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, drawing, 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

Copenhagen, Denmark

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Work Experience

Gregory S. Call Research Fellow

Amherst College

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

Mellon Initiative Research Fellow

June-August 2014

June-August 2015

Graduated May 2016

August 2014—May 2015

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, resulting in helpful suggestions on residence hall 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/administration 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.