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EDUCATION

- Hennepin County Medical Center**, Paramedic Program May 2014-May 2015
Minneapolis, MN
- Trained to care for patients and manage medical emergencies in the pre-hospital setting
- University of California (UC) Berkeley**, College of Letters and Science Sep 2008-May 2012
Berkeley, CA
- BA in Peace and Conflict Studies, graduated with Honors
 - Thesis: "Facing Existential Risk: How the US Survived the Atom Bomb and the Ozone Hole"
- School for International Training**, Regional Integration, Development and Social Change Program Aug-Dec 2010
Buenos Aires, AR
- Thesis: "El Camino Largo de Integración Regional de Defensa y Seguridad"

EXPERIENCE

- International Medical Corps**, Program Manager, Ambulance Coordinator, Logistics Officer Nov 2015-Jul 2016
Conakry, GU
- Guinea: Managed post-Ebola health systems strengthening and survivor care programs
 - Directed five-person team of doctors and biologists to develop a formalized laboratory specimen referral network for effective epidemic disease surveillance
 - Facilitated delivery of medical and psychosocial care to Ebola survivors
 - Implemented grants, trained staff, designed budgets, liaised with partners and reported to donors
 - Liberia: Led a team of sixteen staff (nurses, hygienists, drivers) to operate three Ebola ambulances Dec 2014-Jan 2015
Gbanga, LR
 - Collaborated with county health officers, community leaders and local clinicians to safely transport suspected Ebola patients to the Bong County Ebola Treatment Unit
 - Supervised personal protective equipment use, decontamination and pre-hospital patient care
 - Philippines: Procured and tracked supplies for field sites in response to Typhoon Haiyan Nov-Dec 2013
Tacloban, PH
 - Organized medical equipment and pharmaceuticals, measured usage and forecasted demand
- CrowdRX**, Paramedic, Emergency Medical Technician Sep 2013, 2014, 2015
Black Rock City, NV
- Screened and treated patients at Burning Man's Rampart Urgent Care Clinic
 - Provided advanced life support for the critically sick and injured
 - Supported nurses and doctors to give primary and emergency care to 3,000+ people per event
- North Memorial Ambulance Service**, Emergency Medical Technician Sep 2013-May 2015
Minneapolis, MN
- Delivered basic life support, compassionate care and safe transportation to and from hospitals
 - Responded to emergencies, examined and treated patients, operated radios, drove ambulance
 - Assisted paramedics in advanced medical procedures
- The Bridge for Youth**, Volunteer Sep 2013-May 2015
Minneapolis, MN
- Counseled teenagers experiencing physical and emotional trauma, answered crisis call line
 - Led sexual health workshop, guided safe and open discussion, provided clear information
- Camp Tawonga**, Wilderness Leader, Medical Assistant May-Aug 2012, 2013
Groveland, CA
- Administered quality health care to 400 campers and staff, taught kids wilderness first aid
 - Guided international travel adventure for teenagers, operated high ropes challenge course
- Argentine International Relations Council (CARI)**, Intern Apr-Jul 2011
Buenos Aires, AR
- Translated news briefs, organized public events, contributed to online blog
- Center for Strategic and International Studies**, Intern May-Aug 2010
Washington, DC
- Researched global population, resource and security trends, planned policy debate workshops
- The Advocates for Human Rights**, Intern May-Aug 2009
Minneapolis, MN
- Investigated human rights violations in humanitarian crises, wrote fact sheets and news briefs
 - Edited a 500-page report to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Liberia

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TRAINING

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**, Ebola Safety Training Course for Healthcare Workers Nov 2014
▪ Studied Ebola outbreak control, simulated patient care activities with full protective equipment Anniston, AL
- Center for Domestic Preparedness**, Emergency Medical Operations, Hospital Emergency Response Dec 2012, Apr 2014
▪ Practiced patient triage, decontamination, treatment and transport for mass casualty incidents Anniston, AL
- UC San Francisco Global Health Sciences**, Complex Humanitarian Emergency Leadership Program Apr 2013
▪ Role-played UN World Food Programme field officer in scenarios based on Syrian refugee crisis San Francisco, CA
- Wilderness Medicine Institute**, Wilderness Upgrade for Medical Professionals Mar 2013
▪ Trained to make difficult medical decisions, improvise and provide care in remote settings San Francisco, CA
- Latin American Center for Disaster Medicine**, Second Congress on Health and Disasters Mar 2013
▪ Surveyed Cuba's public health and emergency management systems Havana, CU

LANGUAGES

English - Native

Spanish - Professional

French - Professional

SKILLS

Geographic Information Systems

- ArcGIS Online Platform

Health Information Systems

- DHIS 2, CommCare, mHero

Communications and Outreach

- Social media, Event planning

PRESS

- Doctors for Global Health**, 21st Annual General Assembly - Speaker Jul 2016
▪ "Ebola Survivor Care and Disease Surveillance in West Africa: Is a patient-rights approach viable?"
- Center for Strategic and International Studies**, New Perspectives in Foreign Policy Vol. 11 - Author Jun 2016
▪ "Climate Neutral Disaster Response: Challenges and Opportunities"
- The Undergraduate Awards**, Highly Commended Essayist Sep 2013
▪ "Military Security and Environmental Degradation"

REFERENCES

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