LAUREN RIGNEY

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EDUCATION

2007 – Present University of Southern California, Annenberg School for Communication

Los Angeles, CA

Major in Print Journalism with a minor in Global Communication, GPA: 3.72

2003 – 2007 **Punahou School** Diploma with honors, Unweighted GPA: 3.7

Honolulu, HI

WORK EXPERIENCE

Fall 2010 **Demand Media**, LIVESTRONG.com Content Intern

Santa Monica, CA

Online media company and owner of eHow, Cracked and LIVESTRONG.com

- Collaborate with editor on weekly newsletters, working primarily in Dreamweaver and Photoshop
- Program and schedule content for the LIVESTRONG homepage, Twitter and FourSquare
- Syndicate LIVESTRONG articles to The Huffington Post and Yahoo! Shine

Summer 2010 The Opportunity Agenda, Communications Intern

New York, NY

Non-profit with a focus on collaborating with American media to create effective messaging

- Researched and wrote a six-week report about online public discourse on immigration; the scan will be published and distributed as part of a report on Web 2.0 and immigration
- Blogged weekly on current social and political topics, such as education and immigration reform
- Created a ten-minute presentation for the executive director's use in future speeches

Spring 2010 **Discovery Communications**, Publicity Intern

Los Angeles, CA

Non-fiction media company and TV producer of Discovery Channel

- Was responsible for managing the publicity of Discovery Channel's primetime shows *Mythbusters*, *Dirty Jobs* and *Life* by tracking print, online and broadcast coverage
- · Created and published impression reports with press clips and circulation data for executives

Fall 2009 Focus Features, Publicity Intern

Universal City, CA

Specialty films division of Universal Pictures, NBC

- Researched and suggested possible audience groups for films such as *A Serious Man, Babies*, *Pirate Radio*, and contacted such groups for promotions and early screenings
- Conducted in-depth research on California universities and presented final report to publicity and marketing executives for their use in future marketing campaigns

Summer 2009 Hawaii Business magazine, Editorial Intern

Honolulu, HI

Oldest regional business magazine in the United States with circulation over 13,000

- Contributed original editorial content for 2009 August, September, October issues, as well as a full page "advertorial" for a national construction management company
- Led social networking efforts by creating company Facebook and Twitter accounts

Summer 2008 Element Media Hawaii, Editorial Intern

Honolulu, HI

Publishes business, lifestyle magazine Pacific Edge, with circulation over 10,000

- Wrote content for all company publications, including a three-page feature article on organic farming in Pacific Edge that won a first place 2009 SPJ Student Journalism Award
- Helped editors lay out magazines, develop the website, and promote publications at events

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

2008 - Present University of Southern California, Recreational Sports Department Publicity and Promotions Social Networker

Los Angeles, CA

• Schedule events with university calendars and manage the department's Facebook and Twitter accounts to build a greater network and keep the university's community informed and involved

SKILLS

- Practiced in social media technology (i.e. FourSquare, Facebook, Google Alerts, Twitter, Blogs)
- Proficient in LexisNexis, BurrellesLuce, Microsoft Office, working knowledge of Photoshop
- Able to speak, read and write in intermediate Spanish

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS

- Contributor to USC's student newspaper as well as USC's digital news website
- Interested in surfing, cooking dog obedience training and blogging (LRigney,wordpress.com)