Alissa Baza

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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Los Angeles, CA

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Minor in Education

Sept. 2022 - June 2024

Experience

Behavior Intervention Aid

Aug. 2024 – Present

Kennedy Elementary School

Dinuba, CA

- Organize group meetings to foster a sense of community among mentees while setting expectations for communication and support.
- Applied behavior modification techniques based on Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) principles to improve students' social interaction skills.
- Responded appropriately to disruptive, abusive, and dangerous behavior by following established procedures.

MEChA Calmecac Academic Peer Counselor

Oct. 2023 – June 2024

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

- Provided weekly one-on-one counseling to students, aiding academic progress, planning, and holistic wellbeing.
- Managed counseling services, evaluated service effectiveness, and tracked counseling services using Excel.
- Conducted outreach including phone banking, email communication, and tabling to promote MEChA Calmecac.
- Assisted in facilitating academic and holistic workshops each quarter, enhancing student engagement and learning.

Summer Recreation and Enrichment Aid

June-July 2022, June-July 2023

Cutler Elementary School

Cutler, CA

- Delivered instruction in subjects like math, science, reading, and grammar.
- Assisted in classroom and playground setup, ensuring a safe and healthy environment.
- Maintained discipline and fostered a positive atmosphere through leadership and responsibility.

A.V.I.D. Tutor

Jan. 2021 – June 2022

Orosi High School

Orosi, CA

- Recommended and recruited other AVID team members and coordinated AVID fundraising activity.
- Tutored students across various subjects, reinforcing class lessons and improving their skills and test preparation.
- Collaborated with teachers to assess and address the educational needs of students based on observed performance.
- Corrected assignments, including class and homework tasks in writing, spelling, punctuation, and arithmetic.
- Operated various classroom and office equipment, including computers and audio-visual tools.

RESEARCH

Latinx Mental Health and Retention in Higher Education

Sept. 2023 – Dec. 2023

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

- Analyzed interviews from MEChA Calmecac to assess support structures for underserved students.
- Identified barriers, such as limited resources and cultural dissonance, affecting students' academic success and well-being.
- Proposed recommendations to improve culturally relevant mental health resources and peer counseling programs for Latinx students.

Volunteer

Transfer Mentor

 $Sept.\ 2023-June\ 2024$

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

- Maintained regular contact with mentees via emails, calls, and texts to assess and address their concerns.
- Established ground rules for interactions, ensuring respect for personal schedules and communication methods.
- Organized meetings to create a community among mentees while providing communication and support.

SKILLS

- Behavioral Management
- Counseling and Mentoring
- Program Coordination and Workshop Facilitation
- Research and Data Analysis