

Alina M. Clough

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EDUCATION

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government *Master in Public Policy*

Cambridge, MA
May 2021

Concentration: Business and Government Policy

Coursework: Product Management, Data and Programming, Recent Efforts in Digital Government, Preventing Digital Disaster

Leadership: Republican Caucus Communications Chair

Westminster College

New Wilmington, PA
December 2018

Bachelor of Arts, major in International Politics, *summa cum laude*

Coursework: International Political Economy, Web Design, Data Analysis, Geographic Information Systems

Honors Capstone: *Mapping the German North-South Divergence: Modern Economic Effects of the Allied Occupation*

Leadership: News and Columns Editor – Managed a staff of 20 student writers and editors to produce weekly articles

EXPERIENCE

Belfer Center Defending Digital Democracy Project *Student Researcher and Facilitator*

Cambridge, MA
September 19 – Present

- Developed a cybersecurity response framework to assess security threats for the 2020 Iowa caucus
- Led 20 state party members in training exercises to mitigate cybersecurity risk levels for the presidential primary

Erie County Republican Party

Remote
May 18 – Present

Freelance Digital Strategy Consultant

- Oversee online presence for various state and local political campaigns
- Collaborate with candidates to implement effective and personalized digital media strategies
- Develop and integrate websites and financial technology tools to facilitate campaign fundraising

Erie County Board of Elections

Buffalo, NY
May 18 – August 19

Web Communications Specialist

- Managed a team of government IT specialists through a 15-month web development project
- Modernized sites and internal database with GIS integration, screen reader compatibility, and cybersecurity features
- Developed, designed, and managed websites for election reporting, voter data query, and election inspector online training modules, moving a \$100,000 outsourced contract in-house
- Secured a grant to translate the website into Spanish, which will expand access to over 30,000 voters

Berlin Parliament

Berlin, Germany
April 17 – July 17

Economic Union Intern

- Coordinated attendees for a housing policy event between corporate and government representatives
- Facilitated digital outreach to a 160,000-person metropolitan constituency in the Office of Representative Christian Graeff

Konrad Adenauer Politics and Consulting

Berlin, Germany
January 17 – April 17

Economic Policy Research Intern

- Researched economic, digitization, and transatlantic economic policy to facilitate German digitization and development
- Consulted with startups at CeBit, a 3,000-business trade fair, to mitigate technical and bureaucratic barriers in the German market

HSBC Bank

Depew, NY
May 16 – July 16

U.S. Operations Intern

- Led a project with department managers to redesign the daily reporting system and improve efficiency for a 40-person staff
- Audited over \$1 million daily in checks to ensure accuracy of HSBC's reconciliation transactions

Office of U.S. Representative Mike Kelly

Mercer, PA
October 15 – May 16

Constituent Services Intern

- Conducted policy research and digital and print media review for the Representative to support constituent relationships
 - Served as an intermediary between constituents and federal agencies to complete casework projects for constituents
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Skills C1 German Proficiency, ArcMap, Front-End Development, Adobe Design Tools

Volunteering Girls Who Code Facilitator, Moody's Financial Analysis Program Advisor, HOT Volunteer Cartographer,

Engagement International Consortium of Minority Cybersecurity Professionals, Association of Old Crows