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Agency

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Education

Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs

M.A. International Relations

- PAIA Exceptional Scholar 2021-2022

Pontifical Universidad Católica de Chile

- International exchange graduate student in Santiago, Chile

University of Dayton | Cum Laude

B.A. International Studies, International Business concentration, Spanish minor

- W.S. McIntosh Award 2017 Recipient: Full scholarship with a 4-year internship with the City of Dayton

Experience

International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance | Policy Intern 2022

- Write policy briefs advising best practices to include anti-discrimination policies within Constitutional law for racial and ethnic minorities to support the Santiago, Chile team
- Research and copywriter for Constitution Net, an internet resource for legislators worldwide

Welcoming America | Certified Welcoming Intern 2022

- Audited municipalities for certification to assure their local policies meet the national standard of Welcoming foreign-born persons and diverse communities.
- Facilitated 3-week series of virtual international exchange roundtables for community organizers and politicians across the United States and Italy who support immigrants.
- Researched trends and data of cities that are program participants to support future target marketing.

City of Dayton Human Relations Council | Intern & Young Ambassador Program Coordinator 2018-2021

- Designed marketing materials, managed 2 websites through WordPress, manages 3 social media platforms including 2 Facebook accounts and 1 Instagram account.
- Coordinated summer program for 10 participants focused on social justice, professional development, civic engagement, and media skills partnering with Dayton Access Television.
- Provided individual resource assistance, plan and execute outreach events to assist immigrant and refugees in the Greater Dayton community.

University of Dayton College of Arts and Sciences | Teaching Assistant 2019-2020

- Provided academic and administrative support to 30 students in the University's interdisciplinary Core program subjects including Religion, Philosophy, English and History.

Awards

- Exceptional Young Citizens Award from US Congresswoman Joyce Beatty
- University of Dayton International Studies Dr. Margaret P. Karns Award for Academic Excellence and Service in global and local issues 2021
- University of Dayton Multi-Ethnic Education and Engagement Center Dr. Patty Alvarez Graduating Scholar of Excellence Award 2021
- University of Dayton Office of Multicultural Affairs Social Justice Award 2019