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HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS/SKILLS PROFILE

- Interview-based research experience gained as Research Assistant for the Munk School of Global Affairs' Creating Digital Opportunity research partnership
- Experience researching innovation/economic development policies gained as an Analyst for Ontario's Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure
- Professional application of research and writing skills as Compliance Analyst for the G20 Research Group at the Munk School of Global Affairs
- Communication and relationship management skills gained as Constituency Assistant for a Member of Parliament

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Sept. 2015-present

Creating Digital Opportunity Research Partnership

Innovation Policy Lab, Munk School of Global Affairs, Toronto, Ontario

- Conducted 15 interviews with firms in Toronto's ICT cluster as well as with traditional manufacturers using digital technologies
- Prepared research papers and conference presentations

Analyst

May 2015-Sept. 2015

Ontario's Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure:

Advanced Manufacturing Branch, Toronto, Ontario

- Initiated and presented research on Industry 4.0 and digital manufacturing
- Researched and presented a sector competitiveness study on Ontario's packaging sector
- Led a 40-minute session on behalf of my branch with multiple ministry branches
- Initiated and orchestrated a stakeholder engagement meeting with a mid-size manufacturing firm and a municipal economic development agency

Constituency Assistant

Nov. 2013-Aug. 2014

MP Ted Hsu's Constituency Office, Kingston, Ontario

- Managed scheduling and provided briefs for the MP's meetings with various community stakeholders
- Built and managed relationships with constituents as the first line of contact via phone, in-person, and email
- Effectively communicated policies to constituents and relayed feedback to the MP

Workshop Facilitator

Sept. 2011- April 2013

Enriched Support Program: Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario

- Led weekly 3 hour academic support workshops for first year students bridging into university

from troubled backgrounds and taking the LAWS1000 course

EDUCATION

Master of Global Affairs **2014-2016**

Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario
Graduation Date: Summer 2016

Honours B.A. Major: Business Law, Minor: Political Science **2009-2013**

Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario
CGPA: 10.05 out of 12
Awards: Dean's List 2010, 2011, 2013, Aiming for the Top Scholarship

Summer Language Program **Summer 2012**

CILEC: Jean Monnet University, St. Etienne, France

- Month-long, 20 hours per week, intensive French language course

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Research Ambassador **Oct. 2013-Present**

National Crowdfunding Association of Canada

- NCFCA Canada sponsored and promoted my paper on [Charitable Crowdfunding](#)

Mentor **Jan. 2011-Mar. 2011**

Carleton University First in the Family Student Mentorship Program
Ottawa, Ontario

- Peer mentoring for students who were also the first in their family to attend university

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

G20 Research Group Compliance Analyst **Jan. 2015-Present**

Munk School of Global Affairs, Toronto, Ontario

- Researched and wrote 3 individual country compliance reports on G20 member states' compliance to commitments they make at annual G20 Summits
- Responsible for assessing compliance for the commitment to reduce youth unemployment

ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic Article Published **Fall 2013**

2013 Issue of the Carleton Review of International Affairs
"The European Union's Gender Quota Proposal: Evidence of Shifting Forms of Governance"

High School Valedictorian **2008-2009**

Georgian Bay Secondary School, Meaford, Ontario

- Elected by my peers to give the 25 minute keynote speech at the graduation ceremony