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Key Highlights

- Expertise in transforming important but ineffective technical documents (procedures. white papers, etc.) into usable and efficient ones, or writing ones where none exist.
- Expertise in analyzing and reporting on the evolving relationships between business, governments, NGOs, and interest groups in easy to understand language and visuals.
- Expertise in leading and coordinating the work of committees, teams and volunteers to facilitate successful completion of projects or events.

Education

Bachelor of Arts - Policy Studies

2016 - 2022

Calgary, AB

- Mount Royal University (MRU)
 - Elected Student President for terms 2020-21 and 2021-22
 - French (Intermediate Level), German (Beginner Level)

Work Experience

President of the Executive Council & Chief Officer Students' Association of Mount Royal University

April 2020 - April 2022

Calgary, AB

- Reported undisrupted departmental budget and policy compliance by holding regular check-ins, ensuring sustained confidence from the Board of Governors.
- Revised volunteer management procedures based on the input of stakeholders and best practices to address efficiency and recruitment gaps.
- Optimized reporting procedures by systemizing reporting content to improve the lines of accountability and communication between the Council and the Board of Governors.

Governor, Councilor & Student Representative

April 2020 - April 2022

Board of Governors & General Faculties Council, MRU

Calgary, AB

- Persuaded the university admin and faculty by highlighting shared ground, avoiding a potential faculty walkout and strike during a tense collective bargaining process.
- Campaigned for improved communication strategies to students by preparing persuasive board-level speeches to assist students navigating university during the Pandemic.

Delegate April 2020 - April 2022

Council of Alberta University Students

Ottawa, ON

- Convinced the council to integrate and prioritize Indigenous student interests in the organization's strategic plan by building board support, furthering equity goals.
- Persuaded the Minister of Advanced Education to invest \$5 million in Indigenous university student support centers to increase Indigenous student graduation rates.

Director of Policy and Equity Diversity & Inclusion

April 2020 - April 2022 Calgary, AB

Canadian Alliance of Student Associations

• Implemented "Gender-Based Analysis +" by gaining membership support to ensure the marginalized voices are reflected in the organization's policy development process.

 Created an "in brief" version of the organization's policy book to improve quick comprehension of the organizations in depth policy position statements for leaders.

Co-Founder, Lead Coordinator & Research Associate

Otahpiaaki: Indigenous Beauty, Fashion & Design

May 2016 - February 2020 Calgary, AB

- Partnered with dozens of clients, businesses and nonprofits to produce high quality Indigenous-based workshops, talks, exhibits and fashion runways.
- Recruited and coordinated nearly 100 volunteers to achieve successful fashion shows.
- Identified barriers to Indigenous economic development in a research paper that won "Best Paper" at the International Social Innovation Research Conference in 2018.
- Awarded "Indigenous Youth Leader" certificate from the Senate of Canada for this work.

Technical Writer & Lesson Plan Developer

May 2016 - May 2017

Faculty of Social Innovation, Mount Royal University

Calgary, AB

- Designed lesson plans for Alberta K-12 on technical concepts from the documentary and from Blackfoot culture and history, furthering reconciliation education to Alberta students.
- Clarified and educated colleagues on appropriate Indigenous relations to ensure respectful and adequate cultural research.

Volunteer Experience

Member & Secretary, Board Hillhurst United Church

June 2021 - Present

Calgary, AB

• Added objectives to the Board agenda template (i.e. "for information", "for discussion", and "for decision"), increasing board effectiveness and clarity.

Activist & Lead Organizer

September 2015 - May 2018

Voices, a Coalition of 2SLGBTQIA+ People of Colour

Calgary, AB

- Collaborated with Calgary Police Services on how to improve their Diversity, Equity and Inclusion policies and training to increase community trust.
- Implemented a basic leadership structure for the board to ensure effective advocacy.

Governor, Student Governing Board

December 2015 - May 2016

Students' Association of Mount Royal University

Calgary, AB

• Learned about (and monitored) the complex business activities of this multimillion-dollar, nonprofit charity and student association, increasing professional development.

Member, Planning & Implementation Committee

September 2014 - April 2017 Calgary, AB

Students' Association of Mount Royal University

- Participated in the planning and execution of various events to help build community.
- Monitored service centres for abuse and a "safer" environment, earning a "Gender & Sexual Diversity Award" at the association's student award night in 2016 for this work.

Councilor & Secretary. Youth Chief & Council

January 2010 - March 2011 Brocket, AB

Piikani Child & Family Services

• Planned and executed a "writers challenge" event for Piikani Nation youth to inspire.

• Achieved the Governor General's Academic Medal for balancing this community volunteerism while maintaining excellent high school grades.