MICAH MUSSER

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Education

Georgetown University, Georgetown College of Arts and Sciences

Class of 2019

Bachelor of Arts, Summa cum laude (GPA 3.98)

Major: Government; Minors: Economics, Environmental Studies

- Societies and Fellowships: Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Sigma Alpha (National Political Science Honor Society), John Carroll Fellow, Presidential Fellow at the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress (CSPC)
- **Awards and Honors:** Honors with distinction in the Government Department; Tocqueville Forum Senior Thesis Prize for best senior thesis in political theory; published author in CSPC's *Fellows Review* and recipient of the James R. Moffett Award for Most Original Research Paper

Work Experience

The Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, Washington, D.C. Research Assistant

May 2016-Present

Supervisor: Claudia Winkler (claudia.winkler@georgetown.edu)

- Since August 2019, work full-time for Thomas Banchoff, Georgetown University Vice President of Global Engagement, on a research project studying the governance of gene editing in the United States and China
- Author official publications, including, to date, two policy briefs, two annual reports, blog posts, two scholar profiles, and grant applications for project funds totaling over \$300,000
- Edit and provide technical research for official publications, including, to date, conference reports, published chapters, scholarly sourcebooks and two full volumes on topics ranging from e-commerce to blasphemy laws
- Assist in event execution; attend and provide summaries of relevant events in the D.C. area as needed

Extracurricular Activities

Georgetown Renewable Energy and Environment Network (GREEN)

January 2016-May 2018

- Co-founded the organization in spring 2016 to work with administrators to promote sustainable campus projects
- Served as primary liaison to administrators from May 2016 until May 2017 and oversaw quantitatively-driven environmental initiatives including an LED light expansion and a low-flow showerhead retrofit
- Served as treasurer from May 2017 until May 2018 and oversaw grant application and fundraising initiatives as to support a wide range of campus projects
- Volunteered at least once per month for D.C.-based service opportunities such as tree plantings or litter cleanups

The Tocqueville Forum for Political Understanding

September 2015-December 2018

- Served as president from May 2017 until December 2018 and managed programming by organizing faculty symposia, lectures, and student reading groups
- Promoted the organization's reach by building a new website and organizing, in spring 2019, a panel of D.C.-area experts to discuss the impact of social media on democracy
- Served for six semesters as an editor for *Utraque Unum*, Georgetown's only undergraduate-run humanities journal and a component of the Tocqueville Forum, including three semesters as managing editor

Technical Skills & Certifications

- Computer Skills: Microsoft Office suite; Google suite; familiarity with Wordpress and web design; familiarity with Python, Stata, and machine learning techniques for data analysis
- Other Skills: qualitative research, policy research, grant writing, public speaking
- Certifications: Neural Networks and Deep Learning; Structuring Machine Learning Projects; Convolutional Neural Networks; Sequence Models (via deeplearning.ai on Coursera)
- Languages: Spanish: professional working proficiency