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| Objective I hope to use my education and experiences in heritage interpretation, community  outreach, and public relations to assist conservation, environmental awareness, and sustainability projects. | | | |
| Qualifications **Skills and Aptitudes** | * Passion for social justice * Talent for working with diverse groups of people * Exceptional capacity to understand processes and systems of organization * Supervisory experience in conflict management, dispute resolution, and consensus building * Ability to recognize multiple perspectives and lived realities of individuals * Ease at establishing and maintaining relationships within organizations as well as in community networks * Inclination for innovating thinking and problem-solving * Excellent written and oral communication skills * Commitment to public service * Familiarity with non-profit operations * Community-engaged research * Cultural competency * Community outreach * Public relations * Ability to work independently, organize efficiently, and manage project goals * Strong computer, information technology, and internet resource capabilities | | |
| Education | M.S. Applied Anthropology  Emphases: cultural anthropology, community development, public anthropology  Practicum:  Missouri State University, Springfield, MO | | Expected completion 2015 |
|  | B.A. Anthropology **Honors Thesis:** *Sexual Diversity and the College Campus*  University of Arkansas*,* Fayetteville, AR  Honors Program, graduated *magna cum laude* with 3.8 G.P.A. | | 1998 |
|  | Completion of Certified Interpretive Guide Program National Association for Interpretation | | 2008 |
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| Relevant **Work Experience** | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Graduate Assistant, Missouri State University, Dept. of Sociology an d Anthropology  **Graduate Assistants aid in the implementation of the academic program.**   * preparation of materials, documents, and databases * research assistance * public relations * website and social media management | 2008 |   Park Interpreter, Arkansas State Parks  **Park Interpreters guide visitors in making emotional and intellectual connections to the cultural and natural resources of the parks.**   * conservation/resource management * public relations, dissemination information through public programs, writing for the public * development and management of the budget for the interpretive program * planning and managing special events * coordination with schools and other community groups * production of non-personnel interpretive media (brochures, maps, posters, etc.) * recruiting and leading volunteer service projects * park operations and maintenance | |  |
|  | Production Assistant, Mountain Melody Thumbdrums, AR  **Mountain Melody Thumbdrums are traditional African musical instruments handcrafted in the Ozarks. This position assists the owner in all aspects of small business operation.**   * administrative and clerical: human resources, payroll, invoicing, shipping/receiving * customer service and sales: wholesale, trade shows, arts and craft fairs * production and assembly of parts and instruments * knowledge of handicraft culture in the Ozarks cultivating relationships within network of handicrafters in the Ozarks region and nationally   Program Director, College for Living, Lifestyles, Inc., AR  The “College for Living” is a basic education, employment, and life skills program component of Lifestyles, Inc. a non-profit serving adults with mental and physical disabilities.   * recognize the lived realities of adults living with disabilities * develop curriculum for individual and group training sessions in a variety of skill areas * provide evaluation and progress reports of participants * develop relationships with local employers and host job training sites * supervise staff job trainers * coordinate participant schedules * fund raising and non-profit foundation development * recruit and sustain activities with volunteers * develop vocational goals with students * provide monthly activity calendars for the organization * conduct time studies * write reports, support plans, and progress notes * bill public schools and Medicare for services provided * update client files * organize and clean-up facility * maintain client confidentiality | |  |
|  | Program Specialist and Head Counselor, NOARK Girl Scout Council, AR  **Program Specialist develops, implements, and evaluates thematic programming for resident campers.****Head Counselor supervises both youth campers and adult staff members in a residential camp setting.**   * liaison between the camp director and other staff members: scheduling, fielding questions, modelling girl scouting culture, conflict resolution, and settling disputes * planning, production, and clean-up of daily activities, classes, trips, and special events * general maintenance of camp property includes cleaning units, setting up tents, inspecting property/ equipment, inventory and requisition of equipment/supplies, building/clearing trails and walkways, building benches, and building fences/pens for farm animals * teaching outdoor skills and abilities * educating about and promoting connections to the natural environment * cultivating positive mental, emotional, and spiritual attitudes of girl scouts | |  |
| Memberships & Affiliations | | | |
|  | | * MSU United Students for Fair Trade, President * American Anthropological Association, member * National Association for Interpretation, member * Arkansas Master Naturalists, volunteer * Project Learning Tree, educator * Project WET, educator * Project WILD, educator * University of Arkansas Fulbright College Senior Scholar * Girl Scouting USA, volunteer | |