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### Objective

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To work in a professional setting where I am able to serve people from a wide range of backgrounds and utilize my skills to build community with coworkers and students.

### Personal Highlights

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- Service Oriented
- Leads well from the middle
- Supports others through hospitality
- Excels in an intercultural environment
- Skilled in the use and service of information technology

### Skills

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- Knowledgeable in the usage of Microsoft Office applications and other basic computer programs.
- Experienced in giving hospitality to visitors from different cultural groups.
- Versed in developing marketing resources such as videos, blogs, interviews and advertising.
- Accomplished in developing curriculum and training programs for intercultural communication.

### Leadership Experience

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#### **Graduate Leader for the 2012 Around-the-World Semester®: Concordia University Irvine**

Organized the team selection process and pre-trip training activities. Managed budget resources, a marketing website for the trip, and specifically focused on leading a small group of students within the larger group. Developed and implemented academic curriculum for international language studies and service learning practicum. Directed team excursions for our time in China and Peru, coordinated plans for housing, meals, transport, team projects, and logistical details of the trip. Provided hospitality services for our contact in each country.

#### **Japanese English as a Second Language Camp Co-Director: Adventure International**

Developed and implemented ESL curriculum for 25 Japanese students visiting the United States. Coordinated excursions in the cities of San Diego and Anaheim. Managed student homestays throughout San Diego County. Organized hospitality services for students and staff, directly housed two students and took care of their daily needs.

#### **Office of Global Programs Graduate Assistant: Concordia University Irvine**

Developed an on-campus Living and Learning Community for international students, coordinated with the leaders of international service trips to aid them in developing their programs, managed student positions responsible for intercultural leadership.

#### **Youth Gathering Co-Leader: Christ Lutheran Church La Mesa**

Planned events for the annual gathering of over three-hundred high school and junior high students. Coordinated volunteer efforts, managed activities for participants, and aided in the management of student leadership throughout each gathering.

### Work Experience

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#### **Concordia University Around-the-World Semester®, Irvine, CA** **04, 2011 – 12, 2012** **ATW Graduate Leader**

Selected from a pool of over one-hundred students to be one of four Graduate Leaders on the Around-the-World Semester®. Responsible for planning and co-leading a semester abroad program for twenty-seven students traveling to ten different countries around the world. Students engaged in academic courses focused on the culture, language, history, and literature of each nation visited. The team participated in a service project in each country.

#### **Concordia University Office of Global Programs, Irvine, CA** **09, 2011 – 12, 2011** **OGP Graduate Assistant**

Developed multiple foundational pieces for the new Office of Global Programs. Projects included preparing a set of fundraising protocols for study abroad, supporting study abroad students throughout the world by providing access to university resources, and aiding in the formulation of a resource handbook for study abroad students.

**Concordia University Information Technology Department, Irvine, CA  
IT Department Student Worker**

**02, 2009 – 05, 2011**

Responsible for assisting faculty, staff and students in receiving technology support. Duties included initiating and maintaining contact with individuals experiencing difficulties with technology resources, solving various technical problems, and maintaining a record of all technology needs of the university.

**Jackie Robinson YMCA, San Diego, CA  
Summer Day Camp Counselor**

**06, 2009 – 08, 2009**

Engaged campers aged six to fourteen in various activities, team building exercises, and taught them various aspects of responsibility and citizenship. Responsible for the oversight and coordination of day camp programs.

**Mt. Cross Camp Ministries, Felton, CA  
Summer Camp Counselor**

**06, 2008 – 08, 2008**

Committed to the care of eight to ten campers for a week at a time while building community, caring for their safety, leading them in small group activities. Responsible for the coordination, organization, and leadership of programs during the week.

**Concordia University International Studies Program, Irvine, CA  
MAIS Program Assistant**

**01, 2008 - 05, 2008**

Provided information to inquiries concerning the Masters of Arts in International Studies Program focused in China. Specifically concerned with filing applications, assimilating raw data into Excel spreadsheets, and communicating regularly with applicants and accepted students to allow them to enter the program smoothly.

## **Education**

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- Concordia University, CA - Graduated Spring 2011
- Bachelor of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies for Education
- Summa cum laude

## **Accomplishments**

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- Community Leadership – Engaged in mentorship camps in India, Kenya, Zambia, and in Orange County, USA.
- Academically Accomplished – Dean's List for all 4 years of undergraduate education
- Teaching Experience – Taught English in China, Mongolia, Hungary, and to ESL students in the USA.

## **References**

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References provided upon request.