

NIK VAN BAAK

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LANGUAGES & TECHNOLOGIES

- HTML
- CSS
- Javascript
- Node.js

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

- Served as Project Manager for a project that won the Best Presentation and People's Choice awards

EMPLOYMENT

- **ABA Therapist, Humble, TX; Including Kids** **2019-2020**
 - Taught behavioral, social, and developmental skills to autistic individuals (ages 4-25) in a clinical setting by identifying learner motivations and using that to modify behavior
 - Adapted rapidly to changes in scheduling or client programming to deliver high-quality therapy to unfamiliar clients
 - Took electronic data on client behavior; used that data to monitor therapy success and make adjustments where needed
- **Registered Behavior Technician, Bothell, Washington; APPLE Consulting** **2018-2019**
 - Performed ABA therapy in clients' home environments
 - Built rapport and problem-solved with client stakeholders
 - Coordinated with supervisor in and out of session to assess client motivation, implement programs, and manage challenging parent relations
- **Peer Mentor, Bellevue, Washington; Autism Spectrum Navigator program** **2017-2018**
 - Conducted weekly meetings with autistic students to assist their development of executive function, self-advocacy, self-regulation, and social interaction

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

- **Research Assistant, Seattle, Washington; Seattle Pacific University** **2017-2018**
 - Contributed to a study on anti-ageism interventions by converting survey data to a digital format and running statistical analysis using SPSS
- **Crisis Line Phone Worker, Seattle, Washington; Crisis Clinic** **2016-2019**
 - Took phone calls from clients with problems ranging from emotional distress to acute suicidality; used active listening to establish rapport with clients, relieve distress, and explore the problem; problem-solved with clients

SOFT SKILLS

- Public speaking and communication skills: 7 years of experience in speech and debate
- Able to communicate with minds very different from my own through experience with autism
- Excellent relational skills, fast learner, team player

EDUCATION

- **Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, Washington; BA in Psychology** **Jun 2018**
- **UW Coding Bootcamp, Seattle, Washington** **Dec 2020**