

Résumé

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Professional Experience

Retail Keyholder, GameStop

February 2025 – Present
(20 hrs./week)

- **Sales & Customer Service** – Drove sales by engaging with customers, recommending products, memberships, and warranties, as well as keeping customers informed of current promotions.
- **Inventory Control** – Diligently maintained accurate inventory information for new, in-stock, and trade-in items.
- **Financial Management** – Monitored sales goals, managed store cash, and made cash deposits for the store.

Planned Career Break

March 2022 - February 2025

- Focused on research projects and professional development.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside

September 2017 – March 2022
(20 hrs./week)

- Led three weekly discussion sections, reinforcing key political science concepts.
- Provided individualized support through office hours and direct student engagement.
- Managed and graded assignments using Blackboard and Canvas platforms.
- Acted as the primary liaison between students and faculty.

Primary Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside

July 2020 – September 2020
(20hrs./week)

- Designed and taught “Mass Media and Public Opinion” course, developing a multimedia-rich syllabus.
- Created an inclusive and engaging learning environment through flexible lesson plans and assignments.
- Assessed student progress through written evaluations and interactive discussions.

Courses Taught

- Comparative Politics
- Mass Media and Public Opinion (Primary Instructor)
- The Nation State and Capitalism

- Politics of the Underdeveloped World
- World Politics

Education

University of California, Riverside

PhD in Political Science, 2022.

M.A. in Political Science, 2019.

Oakland University

B.A. in Political Science, 2015.

- Minors: International Relations and French Language

Professional Training

The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University, 2021.

Professional Competencies

Research & Analytical Skills

Qualitative Methods, Quantitative Methods, Mixed Methods

Software

Data Analysis: R, Stata, Microsoft Excel

Document Preparation: Latex, Microsoft Office, Adobe Acrobat

Collaboration & Storage: Google Suite, OneDrive, Dropbox, Google Drive

Operating Systems: Windows, macOS, Linux, iOS