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EDUCATION

**MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE
of TECHNOLOGY**
Cambridge, MA, USA
2024

Master of Applied Science in Data, Economics, & Development Policy (part-time track)

BOSTON COLLEGE
Chestnut Hill, MA, USA
May 2016

Bachelor of Arts in English & minor in International Studies

- **CSOM Summer Catalyst Program**, Carroll School of Management
Selected for intensive 10-week management program comprising: accounting, finance, MS Excel, ethics, law, operations, and marketing

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

[SIC] STUDIO
Present

Founder (early-concept stage)

- *Khee Harvest*, Manage research and business venture for direct-trade coffee farms in Karen, bringing social and political impact to the fore
Began by asking: *How can a remote, politically ostracized farmer participate in the global economy? Can that participation restore her agency?*
- *Karen Virtual Museum*, Initiated an on-going project with Karen students to present and preserve their culture
Began by asking: *Can a displaced people group preserve its culture and traditions through the digital space?*
 - Conducted exploratory research on traditions and artifacts that reflect Karen culture and identity, then on how to present it digitally

SUNERGOI FOUNDATION
*a new foundation funded, in part, by
Parataxis Capital, a digital sector
investment firm*
Present

Research Analyst & Co-Chair of the Associate Board

- Develop grant programs consistent with mission of this new foundation from the ground up
- Design program lifecycles, considering the measurement of impact

**KOREA INNOVATION
CENTER**
Washington, DC, USA
Jun 2020 – Dec 2020

Market Analyst (consultant)

- Produced market research reports with strategy suggestions on AI and edge-device landscape, derived from various marketing models

**THOO MWEH KHEE
LEARNING CENTER**
*a migrant school established by and
for Karen refugees and Burmese
migrants*
Thai-Burma Border Region
Apr 2018 – May 2020

Lecturer, Bachelor of Liberal Arts (BLA)

Courses: English (Pre), Politics (1st & 2nd years), Peace & Conflict (3rd year), International Relations (4th year)

- Created and taught with curriculums considering students' backgrounds and experiences to maximize understanding and participation
- Distilled primary & secondary sources for non-fluent English-language students, presented in the form of slides/outlines/short articles for lectures and for student use in research papers
- Developed syllabus for International Relations course that was designed to allow students to incrementally draft their final research paper through course of semester to offset English-language difficulties
- Implemented optimized technology-based administrative processes (e.g., student and teacher attendance, volunteer application process)

**PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL
LAW & POLICY GROUP
(PILPG)**
Washington, DC, USA
Nov 2016 – Sep 2017

Finance Consultant

- Maintained and built finance models (Budget Logistics & Full Budgets)
- Created new methods to improve operational efficiency, reducing tasks from several hours to <1-hour
- Reviewed project partners' ledgers to ensure compliance with set terms (e.g., with government contracts)
- Researched religious biases in Kenyan counter-terrorism initiatives and security for Kenya project with final product as a written brief for firm co-founder, Dr. Paul Williams

CLOUGH CENTER
*a part of Boston College's Clough
Center for the Study of
Constitutional Democracy*
Chestnut Hill, MA, USA
Oct 2013 – May 2016

Clough Junior Fellow & Editor-in-Chief (Clough Journal)

- Participated in policy forums and discussions on unique intellectual discourse with students and guest speakers
- Received *Civic Internship Grant* for internship at Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, Massachusetts
- Initiated revitalization campaign for Journal's presence on-campus through relevant marketing and design strategies
- Collaborated with contributing authors in the editing of submitted essays to tailor to Journal's theme

**OFFICE of RESIDENTIAL
LIFE, BOSTON COLLEGE**
Chestnut Hill, MA, USA
Aug 2014 – May 2016

Resident Assistant

- Fostered a comfortable environment for Freshman residents, helping recreate their home space on campus by serving as an academic and social resource

EXTRACURRICULARS & RELEVANT SKILLS

FREELANCE WORK

- Created Powerpoints for venture capital firm's presentation on environmental investment sector & for professors at Boston College
- Designed logos for various on-campus clubs and events

LANGUAGES

Python *beginner*
R *beginner*

Swift *beginner*
English *native*

Korean *conversational;*
translation work for Theology