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EDUCATION

Stanford University | Stanford, CA
B.A., Political Science & M.A., Sociology

Exp. June 2026

Undergraduate GPA: 4.064

Awards and Appointments: Pi Sigma Alpha; Dalai Lama Fellowship; Haas Center for Public Service National Advisory Board Member & Lead Peer Advisor; California Ballot Bowl (Highest Student Registrations, AICCU Division); Senior Advisor to the Stanford Society for International Affairs; Fellow, Stanford Constitutional Law Center

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California | San Francisco, CA

Mar. 2024-May 2025

Legal Intern

- Compiled case records, managed evidence documents, and conducted quality compliance for National Archives cases
- Used Caseview and Net Documents in consultation with the head of ORD to assist with case files for AUSAs

NATO Cooperative Cyber Defense Centre of Excellence | Tallinn, Estonia

June-Aug. 2024

Law Branch Legal Intern

- Conducted academic research in the framework of the UNHRC to prepare a draft report on the oversight and monitoring of PMSCs in the cyber domain
- Researched and wrote internal articles and memos on the International Law of Neutrality regarding the Russia-Ukraine Conflict, Cyber Attacks and Interstate Jurisdiction, Customary International Law and EU Cyber Defense Diplomacy, Russian Election Interference, and the Intersection of Biometrics and AI for refugees
- Prepared 12 legal injects for NATO Operation Northern Spirits and Cyber Coalition – NATO's ACT

NeoStrategies | Silicon Valley, CA

Jan.-June 2024

Associate Consultant

- Wrote and conducted research for social media and campaign policy for candidates including Assembly Member Marc Berman and groups such as the League for Women Voters
- Assisted with campaign donor fundraising events and conducted opposition candidate research

U.S. Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division | Washington, D.C.

Sept.-Jan. 2024

Law and Policy Intern

- Researched statutory laws to assist the DOJ defending a Biden Administration rule governing migratory birds
- Prepared a memo that was used by the ENRD with the STB to establish the legitimacy of interstate NEPA regulated transformation of railroads into hiking trails
- Compiled and wrote memos regarding future legislation in animal protection and the enforcement of *Sackett v. EPA*

Office of Representative Julia Brownley | Washington D.C.

June-Sept. 2023

Congressional Intern

- Researched legislation and presented policy proposals regarding food-delivery programs for veterans, subsidizing plant protein for food aid, and subsidizing veteran transportation to the VA
- Attended hearings in the Foreign Affairs and Ways and Means Committees and represented the office in meetings with the Congressional Lyme Disease Caucus
- Answered and batched constituent correspondence and led constituent tours

Unite America | Denver, Colorado

Mar.-June 2023

Policy Intern

- Drafted state-by-state advocacy briefs about primary elections methods
- Updated the Institute's research library on ranked choice voting and updated the RCV research database
- Used Quorum to track legislative movements and analyzed state constitutional amendments for and against RCV

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE & PUBLICATIONS

Political Science Department, Professor Anna Gryzmala-Busse | Stanford, CA

June-Aug. 2025

Research Assistant

- Created a database of 5000+ polities and analyzed how states addressed issues of nepotism
- Utilized 4 LLMs with unsupervised learning tools to curate data and analyze regime types and government practices

The Clayman Institute for Gender Research | Stanford, CA

Feb. 2023-June 2025

Research Assistant

- Co-authored three publications coining the term “mankeeping” with Dr. Angelica Ferrara; work featured in the *Journal of Men and Masculinities*, *The Scientific American*, and soon *Sex Roles*
- Helped conduct ~100 interviews on male isolation, used R for quantitative research, and Nvivo for qualitative coding
- Work and findings featured in the *New York Times*, *Forbes*, *The Guardian*; solo interview in *Yahoo*

Hasso Plattner Institute of Design (d.school) | Stanford CA

Oct. 2022-April 2023

Elections Researcher

- Created a database of election awards to research effective measures for improved election administration
- Detailed the history of election administration and the various election administration structures per state
- Presented, alongside SLS and MIP students, proposals before former Obama official Tammy Patrick

Deliberative Democracy Lab | Stanford, CA

Oct. 2022-Jan. 2023

Research Assistant

- Consolidated California 100 research into accessible guides for focus groups engaged in deliberative experiments
- Provided context for future California policy solutions based on healthcare, criminal justice, education, electoral processes, and workers’ rights

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Institute of Politics at Stanford | Stanford, CA

Sept. 2025-Present

Co-Founder/Co-President

- Affiliated with the Democracy Hub, organization provides professional development for students interested in public service roles
- Created the Stanford Political Review, Community-Engaged Direct Service Program, and Public Service Alumni Mentorship Program and managed a team of 30 BOD and 100 members

Dalai Lama Fellowship | Stanford, CA

Sept. 2024 -June 2025

Fellow

- Organized events introducing BIPOC students to government job opportunities with Mayor Kamei of Mountain View
- Hosted prototype events with Congressional Telethon and Congressional Letter Writing Workshops

StanfordVotes | Stanford, CA

May 2024-June 2025

Co-Chair

- Co-led the voter registration effort at Stanford resulting in the “Most Registered Voters” of any private college or university in the state – an honor conferred by the California Secretary of State
- Organized voter registration drives, collaborated with Stanford Athletics and Ethnic Communities, and represented the organization in various Democracy Hub meetings and mixers
- Managed 6 directors and 11 team members; effort culminated in an alumni public service mentorship program

Stanford in Government | Stanford, CA

May 2023-May 2024

Director of Stipends

- Marketed, reviewed, and interviewed applicants for ~\$140k worth of public service stipends for Stanford students
- Worked in conjunction with the Haas Center for Public Service to determine student eligibility

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages: Spanish – High Reading Proficiency

Interests and Hobbies: Stanford Dragonboat Rowing Race Roster and Intramural Volleyball