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EDUCATION

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE, New London, Connecticut, USA

Bachelor of Arts, May 2017

Majors: Psychology, Art

Overall GPA: 3.55

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Coral Restoration Foundation, Key Largo, FL

May 10, 2021 – August 27th, 2021

Intern

- Paid internship focusing on growing and out-planting critically endangered Elkhorn and Staghorn coral species in an effort to repopulate the Florida Reef Tract
- Learning crucial techniques for growing coral, cleaning nursery trees, and effectively out-planting
- Planned internship project to shoot and produce a short documentary focusing on unsustainable human practices in Florida that have killed coral populations and the ways in which local people can take action to help save the reef

OFAUNA, Concord, NH

Launched: March 29th, 2021

Owner & Designer

- Launched hand-drawn marine life rashguard brand made from recycled materials
- Designed all rashguards, graphics, social media pages and online store website.
- The site uses videos and designs to help educate individuals about the need for ocean respect and protection
- Fact pages about each of the marine life species represented on the rashguards provide individuals with the opportunity to learn how they can personally take action to protect these species.
- OFAUNA collaborates with conservation organizations to donate 10% of profits to their cause
- Online store received over 1,000 global online sessions within first five days of launch

One Blue Ocean, Global

July 2020 – Present

Creative Collective

- Scouted by CEO of One Blue Ocean to be a part of non-profit's Creative Collective
- In charge of learning how to use TikTok as an effective storytelling platform for ocean protection
- Participate in monthly creative collective meetings to enhance non-profit and discuss next steps

One Ocean Diving, Oahu, Hawaii

March 2020 – April 2020 (Cancelled)

Research Intern

- Responsible for giving safety and bio briefings to guests before dives
- In charge of data input on daily charters
- Contributed to basic shark biology information for proposed App
- Participated in weekly research meetings and presentations
- Responsible for creating One Ocean Research social media posts
- Outlined video capstone project

Aggressor Fleet, Tiger Beach, Bimini, Nassau, Eleuthera, and Exumas, Bahamas

December 2018 – July 2019

*Dive Master/
Shark Guide*

- Responsible for leading guests on dives, giving dive briefings, and filling tanks
- Onboard videographer and photographer
- Supervised guests in the water with up to six species of shark
- Operated and monitored boat engines, compressors, water maker, and generators
- Supervised guests at all times in and out of the water
- Helmed the main vessel and chase boat on a regular basis
- Responsible for a wide variety of interpersonal interactions

Aggressor Fleet, Silver Bank, Dominican Republic

January 2018 – April 2018

Whale Guide / Chef

- Responsible for keeping guests safe during in water Atlantic Humpback whale encounters
- Gained in and out of water experience spotting whales and recognizing safe encounters

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- Supervision of 18 guests in the water and in the chase boats
- Gained boating experience including taking the helm, tying knots, and checking moorings

Aggressor Fleet, Providenciales, Turks and Caicos September 2017 – July 2018
Head Chef

- Responsible for feeding 24 guests five meals daily, including addressing dietary restrictions
- Managed wait staff
- In charge of ordering all menu and non-menu stock items
- Trained Sous Chef
- Gained boating experience including deck, engine room, and wheel house watch, as well as handling moorings and lines

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Seven Stars Bakery, Pawtucket, RI January 2020-February 2020
Bread Shaper

- Gained position following permanent closure of Olga's Cup & Saucer
- Responsible for shaping hundreds of loaves of artisan bread each day
- Learned pastry shaping techniques
- Gained efficiency techniques with both pastry and bread production

Olga's Cup and Saucer, Providence, RI September 2019 – Permanently closed December 2019
Pastry Chef

- Responsible for baking off all pastry items for daily menu
- In charge of overseeing, baking, and shipping of all wholesale orders
- Gained bulk quantity bread baking experience
- Responsible for baking and keeping inventory of all bakery's pastry needs
- In charge of opening bakery and front of house set up

University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI Summer 2016
Research Assistant

- Identified and described how Tribal arts can be used in risk communication
- Interviewed tribal members to gather information about environmental health and stewardship
- Incorporated health outreach projects into the Narragansett tribe's powwow to improve environmental health literacy

SKILLS, CERTIFICATIONS, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Computer skills: Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint

Design skills: Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator

Videography Editing Skills: Final Cut Pro and Premiere Pro

Photography Editing Skills: Adobe Lightroom and Photoshop

Certifications:

PADI

Received: November 2018

Dive Master (300+ dives)

Professional Yachtmaster Training USA

Received: November 2017

STCW Basic Training

Climate Reality Project

Received: July 2020

Climate Reality Leader

FAA

Received: January 2021

Drone Pilot

Additional Information:

- Designed personal website and portfolio March 2020
- Commissioned to design business logo April 2020
- Personal small business *OFAUNA* became an LLC April 2020
- Personal marine life photographs and videos have been used by social media accounts including:
 - @envoy.cull

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- @aggressoradventures
- @graceshorevillas
- @oneoceandiving
- @oneoceanconservation
- @savetheturtlesinternational

LEADERSHIP, HONORS, & AWARDS

- Climate Reality Concord Chapter**, Concord, NH August 2020 – Present
Chapter Leader
- Helped to create Climate Reality chapter in Concord.
 - Participate in bi-monthly meetings with other leaders discussing what climate concerns New Hampshire needs to combat
 - Currently working to help New Hampshire break free from plastic through educating politicians on plastic and its direct correlation to the climate crisis to work towards greener policies
- Sustainable Ocean Alliance**, Global Community August 2020 – Present
Ocean Leader
- Part of the global SOA community
 - Currently participating in the *Unmasking Plastics* Ocean Learning Lab
- Environment America**, New England Sector October 2020 – Present
Voices for Our Oceans Member
- Invited to be a part of the national initiative to speak to politicians about the need for policies that will protect ocean health and marine life
- The Intersectionality of the Climate Crisis in the U.S.**, Online Event September 2020
Webinar Host
- Hosted my first webinar as a climate reality leader about the climate crisis, focusing on the intersectionality of racial and environmental injustice in the U.S.
- The Story of Plastic**, Online Event September 2020
Webinar Host
- Hosted a screening and discussion about the Story of Plastic, including steps individuals can take to fight against the plastic crisis
- Our Amazing Oceans**, Concord, NH August 2020
Webinar Panelist
- Invited to be on a panel for a webinar titled, “The Next Generation of Ocean Conservation”, with two other young adult panelists working in ocean conservation
 - Spoke about my videography and the importance of ocean advocacy and conservation through visual storytelling
- Environmentalists for Joe**, Concord, NH June 2020
Webinar Panelist
- Invited to be on a panel with two other environmentalists to discuss the importance of voting in the upcoming election
 - Developed a slideshow detailing the importance of communication and the intersections between environmental and social justice
 - Facilitated a discussion about the ways in which conservationists and all individuals can play a political part in ensuring positive future for our oceans, our Earth, and all people
- Oceanic Global Short Film Festival**, Houston, Texas September 2020
- Submitted a short film titled, “The Beauty That Lies Below” to the Oceanic Global Short Film Festival, featuring a compilation of marine life encounters from around the world.
- Houston Underwater Film Festival**, Houston, Texas January 2020
- Submitted a short film titled, “Best of the Bahamas” that was selected for the Houston Underwater Film Festival that showcases the best diving in and around the Bahamas. Viewing and judging will take place in September 2020