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EDUCATION

- American University, School of International Service** Washington, DC
M.A. in Global Environmental Policy, 3.97 GPA May 2013
- Relevant Coursework: Policy Analysis for Global Environmental Politics, Ecohydrology, Environmental Science, Urban Development, Environmental Economics
- Baldwin-Wallace College (currently Baldwin Wallace University)** Berea, Ohio
B.A. in Political Science & History, 3.87 GPA December 2009
- Relevant Coursework: Political Analysis, Comparative Politics, American Government
- Kent State University** Geneva, Switzerland
Semester Abroad: Major Curriculum Coursework Spring 2009
- Relevant Coursework: International Organizations, European Politics, Human Rights
 - International Economic Relations Intern, International Commission of Jurists

RELATED EXPERIENCE

- Cleveland Special Events Corporation** Cleveland, OH
Project & Volunteer Manager, 2014 Gay Games Cleveland + Akron
- Supervises and works with Volunteer Coordinator to recruit, register, train, and manage 4,000 volunteers in the months before and during the week of the 2014 Gay Games.
 - Utilizes Wrike project management software to track and manage the comprehensive project plan for the largest LGBT multi-sport event in the world.
 - Acts as primary point of contact on staff for the Board of Directors of the 2014 Gay Games.
 - Oversees all internal financial procedures, including purchase orders, invoices, accounts payable, company credit cards, check deposits, and mailing of payments to vendors.
 - Created and leads sustainability effort for 2014 Gay Games, coordinating with operations and development departments to recruit and engage with sponsors and vendors.
- American University, School of International Service** Washington, DC
Faculty Assistant, Global Environmental Politics Program Aug. 2011-June 2013
- Partnered on research projects exploring the environmental dynamics of the conflict in Syria and how the United Nations addresses environmental issues in post-conflict contexts.
 - Managed and coordinated logistics for workshop bringing together humanitarian actors and donor organizations for grant program funded by the United States Institute of Peace.
 - Recruited, trained, and supervised two undergraduate research assistants in order to complete textual analysis of United Nations reports from post-conflict states.
- Environmental Law Institute** Washington, DC
Research Intern, Post-Conflict Natural Resource Management Project Nov. 2011-Feb. 2013
- Assisted in the management of the Livelihoods Volume of [seven-volume research project](#) on Post-Conflict Peacebuilding and Natural Resource Management, including tracking progress of each chapter, coordinating with volume editors, and troubleshooting issues that arise.
 - Participated in fact-checking, editing, and developing text for chapters in Livelihoods Volume and Livelihoods chapter in Synthesis Volume.
- British Embassy in the United States** Washington, DC
Research Intern, Energy, Environment & Resource Security Division June-August 2012
- Completed a report for Embassy staff that detailed the projected impacts of climate change and its national security implications for the United States.
 - Provided periodic updates to DC Embassy staff and London on U.S. EPA regulations.

The Council of Smaller Enterprises (COSE)
Product Coordinator, Energy Programs
Energy Consultant (Remote from Washington, DC)

Cleveland, Ohio
March 2010-July 2011
July-December 2011

- Engaged, one-on-one, with member businesses to provide information and support on sustainability, energy efficiency, and storm water management issues.
- Assisted in the completion, management, and oversight of more than 200 small business applications to FirstEnergy's energy efficiency rebate and incentives programs.
- Participated in the execution of an organizational research project to create an [Energy Resource Guide](#) for small businesses.
- Helped manage energy savings programs for over 13,000 COSE member businesses and employees, enabling participants to save hundreds of thousands of dollars on energy costs.

City Year Cleveland
Corps Member, RPM Initiatives Team

Cleveland, Ohio
August 2005-June 2006

- Served as Public Relations/Media Coordinator for the RPM Initiatives Team, producing external newsletters, press releases, and press kits.
- Coordinated recruitment and registration of Camp City Year 2006, a spring break day camp for over 300 first to fifth graders.
- Planned and supervised service day in which more than 100 volunteers painted 50 rooms at three sites in Cleveland's Fairfax neighborhood.
- Created and managed databases in Microsoft Access to collect and record service data and project evaluations.

ACTIVITIES & HONORS

- 4 Miles 4 Water Advisory Committee; Marketing Committee, [Drink Local. Drink Tap., Inc.](#)
- Member, Environmental Peacebuilding Working Group (Washington, DC)
- Member, United Nations Association of the National Capital Area
- Recipient, AmeriCorps Education Award
- Second place, Center for International Policy [Student National Security Policy Blog Contest](#)
- Participant, 2010 Sustainable Cleveland 2019 Summit
- Vice President, Pi Sigma Alpha - Political Science Honors Society
- Dr. Cornelius D. Penner Memorial Award (History)
- Phi Alpha Theta - History Honors Society
- Dayton C. Miller Honors Society

RESEARCH & PRESENTATIONS

- *Disasters as Conflict Triggers: A New Framework for Analysis in Conflict-Affected and Post-Conflict States*. Paper presented at the Symposium on Development & Human Security, American University School of International Service, Washington, DC (March 2013).
- *Breaking the Conflict Trap: On the Factors Contributing to Civil War Recurrence*. Paper presented at the George Mason University Graduate Student Research Conference, Arlington, VA (March 2013).
- *The Politics of Disaster Response: Disaster Diplomacy and the Responsibility to Protect after Cyclone Nargis*. Completed for American University School of International Service, Washington, DC (April 2013). Available at <http://www.disasterdiplomacy.org/pb/kovachnargis2013.pdf>.

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Advanced Excel
- Microsoft Project
- Google Drive/Docs
- Advanced Word
- Adobe DreamWeaver
- SPSS
- PowerPoint
- Adobe InDesign
- EndNote
- Microsoft Access
- Adobe Acrobat Pro
- Twitter

