Jena Klimaszewski

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EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Community Development and Planning

May 2025

Clark University, Worcester, MA

Bachelor of Arts in International Development and Geography

May 2024

Clark University, Worcester, MA

Honors: Cum laude, Gamma Theta Upsilon

Relevant Coursework: Community Program Evaluation, Community Development Studio, Planning and Zoning, Community Development Finance, Policy Analysis

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Affordable Housing Development Competition

February 2025 – May 2025

Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, Boston MA

- Created a community engagement strategy using census data
- Researched federal and state-level funding sources for the development

Food Pantry Student Assistant

February 2022 – May 2025

Jeremiah's Inn, Worcester, MA

- Completed intake forms and data entry for pantry clients
- Identified user needs through informal conversations during distribution
- Organized student-specific days and services to meet diverse needs

WooLabs Hanover Fellow

September 2023 – May 2024

Worcester Education Collaborative, Worcester, MA

- Designed a year-long curriculum on local ecosystems for elementary students
- Facilitated student-led projects that improved teamwork and social-emotional learning
- Increased student confidence and ownership through cooperative learning activities

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

YouthConnect Summer Counselor

June 2024 – August 2024

YMCA, Worcester, MA

- Led recreational youth programming, such as computer and gym activities
- Co-created safe space for youth at night over the summer

Leadership Institute Fellow

June 2023 – August 2023

New Roots Institute, Remote

- Created educational materials and campaigns on the environmental impacts of factory farming
- Built contact databases and form partnerships with advocacy groups

TECHNICAL SKILLS

GIS & Mapping: ArcGIS Pro, ArcGIS Online, QGIS

Programming: R (Intermediate), Python (Intermediate), SQL (Basic), HTML (Basic)

Layout: Adobe InDesign, Canva, Microsoft Suite, Google Suite