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OBJECTIVE

Obtain a position with an elected public official or a major company to gain first-hand knowledge and experience to accelerate and put me on a path to a successful future

EDUCATION

Kutztown University of Pennsylvania: Kutztown, PA
B.S. Political Science May 2015
B.S. History May 2015

GPA: 3.22

University of Valladolid: Valladolid, Spain
Study Abroad Summer 2014: 6 credits completed

Dean List's: Spring 2011
Fall 2012

SKILLS & CORE PRINCIPLES

Excellent leadership and presentation skills

- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Ability to work independently and as a cooperative team member

RELEVANT QUALIFICATIONS

- General principles of the federal government
- Understanding of the creation and implementation of laws and policies
- Knowledge of the citizen's role and representation in grassroots government
- Understanding of the legal system with a focus on discrimination in the work place
- Knowledge of the culture, people, and government of many of the countries in Europe, Latin America, and East Asia

EXPERIENCE

PennEnvironment

Summer 2013

Protect Our Park Campaign Intern

- A statewide, citizen-based environmental advocacy organization
- Role of grassroots door to door advocacy fundraiser

Liam's Landscaping, LLC

Summer 2012

- Worked with hardscaping and landscaping
 - o Set daily and weekly objectives to work efficiently towards the company's goals
 - o Developed skills to work independently in order to contribute to the overall success of the project's outcomes
 - o Gained an aptitude for the teamwork and communication that is necessary to complete our tasks

Abercrombie Kids

Summer 2011

- August 2011 Employee of the Month
- Worked as a Sale Model

- o Chosen to be a face to represents the store and the Abercrombie & Fitch brand
- o Gained first-hand experience with customer assistance through sales
- o Worked diligently to uphold store objectives and attitude
- o Responsible for maintaining the pristine conditions of the store and its products

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Member of the Kappa Sigma, Omicron-Omicron Chapter
 - o Fraternal Brother since the Spring of 2011 Semester
- Member of the National Honors History Society
 - o Honors Member since the Fall of 2013 Semester
- Member of the Men's Club Soccer Team
 - o President from Fall 2012 Semester to Spring 2014 Semester
 - o Vice President from Fall 2011 Semester to Spring 2012 Semester
 - o Captain from Fall 2011 Semester to Spring 2014 Semester
 - o Organized a Golf Fundraiser at the Brookside Country Club
 - Spring Semester of 2013
 - Raised \$1,400 that went directly into the team's private account
 - o Worked hand-in-hand with Jay Gallagher, the Coordinator of Structured Sports
 - Developed a deep rapport and effective line of communication through emails and meetings to streamline the overall organization of the team as it progressed from the Spring 2012 to Spring 2014
 - Gained the skills required to work under a coordinator while also operating as head of the organization's executive boarder to better manager the team's best interests both on and off the field
 - o Coordinated and collaborated independently with other university team presidents to organize and schedule individual and multi-team tournaments from Pennsylvania and New Jersey
 - o Responsible for the recruitment of new team members
 - Spoke directly with incoming Kutztown University freshman to persuade them to join the organization
 - o Organized the acquisition of three new team jerseys and other various team equipment