Holly Golightly

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Education

New York University

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Minors in Spanish and Creative Writing

- Cumulative GPA: 3.72
- Moon River Medal of Excellence
- Alpha Kappa Eta

Work and Research Experience

English Teacher

Fall 2012 – Present

Hepburn County High School

- Created engaging and educational exercises for students in 9th and 12th grade, focused on creative writing and composition
- Attended regular town meetings as a faculty representative
- Assisted with extracurricular activities including the schools glee club and dance team

Corps Member

Fall 2010 – Summer 2012

Teach For America, Brooklyn, NY

- Selected from over 46,000 applicants nationwide to teach for two years in an under-resourced public school
- Completed rigorous job training under the supervision of current English teachers
- Attended monthly professional development training sessions on data analysis, teaching methods, and behavior management

Research Assistant

Fall 2009 – Spring 2010

Professor Fred Paulson, Department of Political Science, NYU

- Assisted in the development of research studies aimed at addressing the falling standards of public school education
- Scheduled and interviewed approximately 100 students a week for research purposes
- Attended weekly meetings with Professor Paulson and two other student Research Assistants to discuss findings and create future studies

Intern
New York Center for Law and Justice, New York, NY

Summer 2009, 2010

- Assisted the law center and pro bono counsel with actual client matters and otherwise engage in the study of public interest law and human rights under the supervision of the New York Center
- Drafted legal declarations, stipulations, and orders, including restraining order petitions and dissolution requests
- Filed motions with the courts and served papers to opposing parties

Dance Instructor

Fall 2006 - Summer 2010

Funny Face Studios, New York, NY

- Promoted to Dance Instructor from Assistant June 2006.
- Helped females age 7 18 learn Jazz, Contemporary, Lyrical, Broadway, and Tap dance styles
- Created choreography for approximately twenty dance numbers each summer

May 2010

• Attended monthly budget meetings with other instructors and the owners to discuss future plans for the studio.

Volunteer Work

St. Joseph's Kitchen

- Prepared and served meals to the homeless every Saturday morning for eleven months
- Helped organize canned food drives to benefit the kitchen

Big Brother, Big Sister

• Tutored a 9th grade high school aged girl in math and science; provided mentorship

Alpha Kappa Eta Gives Back

- Organized Alpha Kappa Eta's annual fundraiser for the 2009 2010 academic year
- Worked on community outreach initiatives

Publications

Sabrina's Holiday (2012) novel also published in Spanish, Roman Publishing Inc. Residential Segregation in the United States: Urban Planning and Racial Zoning (2010) Senior Thesis F. Paulson, "Effective Urban Schools for the Underprivileged" Journal for Educational Reform, vol. 21, February 2010

Skills/Interests

Computer: Proficient in Microsoft Office, FileMaker, Basic HTML and CSS languages

Language: Fluent Spanish, Intermediate French, Beginner Afrikaans

Travel: Spain, France, Monaco, Belgium, South Africa, Kenya, Ethiopia, Cameroon, Morocco