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Select Work Experience

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| May — Aug 2015 Washington, D.C. | <i>Affordable Care Act/Health Care Media Team Intern</i> U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (Assistant Secretary of Public Affairs) Created weekly media metrics report statistically analyzing message breakthrough for senior staff. Authored opposition research books on controversial issues including <i>King v. Burwell</i> , contraceptive coverage, and advance care planning. Wrote daily press briefing for Secretary Burwell and senior staff, nightly White House of Cabinet Affairs report. Participated in crisis communications war rooms. |
| Mar — May 2015 Washington, D.C. | <i>Legislative & Press Intern</i> U.S. House of Representatives (Office of Congressman Rick Larsen) Drafted Extension of Remarks placed in the <i>Congressional Record</i> . Drafted “Dear Colleague” letter for Legislative Director on office priority bill tax reform bill. Authored memos for senior staff on (sub)committee mark-ups & policy briefings. Compiled and analyzed press clips for Communications Director. Tracked roll call and committee votes on key issues. |
| Jan — Mar 2015 Washington D.C. | <i>Program Assistant — U.S.-Asia Institute</i> Organized and hosted briefing on foreign policy aspects of cybersecurity policy. Assisted on consulting project to help an ASEAN Ambassador analyze his country’s perception in Congress. Researched and wrote reports on current issues related to U.S.-Asia relations. Managed Twitter account and copy-edited correspondence. |
| Oct — Dec 2014 Cape Town, ZA | <i>Research Assistant — Centre for Environmental Rights</i> Researched legal, economic, and feasibility concerns around emerging coal technologies (i.e. underground coal gasification & coal-bed methane extraction). Presented research to Executive Director. |
| Aug — Nov 2012 Chapel Hill, NC | <i>Field Intern — Obama for North Carolina</i> Helped lead early voting efforts centered on and canvassed most of the UNC student body. Worked with county and state Democratic organizers on tax raises and other campaigns. |

Educational Background

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill **Exp. Dec 2015/May 2016**
B.A. Political Science (with Distinction) [[Link to Official Transcript](#)]
GPA: 3.919 — *Politics (Major)* GPA: 4.000 — *Phi Beta Kappa* — *Dean’s List (all semesters)*
Carolina Scholarship (four-year full-ride merit scholarship) — *HonorsCarolina*
Experiences: Honors Semester, University of Cape Town (South Africa); Burch Field Seminar (Washington, D.C.); Southeast Asia Summer (SEAS) Scholarship (\$11,000 grant for study in Thailand, Malaysia, and Singapore).

Skills & Personal Information

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| Coding and Scripting | <i>Fluency</i> — R (inc. ggplot2), RMarkdown, L ^A T _E X, Shiny. <i>Significant Experience</i> — Python, HTML/CSS, Bootstrap, Github for Windows. <i>Developing</i> — Scikit-learn, SQL, Julia. |
| Statistics & Machine Learning | Regression (inc. multinomial, robust, logit, Poisson, hierarchical), RDD. Visualization/plotting. Random forests, Bayesian additive regression trees, Neural networks, Markov Chain Monte Carlo, Generalized boosting models, Conditional inference trees, clustering, text-as-data analysis. |
| Relevant Coursework | Mass Media & U.S. Politics; Data Analysis in Political Science; U.S. National Elections (Honors); Burch Seminar in Domestic & International Affairs; (African) Political Economy. |
| Languages | English (native), German (intermediate). |