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EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

- BA in Theatre, magna cum laude
- Minor in Creative Writing and Certificate in Playwriting
- Cumulative GPA: 3.9/4.0

WORK EXPERIENCE

Library Associate April 2019-Present

Chicago Public Library, Teen Services Department

- Lead and assist with large scale programming efforts across all 81 library branches.
- Participate in "Best of the Best" reading committee to determine system-wide book acquisitions.
- Create and maintain program-in-a-box kits.
- Mentor the annual Chi Teen Lit Fest teen council planning committee.

Tour Guide April 2019-Present

Bobby's Bike Hike

- Host food tours in downtown Chicago for groups of 2-16 guests.
- Deliver a safe and fun experience that balances history with humor.
- Write blog posts and press releases to highlight corporate updates.

Birthday Party Associate October 2018-June 2019

Kids Science Labs

- Led birthday parties for elementary school students ages 4-7.
- Engaged kids with science experiments to make learning fun.
- Coordinated logistics with the team to ensure an enjoyable birthday experience.

Run Crew and Stage Management Intern

Writers Theatre

July 2018-September 2018

- Assisted stage manager with information organization.
- Communicated production notes between departments.
- Facilitated fast-paced scene changes to ensure a smooth, nightly performance.

Theatre Teacher and Student Life Associate

American Hebrew Academy (International Boarding High School)

August 2016-June 2018

- Lived with and directly responsible for the well-being of 20 high school boarding students.
- Taught theatre, assistant directed theatrical productions, and planned recreational programs.
- Developed a "life-skills" program that taught practical skills. Student feedback 4.2 out of 5.
- Won "above-and-beyond" award for "maintaining professionalism in tense situations."