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Overview

I have had the opportunity to work in a variety of challenging and interesting professional settings and to play collegiate soccer. These experiences have helped me develop a strong work ethic, learn how to contribute to a team, adapt to diverse work environments, and cultivate my passion for scientific research. I seek to continue developing my skills as an effective communicator and researcher before eventually pursuing graduate studies.

Education

Carleton College- Northfield, Minnesota

Fall 2013-Spring 2017

Graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a Concentration in Cognitive Science.

Universidad Veritas- San Jose, Costa Rica

12-Week Winter Term 2015

Medical Spanish program offered through a local university.

Work Experience

Primate Research Laboratory Assistant at Carleton College- Northfield, MN

September 2014-June 2017

- Participated in regularly scheduled maintenance duties such as delivering meals and cleaning the monkey enclosures.
- Conducted behavioral research with living monkeys, the results of which hold pertinence to what makes human cognitive capacity unique.
- Served as an assistant in Alzheimer's research through Nissl staining of deceased monkey brains to look for Beta Amyloid Plaque buildup.

Carleton College Psychology Department Research Assistant- Northfield, MN

June-September 2016

- Helped guide a research project from inception and IRB submission through data collection and analysis. I am co-author on the resulting manuscript which has been submitted for publication in the psychological journal, *Acta Psychologica*.
- Developed proficiency with data analysis techniques using Excel, SPSS, and R.
- Used Qualtrics to create an online experimental component and Amazon's Mechanical Turk to recruit participants.

Gallatin County Mental Health Center Intern- Bozeman, MT

June-August 2015

- Vocational specialist role included assisting recovering mental health patients search and apply for jobs.
- Community job development consisted of meeting with employers and managers and advocating on behalf of clients.
- Created and facilitated a series of five job readiness workshops for mental health patients with topics such as resume building, workplace etiquette, and basic computer skills.
- Proposed and received funding for weekly disc golf outings, which served as a means of outdoor recreation and therapy for mental health patients.

Crocker Law Firm Injury Attorneys PLLC Aide- Bowling Green, KY

October 2012-May 2013

- Organized case and client files and maintained an updated online database of the files for the law firm.
- Delivered mail and confidential documents to clients, attorneys, and the courthouse for notarization.
- Transported large bank deposits.

Sensora Corporation Research Assistant- Bowling Green, KY

June-July 2012

- Wrote computer programs using BASIC language to code for a Pressure Modulated Photoionization Detector, an instrument used to detect parts per million of trace gases in the atmosphere.
- Soldered programming boards for a three-part medical hand washing station to be used in hospitals to promote health care professional's hand washing practices before and after contact with patients.

Volunteer Experience

TOPS Soccer Program Volunteer- Bowling Green, KY and Northfield, MN

Fall 2008-June 2017

- Assisting children and young adults with cognitive impairments in developing skills and confidence through physical exercise and the game of soccer.

Skills and Experience

- Familiarity and experience with NCAA and conference rules and regulations.
- Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite, SPSS and R, and programming languages BASIC and Python.
- Experience with participant recruiting, scheduling participation times and locations, and with the organization, analysis, and presentation of raw data and demographics.

Selected Soccer Accolades

Bowling Green High School- Bowling Green, KY

- Four-time All State Academic First Team
- Four-Year Varsity Starter
- 2012 Varsity Soccer Captain
- 2012 All State First Team
- 2012 Offensive MVP
- 2011 and 2012 Varsity Leading Scorer

Carleton College- Northfield, MN

- 2016 NSCAA Scholar All-Region Team
- Four-Year Varsity Starter
- 2016 Varsity Soccer Captain
- 2016 All MIAC First Team
- 2016 MIAC Leading Scorer
- 2016 NSCAA All-Region Team

References

Julie Neiworth- Director of the Primate Research Lab at Carleton College and Professor of Psychology.

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