

# Sunil Suckoo

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## Profile

- Experienced social researcher, specializing on American millennials.
- Proven track record of implementing effective institutional change.
- Interests: random acts of kindness, independent films, modern art.

## Skills

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

## Awards/Honors

**Donald S. Pitkin Prize**.....2016  
\$400 to best Anthropology-Sociology thesis out of 12 honors theses.

**Watson Fellowship Finalist**....2016  
6% admit rate, 4 students selected on strength of research proposal, personal statement, and interview.

**Valedictorian**.....2012  
Rank 1 out of 200+ students.

**Wilfred D. Webb Award**.....2012  
The valedictorian with the strongest commitment to community service.

**Mathematics Award**.....2012  
\$25 to most promising AP Calculus student out of 20 students.

**English/Writing Award**.....2012  
\$25 to AP English student with the best writing skills out of 25 students.

## Education

**Amherst College (3.74 GPA)** *Graduated May 2016*  
*B.A. in Anthropology, Magna Cum Laude Latin Honors*

**Danish Institute for Study Abroad** *August 2014–May 2015*  
*Copenhagen, Denmark*

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

## Work Experience

**Gregory S. Call Research Fellow** *June–August 2015*  
*Amherst College*

- Wrote concise (1-3 pages) and in-depth (10-15 pages) thesis proposals, granting me faculty support/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 at the Leadership Alliance National Symposium (350+ undergraduates, 50 grad students, 25 doctoral scholars) and UChicago Research Symposium (20+ scholars).

**Resident Counselor (RC)** *August 2014–May 2016*  
*Amherst College Office of Student Affairs*

- Designed and issued 10+ surveys with 100% response rate.
- Planned 20+ events with nearly perfect attendance (20-25 students) using my survey data and ethnographic insights.
- 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 (Williams, Middlebury, etc.) for interviews to evaluate policies.

## Research Projects

**Millennial Cyborgs (Senior Thesis)** *August 2015–May 2016*

- Wrote 110-page thesis on American millennials' relationship to technology based on 5+ years of ethnographic, field studies, diary studies, and interviewing, and 140+ surveys.
- Received praise from 50+ students, 20+ doctoral scholars, and 10+ business professionals at the Five College Anthropology Conference for my clarity and potential for improving the technology-rich lives of millennials.

**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.