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Work Experience

ISU College of Design, Undergraduate Research Assistant	Feb. 2019-Aug. 2020	With Community and Regional Planning Prof. Mônica Haddad. Grant writing, editing, literature review, GIS, qualitative data analysis, and field work.
ISU OPPTAG, Counselor & Resident Assistant	Summer 2018 & 2019	Programming for social and emotional development with gifted students grades 3-11.
Urbandale Public Pool, Cashier/Swim Instructor	Mar. 2015-Jan. 2019	Customer service, money-handling, and lesson planning for ages 2-15.
ISU Academic Success Center, Tutor	Sep. 2018-Dec. 2018	Tutoring three groups of General Physics students.

Projects & Examples of Work

Urban Utopias blog at urbanutopias.net: Researching, writing, and self-publishing articles covering urban design, government, and socioeconomic theory.

City of Adel Downtown Plan: Survey design, writing, editing, and layout design before and after graduate studio, with Prof. Mônica Haddad. Adopted Mar. 2020.

Activities & Leadership

ISU Quiz Bowl Club	Fall 2017-Present	Treasurer and Virtual Quiz Chair, 2018-Present. Managing budget and organizing yearly high school competition.
ISU Fencing Club	Fall 2017-Present	Head Coach, 2019-2020. Planning weekly practices and lessons, coaching fencers at competitions.
FIRST Robotics Competition, Team 4646 ASAP	2014-2017	Representation Team Leader and Safety Captain, 2015-2016; Team Co-Captain, 2016-2017. Constructing a competitive robot from scratch, outreach and volunteer work.

Items of Note

Software Skills: ArcGIS Pro • RStudio • Python • NVivo Qualitative Analysis • C++ • Microsoft Office • Adobe InDesign • GIMP • WordPress

Honors: Exemplary Student Project Award, APA Iowa, 2020 (Adel Plan) • APA Outstanding Planning Student Award, 2020 • Chi Epsilon Honor Society • National Merit Scholar • National Honor Society

Professional Development: 2020 Upper Midwest APA Virtual Conference • ESRI User Conference 2020 • Preserve Iowa Virtual Summit, 2020 • SUS-RURI, 2019 • Midwest Big Data Summer School, 2019