Sunil Suckoo

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Profile

- Experienced social researcher, with a focus on American millennials.
- Proven track record of implementing effective institutional change.
- Hobbies: art, writing, reading, event planning.

Skills

Ethnography
Field Studies
Diary Studies
Interviewing
Survey Design
Card Sorting
Focus Groups
Presentation
Microsoft Office

Awards/Honors

Amherst College:

- Donald S. Pitkin Prize for Best Anthropology-Sociology Thesis
- Christian Community Service Award

Hazel Park High School:

- Valedictorian
- Wilfred D. Webb Award (Community Service/Academic Achievement)
- Mathematics Award
- Writing Award

Education

Amherst College

B.A. in Anthropology, Magna Cum Laude Latin Honors

• 3.74 GPA. Watson Fellowship Nominee

Danish Institute for Study Abroad

August 2014—May 2015

Graduated May 2016

Copenhagen, Denmark

Work Experience

Gregory S. Call Research Fellow

June–August 2015

Amherst College

 Produced several short (1-3 pages) and long (10-15 pages) research proposals, granting me approval from the Anthropology and Sociology Department and full funding (\$1500+).

Mellon Initiative Research Fellow

June-August 2014

University of Chicago

- Conducted qualitative research (ethnography, field studies, interviews, card sorting) on diversity in higher education.
- Presented my findings to professors, administrators, and students at the Leadership Alliance National Symposium and UChicago Research Symposium.

Resident Counselor (RC)

August 2014—May 2016

Amherst College Office of Student Affairs

- Designed surveys with 100% response rate, allowing me to implement favorable dormitory programming throughout the year.
- Consistently planned events with nearly perfect attendance based on my research and insights into Amherst College culture.
- Co-founded the RC Council, which successfully advocated for a 30% increase in salary and 150% increase in yearly budget.

Research Assistant

October 2013-May 2014

Amherst College Residential Life Department

 Recruited 10+ staff/administrators at similar institutions for interviews to evaluate Amherst College's housing policies.

Research Projects

Millennial Cyborgs (Senior Thesis)

August 2015—May 2016

- Produced 110-page thesis on American millennials' relationship to technology/new media based on 5+ years of ethnographic, field study, diary study, interview, and survey research.
- Received high honors, department award, and praise from scholars, students, and business professionals for its clarity and potential for improving the technology-rich lives of millennials.

Human Trafficking in Scandinavia

August 2014—May 2015

 Produced 10-page policy proposal for the Danish government based on my own field studies, interviews, and diary studies.

Diversity at Amherst College

June-August 2014

 Met with Amherst College President several times and successfully advocated for 10 new paid staff positions at the resource centers based on my research at UChicago.

A Simulation of Inequality

January-May 2013

Conducted research with a team of five on age-based focus groups (4-6 people) using a simulation of economic inequality.