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EDUCATION

Oregon State University — *Currently Pursuing*

MAY 2016 - APRIL 2019 (EXPECTED) (B.S. Computer Science)

University of Utah — *Bachelor of Arts*

AUGUST 2009 - MAY 2016 (International Studies: Global Health)

Shitennoji University — *Certificate*

JUNE 2015 - AUGUST 2015 (Japanese Language Studies)

EXPERIENCE

Provo School District — *Instructional Assistant*

JANUARY 2017 - MAY 2017

Collected and analyzed data on student progress, taught small group and one-on-one literacy lessons and remedial math, provided intervention support in K-6 classrooms.

ARUP Laboratories — *Specimen Processing Technician*

SEPTEMBER 2014 - MAY 2015

Rapidly and accurately examined medical specimens and paperwork, used proprietary software to accession and enter specimens, displayed advanced data entry and clerical skills, prepared specimens for laboratory testing as necessary, and received the "Superstar" high accuracy award two months in a row.

U.S. Department of State — *Foreign Affairs Intern*

AUGUST 2013 - DECEMBER 2013

Previously held Secret security clearance. Drafted and edited policy papers cleared by all relevant "Desks", wrote correspondence, took minutes, conducted oral briefings, coordinated with stakeholders to facilitate the formulation of policy strategy, and reviewed congressional documents and draft bills.

SKILLS

Attention to Detail, Writing, Editing, Critical Thinking, Learning, Data Entry, Cross-Cultural Communication, C++

AWARDS

United States Department of State: Certificate of Appreciation

Recognition of extraordinary contributions for furthering U.S. Interests in the Asia-Pacific Region while serving as a Foreign Affairs Intern.

LEADERSHIP

Student Leader - Shitennoji Daigaku, Study Abroad 2015

Student Government, ASUU Liaison - International Studies Department's Student Advisories Committee, 2011/2012

LGBT Mentor - University of Utah's LGBT Resource Center, 2010/2011