

MADISON PAULUS

EXPERTISE

Writing - Editing - Science Communication - Graphic Design - International Development -
MENA Region - Intermediate Arabic - Mental Health - Anti-Racism - Climate Change

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REFERENCES

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EDUCATION

George Washington University

GPA: 3.4

2020-2024

Bachelor of the Arts in International Affairs
Minor: Journalism & Mass Communication
Minor: Arab Studies
Micro-Minor: Immigration & Migration Studies
Concentration: International Development
Regional Concentration: Middle East & North Africa

WORK EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT I

2023-Present

Climate Health Institute George Washington University

- Special project administrative support.
- Project/program development and maintenance.
- Data collection and data entry.
- Current project: producing a journalistic guide to reporting on climate mitigation/adaptation co-benefits.

CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR, SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

2023

Planet Forward George Washington University

- Policy Perspectives | Cutting the plastic noose
This article makes policy recommendations and compiles information integral to understanding and addressing plastic pollution.
- Essay | Can thrifting combat fast fashion?
This story delves into my relationship with fast fashion, thrifting, and the ethical and environmental implications of each.

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER

2019 - Present

Implementation Working Group for Friends General Conference

- Earned one of nine invitations to join the committee charged with driving results and recommendations described in an assessment of institutional racism within FGC.
- Engaged in challenging introspection of implicit bias.

EXTENDED DAY TEACHER

2021 - Present

St. Patricks Episcopal Day School

- Part-time role caring for elementary-aged children who stay after school; direct experience with 1st, 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders.
- Facilitating socio-emotional development, organizing games and projects, supporting homework completion, and emphasizing communication and open-mindedness.

SWIM INSTRUCTOR - SAFESPLASH SWIM

2021 - 2022

SCHOOL

SafeSplash Swim School

- Working part-time teaching water safety and strokes to individuals whose ages range from toddlers to adults.
- Time management in order to incorporate all necessary components within 30-minute classes, communicating and teaching movements in accessible ways, working with neuro-divergent children, exhibiting patience, and ensuring comfort for everyone in class especially those who are fearful of water.

INTERN/STAFF MEMBER

2019 - 2022

Leadership Initiatives

- Mentored participants during the Advanced Law and Trial Summit as Team Facilitator. Produced research and preparatory work for the organization.
- Led 10 team members to serve as law interns for the development and execution of witness preparation for David P. Weber's client.
- Performed weekly assignments such as email responses, research, writing and document creation for the summer programs as well as the International Internship program.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PROGRAM INTERNSHIP TEAM LEAD

2019 - 2020

Leadership Initiatives

- Led a team of 4 interns in supporting individual business establishments in developing communities of the world. Supported a Nigerian start-up.
- Managed team meetings and members, produced project reports, grant proposals and executive summaries focused on solutions and learning modules.

INDEPENDENT MATH TUTOR

2019 - 2020

- Provided weekly tutoring for children in 3rd-5th grade, specifically in math and writing.
- Successfully utilized virtual education platforms, applied fun and engaging means of teaching difficult topics, and provided consistent support in their classes.

CHILD CARE TEACHER

2018 - 2020

Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church Child Development Center

- Hired at 15 to work as a part-time teacher facilitating the development of social and emotional intelligence for children ages 1-5.
- Applied empathic responses and higher-level communication skills with children.
- Employed logical reasoning, and communicated genuine reasoning.

SALES ASSOCIATE (VOLUNTEER)

2018 - 2020

Ten Thousand Villages

- Contributed to the maintenance of a fair trade non-profit organization that relies upon volunteers to continue its equitable practice.