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Education

University of Rochester

Rochester, NY

2012 - 2016 BS Environmental Science, GPA 3.77/4.00. High Distinction with High Honors in Research

2016 - 2017 Take 5 Scholar in Computer Science and Digital Media

A 5th undergraduate year full scholarship to pursue an interdisciplinary set of courses outside one's major.

Research

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

6/2016 - 8/2016 MIT Summer Research Program intern, MIT Media Lab Macro Connections Group

Created a storytelling experience based on data from the group's project DataUSA in virtual reality using Unreal Engine 4 and Vive. Programmed 3D visualizations of the data and designed the interactions with the data and the narrative structure.

University of Rochester

1/2015 - 5/2016 Research Assistant, Kessler Ocean Biogeochemistry Group

Senior thesis: determined the spatial distribution and magnitude of sea-to-air methane flux in the northern Gulf of Mexico using ArcGIS. Localized areas of highly elevated flux were detected that were previously not observable with available methods, suggesting that localized emissions may have been overlooked at other locations

1/2015 - 5/2015 Research Assistant, Ebinger Active Tectonics and Geophysics Research Group

Aggregated and mapped seismic refraction and reflection transects in the Appalachian region to help determine regional earthquake risk as part of the USGS Earthquake Hazards program.

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

Woods Hole, MA

5/2015 - 8/2015 Summer Student Fellow, Wankel Stable Isotope Biogeochemistry Group

Received NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates fellowship. Investigated the impact of Fe(II) on the isotope dynamics of nitrite and nitrous oxide during simultaneous denitrification and chemodenitrification in anaerobic estuarine sediment incubations.

Teaching & Employment

University of Rochester

Spring 2017 Muralist, Rush Rhees Library

Commissioned to paint two 165" x 127" murals.

Fall 2016, 2015 Teaching Assistant, Intro to Geographic Information Systems

Facilitated in-class labs in ArcGIS and created and graded homework.

Spring 2015 Teaching Assistant, Intro to Environmental Science

Led two recitation sections per week and graded homework and exams.

3/2013 - 1/2015 Team Green Marketing Intern, University of Rochester Dining & Auxiliary Services

Worked on Dining Services' sustainability initiatives; facilitated special events, designed promotional material and infographics, and participated in educational outreach at Rochester Museum and Science Center.

Community Leadership & Service

University of Rochester

9/2013 - Secretary, Art & Art History Undergraduate Council.

Organized art exhibitions, hosted public participatory art events, coordinated museum trips, advised students on art and art history courses, and connected students to other art-related opportunities.

1/2016 - 5/2016 Volunteer Tutor, Refugee Student Alliance

Tutored former refugee students in grade-school through college in a range of subjects.

4/2013 - 12/2014 President, social activist group Students for a Democratic Society

Coordinated a faculty-staff-student community field day, guest-speaker teach-ins, documentary screenings, and other events; facilitated weekly meetings and managed administrative tasks.

4/2013 - 9/2014 Publicity Chair; Fundraising Chair, environmental student group Grassroots

Helped organize, run, and advertise events; coordinated a campus-wide dorm supplies recycling fundraiser

Honors & Awards

2016	Annalise Kjolhede Memorial Prize for Academic Excellence in Environmental Sciences. Awarded by the
	Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences at graduation to one Environmental Science major.
2016 - 2017	Take 5 Scholar, University of Rochester.
2015	Research Presentation Award, University of Rochester. Travel grant to present REU research at the
	American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2015.
2012 - 2016	Prince Street Scholarship, University of Rochester. Annual arts achievement merit scholarship.
2013 - 2015	Dean's List: Fall 2013, Fall 2014 - Fall 2016.

Presentations

12/2015

Diaz-Etchevehere, D.A., Wankel, S.D. The Impact of Fe(II) on NO_2^- Isotopic Composition During Denitrification by Natural Sediment. Poster presentation at the American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Memberships

2015 - American Geophysical Union.

Technical Skills

C, Java, Matlab, Unreal Engine 4, GameMaker: Studio, 3D modeling and animation (Blender), ArcGIS, Adobe Creative Suite, front-end web development.