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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, Chicago, IL
Master of Arts in International Development and Policy, Jun 2020
- GPA: 3.3/4.0

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, New Brunswick, NJ
Bachelor of Arts in Cognitive Science and Economics, May 2017
- Major GPA: 4.0/4.0, Phi Beta Kappa, Milton Friedman Scholar, Lab Researcher in Behavioral Economics

HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Skilled in small group and individual behavior analysis
- Economics and math background
- Published writing on international issues
- Fluent in Russian and French, Intermediate Arabic

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

USAID (VIA MSI), Washington, D.C.
Francophone Project Management Intern, Dec 2020 – present
- Ensure budgetary and financial compliance with USAID policies in Democratic Republic of the Congo field offices.
- Translate prospective local staff CVs from French to English, edit writing style to comply with USAID requirements.

THE SOUFAN CENTER, New York, NY
Graduate Intern, Jul 2020 – Sept 2020
- Authored 6 policy briefs using open source analysis on trade and economic aspects of global security.
- Edited Arabic translations of 7 medical and humanitarian testimonies in Syria, post- blast Lebanon, and Yemen.
- Conducted thorough daily monitoring of media mentions of staff and research products.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO BOOTH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Mar 2020 – Jun 2020
- Maintained 1.5 hour weekly office hours via Zoom to help 48 MBA students reach department learning goals on concepts including international competition and trade.
- Recorded student grades for Early Warning, Midterm Reporting, and Final Grades.
- Received and promptly responded to student inquiries regarding grades, assignments, and material.

MURMURATION, New York, NY
Data Fellow, Jun 2018 – Aug 2018
- Aided voter targeting strategy by over 80 political campaigns promoting K12 educational equity in the US.
- Found archived election results of ~40 races resulting in an upwards shift in predictive models in 3 states.
- Liaised with election boards via phone and email to collect election data on 120 electoral districts, refining data into user friendly template.
- Standardized phone poll survey results by topic from 6+ vendors in California using R.

BLOUSTEIN SCHOOL OF PLANNING AND PUBLIC POLICY, New Brunswick, NJ
Rodkin Research Fellow, Jan 2014 – Aug 2014
- Selected to receive $3,300 research funding as a freshman through competitive process out of over 100 applicants.
- Conducted ANOVA and t-tests on public finance data to analyze expenditure differences between income brackets.
- Summarized results in 10 page report on financial aspects of transportation, leisure, and entertainment expenditures.

LANGUAGE TRAINING

L'INSTITUT FRANÇAIS E'EGYPTE, Cairo, EGYPT
10 month intensive at 30 hrs/ wk, Department of Arabic as a Foreign Language, Oct 2018 – Jun 2019
- Result: B2 speaking, reading, and writing. Egyptian Dialect and Modern Standard Arabic

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Proficient in R and STATA