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Education

Ohio University, (Athens, Ohio) Expected May 2014

Masters of Arts in International and Global Studies

African Studies Department

M.A. Thesis "A Discourse on the Synthesis among African Traditional Religions and Islam in the Greater Horn of Africa and its Implications"

Ohio University, (Athens, Ohio)

Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology

Certificate in Islamic Studies

Emphasis in Arabic Language

Honors and Recognitions

- Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Students Honors Recipient
- Graduate Student Recruitment Scholarship
- The National Collegiate Honors Society for Anthropology, Lambda Alpha
- Ohio University Anthropology Honors Recipient
- Sigma Alpha Lambda Honors Recipient
- Director's Scholarship 2010 and 2011 academic years
- Ohio Competitive Grant 2009-2012 academic years

Work Experience

Ohio University Modern Languages, (Athens, Ohio) January 2013-Present

Graduate Assistant

- Graduate Assistant responsible for conferences, meetings, and promoting Modern Languages through programming, and public relations
- Designed, managed, and facilitated the *17th Annual Spring Spanish and Latin American Conference* for 50 alumni and several students
- Promoting Modern Languages study abroad programs
- Coordinated with Alumni Association, and 13 other university departments to bring alumni back to Ohio University and facilitate conference

Ohio University Sociology and Anthropology, (Athens, Ohio) August 2012 – December 2012

Graduate Assistant

- Coordinated with professor on topics to cover in graduate level seminar
- Taught classes on *Contemporary Social Movements* in Middle East and Africa
- Graded papers and tests for seminar class
- Researched contemporary social and grassroots movements in America
- Edited articles from professors and scholars for publication in book

Ohio University Division of Student Affairs, (Athens, Ohio) March 2011-December 2012
Event Services Building Manager

- Coordinated customer service and execution of all events in all major event spaces
- Contracted with Campus Involvement Center to publicize major events
- Facilitated as contact person to all clients
- Represented Student Affairs to create a warm and inviting environment
- Supervised and delegates tasks to other employees
- Corresponded and leads contact with other departments for emergency procedures
- Trained in first aid, CPR, and biological hazards
- Trained in technical audio and video production

Other Relevant Experience

African Languages Association (Athens, Ohio) - Current
Programming Officer

- Responsible for facilitating and promoting events and membership
- Planning alumni and multicultural event to promote African Languages taught at Ohio University

Faces of America, March 2012-December 2012

Photographer

- *Faces of America* is a non-profit photography project. It seeks to showcase the diversity of America through the activist, heroes, scenery, and the general faces of a multi-cultural America. All proceeds from sales or gallery contributions will go to local communities of the participating photographer

International Student Union, (Athens, Ohio) - August 2011- December 2012

General Board Member

- General board member of students to help maintain budget and cultural events
- Helping with any cultural events on campus

American Islamic Congress, (Athens, Ohio) - January 2011 – January 2013

Campus Representative and Advisory Board Member

- Advocating inter-faith awareness after 9/11
- Helping to instruct advocacy work in the Washington D.C. area

Project Nur Local Chapter, (Athens, Ohio) - January 2011- August 2012

Chapter President and Member

- In charge of events and members of the chapter
- Raising money for relief aid and other organizations
- Budgeting for all events
- Advocating and educating for inter-faith tolerance and acceptance
- Collaborated with students from different religious backgrounds to develop an acceptance movie
- Implemented a food drive throughout entire Ohio University and Athens High School to benefit local food pantries, which collected 597 pounds of food in 2012

Independent Research, (Athens, Ohio) - June 2012

Anthropology Department

- Researched the discourse of the veil in the local Athens community

- Used participant observation to observe Muslim females in veiling techniques
- Interviewed Middle Eastern and African Muslim women regarding their practice of veiling and how the American culture has influenced this practice

Anthropology Internship, (Athens, Ohio) - March 2011-August 2011

Campus Coordinator Intern

- Gained leadership skills creating a stronger Project Nur Chapter (Inter-faith and community civil engagement organization) at Ohio University
- Taught students how to effectively engage in doing human rights, civil rights, social justice, and cultural programming that engenders tolerance and co-existence on campus and beyond

Workshops, Conferences, and Presentations

I AM Religion Presentation Event, (Athens, Ohio) - February 2012

Coordinator

- Designed and aspired to educate the students and Athens community on stereotypes of religion
- Implemented the *I AM Religion* event for the Athens community bringing together hundreds to be educated on six main religions and their sects in the hopes of dispelling religious myths
- Produced and created an educational video to promote the event
- Implementing *I Am Religion* at other college campuses in the Boston and D.C. area

Stereotype Presentation, (Athens, Ohio) - November 2011

Presenter

- Assembled an educational presentation for worldwide stereotypes
- Worked with a group of around twenty students and community members to educate them on overcoming stereotypes
- Showed students how to work with cultural concepts to overcome bias of stereotypes

Project Nur Workshop, (Washington D.C.) - September 2011

Student President

- Learned how to create and arrange events
- Learned human rights and civic duty exercises to become a better outreach member in my community
- Encouraged and utilized tools to show other student members how to create events to promote Inter-faith work, civic duty, and advocate for human rights in local communities and abroad

International Student Union Leadership Workshop, (Athens, Ohio) - August 2011

Member

- Observed how to maintain active chapters
- Learned how to construct community wide educational events regarding culture

Event Services Workshop and Leadership Training, (Athens, Ohio) - March-May 2011

Student President

- Trained in leadership skills through a ten week training seminar
- Developed skills on how to create and arrange events
- Utilized tools to show other student members how to create events and a welcoming environment

Language Skills

Modern-Standard Arabic

Al-Akawayn University Summer Intensive Program (Ifrane, Morocco) – Summer 2013

- Will complete 8 week program in Intensive Standard Arabic, equivalent to one year of Arabic

Modern-Standard Arabic

Two Academic Years in Linguistics Department

- Completed Alif Baa: Introduction to Arabic Letters and Sounds
- Completed 1,000 Key Words to Move Beyond Beginner Arabic
- Completed Al-Kitaab A Textbook for Beginning Arabic Part One
- Completed Al-Kitaab A Textbook for Intermediate Arabic Part Two

Arabic Language Student Association, (Athens, Ohio) - March 2011- June 2012

Member

- Studying the Arabic language and culture through weekly conversation hours and cultural presentations

Other Relevant Skills

Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite; Quick Books; Corel Paint Shop Pro; Working knowledge of Adobe Suite; Skilled photographer with DSLR cameras; Record-keeping; Managing budget of over 8,000 dollars