Support Strategies and Trauma-Informed Care

Center for Applied NonViolent Action Strategies

Research Intern

- Interviewed activists from 10+ countries to gain unique insights into revolution strategies and the democratization process
- Investigated patterns of political transition following regime collapse, specifically how health systems are rebuilt, and wrote case studies for literature review

WORK EXPERIENCE

RIZE Massachusetts

Research Assistant 01/23 - 06/23

- Facilitated focus groups and administered program surveys
- Analyzed year-over-year data for recurring themes and areas for harm reduction training improvement
- Presented findings at 2023 Research and Creative Endeavor, Innovation, Scholarship, and Entrepreneurship Expo

Social Impact Lab

Administrative Assistant 09/22 - 06/23

- Supervised logistics management, coordinated event volunteers, and conducted partnership outreach for the week-long speaker series "From Boston to Beirut: Reimagining the Work of Social Change in the Middle East"
- Evaluated the current state of the nonprofit sector to inform lab strategies and support course development
- Directed campus-wide outreach for the Millennium Fellowship to ensure proper representation of Northeastern University

International Institute of New England

Refugee Resettlement Coordinator 06/22 - 06/23

- Managed the daily concerns and aid services for 20+ refugee families primarily from Afghanistan and Central America
- Conducted intakes and formulated care plans for new clients
- Secured benefits from local government agencies including social security, cash assistance, food stamps, fuel assistance, and affordable housing for 100+ clients
- Documented case notes and service records for 30+ clients to guarantee proper protocol adherence

Dewey Square Group

Public Affairs Intern 07/21 - 04/22

- Engaged over 200 Boston community members through in-person canvassing, phone banking, and text banking to save Boston's waterfront, surpassing initial goals by 50%
- Communicated with 1000+ app drivers to encourage grassroots action for better working conditions and benefits
- Mobilized key supporters for additional issues including voter engagement and expanded healthcare access
- Composed daily news updates for 3 to 7 clients on critical legislative and public developments