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Education:

UCLA (Los Angeles, CA)

Master of Social Welfare

June 2015

Concentration: Child Welfare

- *UCLA Feminist Caucus Chair*
- *PRIDE at UCLA Luskin LGBTQ Caucus Member*

San Francisco State University (San Francisco, CA)

B.A. in Sociology, Summa Cum Laude Graduate

May 2012

- *Sexuality Studies/Health Education Supervising Teaching Assistant*
- *Psychology Teaching Assistant*

Experience:

Rape, Abuse, Incest National Network (RAINN) (Washington, D.C.)

February 2016 - Present

Online Hotline Staffer

- Provides crisis support to survivors of sexual and domestic violence

Community Connections (Washington, D.C.)

December 2015 – Present

Assistant Team Leader – Young Mother’s ACT Team 6B

- Provides advanced trauma-informed clinical service for young mothers and their children experiencing co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders
- Directly supervises 3 Rehabilitation Specialists and provides oversight to a team of 6 Rehabilitation Specialists
- Ensures that all team documentation and accurate billing is completed in congruence with ACT fidelity expectations and also participates in preparing for formal fidelity audits
- Provides crisis intervention and emergency evaluation

Orange County Health and Domestic Violence Task Force (Orange County, CA)

July 2015 – Present

Task Force Member

- Assess the local need and the county’s capacity to deliver mental health and substance abuse services for victims of domestic violence

UC President’s Task Force on Preventing and Responding to Sexual Violence and Sexual Assault

UCLA Student Representative for President Janet Napolitano

November 2014 – Present

- Create, develop, and implement a Sexual Assault Response Team on every UC campus to prevent and respond to sexual violence and sexual assault
- Collaborate with a work group composed of select student representatives, faculty, and administrators from other UC campuses to develop content for education and training curriculum
- Guide the University of California in becoming a national model towards combating sexual violence and sexual assault issues on every campus

Domestic Abuse Center/ Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) (Van Nuys, CA)

UCLA MSW Student Intern

September 2014 – June 2015

- Provided individual therapy and group facilitation to survivors of domestic violence
- Taught basic domestic violence education class to mandated clients
- Conducted individual assessments and create treatment plans with new clients
- Provided court advocacy, support, and emergency crisis intervention through DART
- Edited a \$425,000 grant proposal to expand DART to 5 additional police stations in Los Angeles

DC SAFE (Washington, D.C.)

UCLA MSW Intern, Lethality Assessment Project

June 2014 – September 2014

- Facilitated partnerships between DC SAFE and 8-10 of D.C.’s major criminal justice and social service organizations
- Worked to ensure that domestic violence survivors at greatest risk of serious assault or homicide are prioritized by service providers to eliminate any barriers to safety
- Gained extensive experience in coalition building, organizational advocacy, and outreach

UCLA MSW Intern, On-Call Advocacy Program

June 2014 – September 2014

- Coordinated and advocated for emergency shelter, providing tangible resources, safety planning, emergency financial assistance, court advocacy, and education on the general court process for protection orders against offenders
- Collaborated closely with the Metropolitan Police Department and responded to scene-of-the-crime emergency calls

UCLA MSW Intern, Domestic Violence Research

June 2014 – September 2014

- Conducted follow-up research for a year-long study in learning about domestic violence trends in D.C.; published in the 2014 DC SAFE Annual Report

Project 180 (Los Angeles, CA)

August 2013 – June 2014

UCLA MSW Student Intern

- Provided individual therapy, group facilitation, case management, substance counseling, and treatment planning, striving to reduce the recidivism rate of clients
- Facilitated diversion and re-entry programs on Skid Row to offenders who struggle with substance abuse and mental health issues

Human Options Non-Profit Organization (Orange County, CA)

Volunteer, Crisis Hotline

October 2012 – August 2013

- Counseled and provided emergency shelter for battered women and their children

Volunteer, Children's Program

- Developed and facilitated therapeutic activities for children in the emergency shelter who have witnessed domestic violence

Professional Development Training/Certification:

Strengthening Family Coping Resources Certification (Washington, D.C.)

February 2016

40-Hour Rape, Abuse, Incest National Network (RAINN) Training (Washington, D.C.)

February 2016

Greater Washington Society for Clinical Social Work Member (GWSCSW)

December 2015 – Present

Licensed Graduate Social Worker (LGSW), License #LG50081432

October 13, 2015

Associate Clinical Social Worker (ACSW), License #68693

September 2015

National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Member

August 2013 – Present

SBIRT Substance Use Certification (Los Angeles, CA)

November 2014

- Certified training in screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment for substance abuse

American Red Cross CPR/First Aid Certified (Los Angeles, CA)

January 2014

48-Hour CSP Sexual Assault Victims Services Training (Santa Ana, CA)

July 2013

- State certified training that taught required skills to work as a sexual assault counselor for survivors

40-Hour State Mandated Domestic Violence Training (Irvine, CA)

September 2012

- State certified training that provided the most current and expansive information on the issue of domestic violence and taught required skills to work with survivors

Selected Leadership and Honors/Awards:

GWSCSW Legislation and Advocacy Representative

January 2016 – Present

- Researches and responds to legislative issues in the District of Columbia
- Attends meetings and hearings with legislators, offers testimony, and organizes grassroots campaigns

National Organization for Women (NOW): Legislative Coordinator

January 2016 – Present

- Endorses candidates and offers testimony to DC Council members regarding women's rights issues

UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs: Feminist Caucus Chair

June 2014 – June 2015

- Planned and executed events supporting Feminist thinking and advocated for gender equality and social justice for this marginalized population on UCLA's campus
- Procured funding and secured professional speakers for Feminist Caucus events
- Supervised 30 Caucus members

UCLA Luskin Japan Trip Participant

March 2015

- Traveled to Fukushima and Miyagi to learn about Reconstruction Policy after the 2011 Tsunami and Earthquake; interviewed survivors who lost their homes
- Presented findings to the Dean of the Luskin School
- Authored and published three articles in the UCLA Luskin Japan Trip 2015 Report