Ashton Falk

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Work History

• NTT Data Bloomington, IL

Communications Specialist

March 2015 - Present

Consult on various IT projects within State Farm corporate headquarters to develop strategic communication and organizational change strategies. Copy edit and proofread internal/external communications and other public relations materials in collaboration with Public Affairs. Assist with the development of multiple project communications and cross-project coordination activities. Coordinate communications across multiple software releases and programs.

- Communication Strategy Development
- Organizational Change Strategy Development
- Stakeholder Identification
- Audience Analysis
- Tactical Plan Development
- Execute Strategic Communication Planned Activities (email, powerpoint, video, job aids, etc)
- Leadership Message Points
- Newsletter Content Development

• Lee Enterprises Decatur, IL

Classified Advertising Representative

September 2013 – March 2015

Responsible for building and maintaining client relationships and creating recruitment marketing campaigns

- Managed approximately 200 client accounts
- Created and designed advertisements, from employment to business promotion
- Created and analyzed digital recruitment advertising through various social media platforms
- Worked with daily deadlines to manage and organize accounts within a fast-paced environment

Herald & Review Volunteer Committee Head

Responsible for the coordination and development of office public relations

- Organized meetings and managed the committee, leading group discussions and votes
- Coordinated office events to promote positive public relations within the office and community
- Managed marketing strategies by organizing charity fundraisers, ordering promotional items and facilitating print/online news stories

• University of Illinois Foundation

Champaign, IL

Telemarketing Services Office Assistant

January 2012 – August 2013

Responsible for reaching out to alumni for fundraising and account management

- Raised approximately \$10,000 in funds benefiting the current students
- Communicated with alumni and friends of the university to update them on the progress of the school
- Recruited and trained new employees

Education

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ADKAR Change Management Certification

Bloomington, IL August 2015

• University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign

Champaign, IL

Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Communication

August 2009 – May 2013

Skills

- Familiarity with Agile methodologies such as Scrum
- Social media experience with Twitter, Facebook, Tumblr, Reddit and LinkedIn
- Software experience with Github, Markdown, Lotus Notes, Microsoft Office Suite, Microsoft Sharepoint, Microsoft Visio and Microsoft OneNote