

LJ Valencia

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Education

University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB, Canada

BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONORS) IN ECONOMICS, MINOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Sept. 2015 - June 2020

- Received a Bloomberg Market Concepts (BMC) Certificate in April 2018.

Skills

Software MATLAB, STATA

Programming Python, R, LaTeX

Languages Native Fluency: English, Filipino, Beginner-Intermediate: Ilocano, French, Spanish

Experience

University of Alberta, Department of Economics

Edmonton, AB, Canada

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Jan. 2020 - present

- Manage, sort, and aggregate large databases on United States campaign contributions using computer programming (Python and R).
- Utilize data-oriented Python libraries for data manipulation and analysis such as Pandas and NumPy.

University of Alberta, Department of Economics

Edmonton, AB, Canada

UNDERGRADUATE ECONOMICS 101/102 TUTOR

Sept. 2019 - Apr. 2020

- Hosted tutor hours at the Department of Economics, Econ 101/102 Tutor Centre and answer student questions on introductory economics.
- Supervised and provided feedback on student online forum discussions via Packback.
- Proctored in-person exams.

University of Alberta, Institute for Public Economics (IPE)

Edmonton, AB, Canada

IPE EVENTS ASSISTANT

May 2018

- Assisted the University of Alberta, Institute for Public Economics in event preparations for the annual IPE Conference.
- Preparations include graphics design for posters using Microsoft Publisher, contacting potential sponsors, and registration management.

Strathcona Place Senior Centre

Edmonton, AB, Canada

SERVING COMMUNITIES INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (SCiP), NEEDS ANALYST INTERN

Aug. 2017 - June 2018

- Supported the senior centre's Executive Director in completing a Needs Assessment Report for the Centre's building project
- Produced a video project that highlights the benefits of inter-generational initiatives in the community.

Strathcona Place Senior Centre

Edmonton, AB, Canada

COMMUNITY NEEDS AMBASSADOR

May. 2017 - Aug. 2017

- Collaborated with the Executive Director in crafting a Needs Assessment Report for the Strathcona Place Senior Centre's building project.
- Conducted survey data analysis, demographic research, community outreach efforts, and graphics design using Venngage.
- Assisted the Assistant Executive Director in producing a video highlighting the role of outreach programs and services to the local community. This video successfully won an award in the Canada150in150 video project. The project commemorated the impact of individuals, organizations, and corporations throughout Alberta.

Extracurricular Activity

Greenwood Singers

Edmonton, AB, Canada

CHORISTER

Sept. 2019 - present

- Prepare for the Greenwood Singers' Christmas and Spring concerts by participating in Thursday evening rehearsals, weekend choral workshops and practice outside of rehearsal time.

All Points West Choral Ensemble

Edmonton, AB, Canada

CHORISTER

Sep. 2019 - present

- Perform in two concerts during the 2019-2020 academic year. Preparations include rehearsals on Tuesday evenings, weekend choral workshops, and practice outside of rehearsal time.

Filipino International Baptist Church

Edmonton, AB, Canada

WORSHIP MINISTRY VOLUNTEER

Jun. 2011 - present

- Contribute to the FIBC worship ministry as a worship leader, bass guitarist, back-up vocalist, and audio-visual operator.

University of Alberta, Faculty of Education Handbell Ringers

Edmonton, AB, Canada

HANDBELL RINGER

Sept. 2019 - Apr. 2020

- Perform in a variety of concerts with the Greenwood Singers and the University of Alberta Mixed Chorus (UAMC). Preparations include rehearsals on Wednesday evenings and weekend workshops.

University of Alberta Mixed Chorus (UAMC)

Edmonton, AB, Canada

CHORISTER

Sept. 2015 - Apr. 2020

- Participated in three concerts during the academic year. Preparations include rehearsals on Wednesday evenings and Saturday sectionals.
- Performed in the UAMC's Annual Spring Tour in 2016 and 2018, singing in various communities across Western Canada.
- Fundraised for the UAMC as a member of the carolling team, singing in various winter events across Edmonton and area.

Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS)

Edmonton, AB, Canada

SOCIAL SCIENCES COUNCILLOR

May. 2018 - Apr. 2020

- Ensured that our faculty association executives are accountable and assist the executives in implementing policies that benefit art students through committee participation.
- Represented the needs and concerns of arts students at the Arts Faculty Council, and voted on relevant faculty-wide issues such as changes to academic requirements and standards.

Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS)

Edmonton, AB, Canada

VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL

May 2016 - Apr. 2018

- Managed external communications to other organizations and advocated for issues on campus on behalf of arts students.
- Participated in student body and faculty committees such as the Council of Faculty Associations (CoFA) and the Arts Executive Committee.

Honors & Awards

2019	The Economics Honors Award , University of Alberta, Department of Economics	Edmonton, Canada
2017	The Economics Honors Award , University of Alberta, Department of Economics	Edmonton, Canada
2017	The Economics Merit Scholarships , University of Alberta, Department of Economics	Edmonton, Canada
2017	University of Alberta Undergraduate Academic Scholarship , University of Alberta	Edmonton, Canada
2017	Community Enrichment Award , Association of Fundraising Professionals, Edmonton Area and Chapter	Edmonton, Canada

Projects

University of Alberta

Edmonton, Canada

CANADIAN MACROECONOMIC FORECASTING

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Produced a forecast of the Canadian economy using advanced macroeconomic modelling and estimation methods. Preparations include data management, time series analysis, and economic research.

University of Alberta

Edmonton, Canada

APPLIED ECONOMICS PROJECTS, DATA ANALYST

Jan. 2020 - Apr. 2020

- Participated in a team project and crafted a report for Western Economic Diversification Canada. The report presents an analysis of employment trends of underrepresented groups in Western Canada's agricultural sector. Preparations include data analysis, data management, and policy analysis.

Bank of Canada

Ottawa, Canada

THE GOVERNOR'S CHALLENGE, FINALIST

Sept. 2018 - Feb. 2019

- Collaborated with a team from the University of Alberta and presented an interest rate policy recommendation to the Bank of Canada based on independent analysis of current economic trends. Preparations include data visualization, time series analysis, and economic forecasting.