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Education Millersville University, graduated May 2024 (3.27 GPA)
Bachelor of the Arts in English
Dean's List: Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022

Community Involvement

Millersville University, Creative Writers Guild Executive Officer (March 2020-May 2024)

- Elected for President position from March 2020-May 2022. Later elected for Treasurer position from May 2022-May 2024.
- Helped club members develop their writing skills through various prompts, discussions, and feedback sessions.
- Taught members how to give effective, encouraging feedback, and learn how to determine which skills they were strong in, as well which ones they wanted to improve upon.
- Provided a safe, welcoming environment for students and alumni to express themselves, learn more about publication options, and get assistance for both personal and school-related projects.
- Kept record of funds, event costs, and grants.
- Participated in the planning of open mic events, club contests and activities, collaborations with other Millersville organizations, and fundraisers.
- Trained and prepared new executive officers for their roles.

Millersville University, George Street Press Executive Officer (August 2023-May 2024)

- Elected for Secretary position in August 2023.
- Recorded meeting notes, minutes, and agendas.
- Participated in the planning of meetings, events, fundraisers, collaborations with other Millersville organizations, and other activities.
- Assisted in the selection and editing process of student, alumni, and faculty writing and art submissions.
- Organized and designed the online and printed magazine in collaboration with fellow executive officers.

Past Work Experience

Made in Millersville Journal, Internship (January 2024-May 2024)

- Editor

- Edited both academic and creative articles from various disciplines including Biology, African American Studies, Disability Justice, Literature, Creative Writing, Fine Arts, and more.
- Actively communicated with authors to guarantee their work met journal standards while best reflecting their personal style and intention.
- Ensured articles were well organized and informative with a clear purpose, while still appealing to a general audience and maintaining correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, and accurate citations.
- Marketing and Outreach Specialist
 - Managed Instagram and Facebook accounts.
 - Created all videos, photographs, and images uploaded to social media, along with writing all captions.
 - Announced deadlines, events, workshops, raffles, and new blog posts.
 - Promoted both the Conference and the Journal, as well as individual team members and authors.
 - Interviewed other marketing experts on campus to learn about social media algorithms, how to best appeal to different audiences, and how to generate high engagement.
 - Collaborated with the *Made in Millersville* Conference team to exchange knowledge, learn about graphic design, and brainstorm new social media content ideas.
 - Developed a radio advertisement with WIXQ to encourage communities both on and off campus to read the journal.

Michael's Craft Store, Team Member (July 2023-Present)

- Cashier
- Taught craft classes for young children and adults.
- Part-time

Boscov's Department Store, Sales Associate (December 2019-August 2021)

- Part-time

Personal Assistant (May 2017-August 2022)

- Cared for children, pets, and homes while families were at work and/or on vacation
- Part-time

Riddle Village Retirement Community, Server Position (July-August 2019)

- Part-time

Accomplishments

2023 Louis Darrell Sage Poetry Prize

- Sponsored by the Academy of American Poets

2024 Short Story Publication in The George Street Press

Conferences

Presenter, *Boundless Conference*, December 2019

- Discussed the integration of video games into curriculums to promote active learning and collaboration skills among students.

Presenter, *Made in Millersville*, April 2023

- Read a selection of my poems centered around elements of identity.