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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) August 2020 – Present

PhD in Political Science

American Politics subfield

Relevant Coursework: Political Behavior, Public Opinion, Political Institutions, Survey Experiments, Text & Images as Data, Law & Society

GPA 3.87/4.0

University of Wisconsin Madison (UWM) September 2018 – May 2020

Masters of Life Sciences Communication

Environment communications focus

Relevant Coursework: Public Opinion of Life Sciences; Natural Resources Policy; Political Ecology; Science & Environment Communication; Risk Communication; Sociology of Organizations; Conceptualization and Design of Mass Communication Research

GPA 4.0/4.0

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) August 2015 – May 2018

Bachelor of Science in Earth, Society, & Environmental Sustainability (ESES)

Bachelor of Science in Geography Information Science (GIS)

Graduation with Distinction in ESES; Summa Cum Laude Honors in GIS

Relevant Coursework: Multimedia Environmental Communications; Environmental Politics; Environmental Writing; Principles of Public Policy; Climate & Weather Policy; GIS in Natural Resource Management; Global Development & the Environment; Geography of Healthcare

GPA 4.0/4.0

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Interest group alliances, communication between interest groups, interest groups and the courts

WORK EXPERIENCE

Instructor Spring 2023

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - Department of Political Science

PS 201 ONL – Racial & Ethnic Politics

Graduate Assistant Spring 2022-Winter 2022

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - Department of Political Science

Illinois in Washington Program

- recruit students into internship program

- provide assistance and advising to IIW students
- promote and advertise IIW program on campus

Teaching Assistant Fall 2021
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - Department of Political Science
 PS 270 – Introduction to Political Theory

Teaching Assistant Spring 2021
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - Department of Political Science
 PS 387 – National Security Policy

Teaching Assistant Fall 2020
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - Department of Political Science
 PS 199 – The 2020 Election

Instructor Fall 2019/Spring 2020
University of Wisconsin Madison - Department of Life Sciences Communication
 LSC 100 – Science & Storytelling

- managed two sections of sixteen students
- developed lesson plans for a class that met three times a week
- independently delivered instruction without faculty member assistance

Teaching Assistant Fall 2018/Spring 2019
University of Wisconsin Madison - Department of Geography
 GEOG 139 – People & the Environment

Teaching Assistant Fall 2017 – Spring 2018
University of Illinois Urbana Champaign - School of Atmospheric Sciences
 ATMS 120 – Severe & Hazardous Weather

Environmental Communications Intern June 2015 – May 2018
Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC

- Wrote weekly Environmental Spotlight (500-1,000 words) for employees sent via e-mail
- Conducted semi-annual on-site environmental education to all members of firm

PRESENTATIONS

Midwest Political Science Association 15 April 2023

- *Oral Presentation:* Partisan Cues, Information Complexity, & Cue Salience

Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn June 2022

- *Oral Presentation:* A Brief History of the Environmental Movement

- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn July 2021
- *Oral Presentation:* Climate Change & National Security
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn January 2021
- *Oral Presentation:* The Green Jobs Promise
- Sierra Club, Electric Sector Deep Dive training September 2020
- *Oral Presentation:* Utilities 101
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn July 2020
- *Oral Presentation:* We'll Always Have Paris: Limitations and Lessons from Our Latest International Environmental Treaty
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn May 2019
- *Oral Presentation:* Opportunities in Puerto Rican Land Reform Post-Maria
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn May 2018
- *Oral Presentation:* Health Effects of Agricultural Operations
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn December 2017
- *Oral Presentation:* Urban Green Space & Human Health
- GIS Day (UIUC) November 2017
- *Poster Presentation:* Northeastern Medicare-for-All
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn May 2017
- *Oral Presentation:* Recycling Explored
- Illinois Geographical Society Annual Meeting April 2017
- *Poster Presentation:* Life Expectancy, Environment, & Environmental Behaviors
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn December 2016
- *Oral Presentation:* Blue Planet
- UIUC Students for Environmental Concerns November 2016
- *Oral Presentation:* Food Choice & Sustainability
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn June 2016
- *Oral Presentation:* Global Sustainability Issues

- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn January 2016
- *Oral Presentation:* Exploring Our Energy Resources
- Muller & Monroe Asset Management, LLC Lunch & Learn June 2015
- *Oral Presentation:* Food Choice & Sustainability
- Cosley Zoo Earth Day Celebration April 2015
- *Oral Presentation:* Food Choice & Sustainability

ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD STUDY

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Fall 2017
Wisconsin: Focused on land restoration & politics of preservation`

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Spring 2016
Costa Rica: Focused on energy policy and forest management techniques

LEADERSHIP & MENTORSHIP

Political Science Graduate Student Association (UIUC) Fall 2021 to Present

- President; coordinate meetings, develop professionalization series for grad students, create and manage working committees (Fall 2022-present)
- Grievance committee representative; resolve student disputes involving grades, working hours, or harassment (Fall 2021-Spring 2022)

Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP) January-May 2023
 Guide an undergraduate student through a research project, teach coding skills as needed, meet weekly to discuss project

A Space Spring 2021 to Present
 President; host meetings and create discussion plans for members of the UIUC asexual and aromantic community; plan social events with other LGBTQ+ RSOs around campus

Sierra Club – John Muir Chapter Fall 2018 to Spring 2021
 Press organizer; writer; recycling committee for Madison public events

Whole Foods & Plants Society (WFPS) Fall 2018 to Spring 2020
 Event organizer; communication and campus outreach

Students for Environmental Concerns (SECS) Fall 2015 – Spring 2017
 Writer and organizer for the Political Action Committee; moderator for 2016 Democratic candidate town halls on campus

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Fall 2015

IGNITE Leadership Conference

- Day-long program designed to teach students leadership initiative

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Fall 2015

James Scholar Tutor

- Weekly tutor for fall semester at Urbana High School

AWARDS

- UIUC – A. Belden Fields Award May 2023
- Sierra Club Wildflower Award November 2020
- UIUC – Jerome D. Fellmann Award (GIS) May 2018
- UIUC – Bronze Tablet May 2018
- UIUC – Phi Beta Kappa May 2018
- UIUC – James Scholar August 2015 – May 2018

SKILLS

Software: ArcGIS, Adobe Illustrator

Programming: Basic Python, basic JavaScript, intermediate R

Languages: Conversational Spanish, French, Norwegian & German