

Madeline Judge

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Education

Michigan State University

August 2012-present

B.S. in Environmental Studies and Agriscience; B.A. in Professional Writing.

Residential Initiative on the Study of the Environment (RISE) Member: Living-learning environmental stewardship program

Expected Graduation Date: May 2016

Experience

Communications Intern at Greater Lansing Food Bank

January 2014-May 2014

- Work with Greater Lansing Food Bank's Lansing Roots program on developing and designing promotional materials to spread awareness and interest in the program's incubator farm and CSA program. Materials include brochures, newsletter components/template, etc.
- Practice process of designing with and for a client with a specific audience, budget, and purpose in mind.

Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations

September 2013-December 2013

- Worked as a consultant with a team to analyze the financial/marketing issues faced by a struggling theater in Monroe, MI.
- Developed and designed a survey to aid the theater in assessing changes implemented in their marketing strategies.
- Learned skills in Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet and practiced design skills learned in classes.

Certified K-12 Wildlife Educator

October 2013

- Completed a course hosted by the Department of Natural Resources about teaching K-12 children about wildlife and nature.
- Received training and materials to continue developing lesson plans about ecosystems and many forms of plants and animals for a variety of audience ages.

RISE Office Assistant

September 2013-Present

- Work with the RISE Program Director and Assistant Director to complete projects relating to RISE events, newsletters, website development, document design, email communication, etc.
- Using skills learned in design classes to create visually appealing documents while communicating effectively with a wide variety of people.

Undergraduate Research

January 2013-Present

- Leader of a funded research grant at Michigan State University called Feeding the Future, which examines MSU students and their understanding of food production and encourages students to get involved in their food's production.
- Coordinate educational and social events for students regarding food and its production.
- Manage social media accounts (Twitter, Facebook) to promote involvement in food-centered activities.
- Organize and present a poster for the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum (April 2013).

Zingerman's Cornman Farms Seasonal Worker

May 2013-August 2013

- Planted, maintained and harvested a wide variety of organically grown produce. Assisted in the care of multiple breeds of livestock, most frequently dairy goats.
- Experienced the importance of cooperation with very different people and the pressures of starting a business.

Preschool Soccer Camp Coach

June-August 2013

- Created and executed soccer drills for 2-5 year olds. Coordinated with preschool teachers to develop age-appropriate activities and disciplinary actions.
- Practiced patience and learned to keep kids engaged in what they're doing.

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June-August 2012

Nanny

- Childcare 8 hours/day for two local families.
- Gained experience developing educational activities for children about the environment and food, as well as introducing kids to farm animals and their care.

Team Manager

October 2011-May 2012

- Coordinated payments, equipment orders, scheduling, communication between parents/players/coaches of high school club and varsity soccer teams.
- Witnessed the importance of effective communication and organization to meet the needs of a large group of people.

Skills

Technical

- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite: Word, PowerPoint, Excel
- Basic skills in Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator

Interpersonal

- Communicating among diverse groups of people
- Delegating tasks and organizing projects
- Editing and providing appropriate feedback to improve the final product
- Taking directions and feedback and implementing changes
- Personally organized, responsible for my actions, and committed to timely turnarounds and exceptional quality

Activities

- Be Spartan Green Team – Volunteer: helped recycle at MSU home football games
- MSU RISE – Student Mentor Program Coordinator and Office Assistant
- Volunteer in MSU's Bailey GREENhouse and Urban Farm
- MSU Ecological Farm and Food Stewardship Club – Member
- MSU Student Organic Farm Pig Project – Volunteer