

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS: AFRICA

POTENTIAL TOPICS

- Culture & Society
- Economic Development
- Global Public Health
- HIV/AIDS
- International Trade
- China and Africa
- International/Regional Politics
- International Development
- African History
- Women & Gender
- Food/Water Security
- Refugees & Vulnerable Populations
- Humanitarian Aid

KEY SKILLS

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| Research | Assessment |
| Problem Solving | Writing |
| Communication | Editing |
| Analysis | Critical Thinking |
| Evaluation | Program Dev. |
| Presentation | Organization |

SAMPLE OCCUPATIONS

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| Research Assistant | Program Officer |
| Consultant | Project Coordinator |
| Program Assistant | M & E Associate |
| Grant Writer | Area Specialist |
| Aid Worker | Media Officer |
| Policy Analyst | Development Officer |

SAMPLE SECTORS & WORK SETTINGS

Public

- Federal Agency
- Capitol Hill Office
- Foreign Service
- IGOs

Private

- Private Security Company
- Development Contractor
- International Bank
- Consulting Firm

Non-Profit /NGO

- Think Tank
- Humanitarian Aid NGO
- Development NGO
- Foundation

ONLINE RESOURCES

SAMPLE EMPLOYERS

- [Accenture](#)
- [ACDI/VOCA](#)
- [Africa Center for Strategic Studies](#)
- [African Development Bank](#)
- [Aga Khan Foundation](#)
- [American Institutes for Research](#)
- [Ashoka](#)
- [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#)
- [Center for Global Development](#)
- [Chemonics](#)
- [CIEE](#)
- [Citibank](#)
- [Corporate Council on Africa](#)
- [Council on Foreign Relations](#)
- [Creative Associates International](#)
- [Deloitte](#)
- [Freedom House](#)
- [Fund for Global Human Rights](#)
- [Human Rights Watch](#)

- [Innovations for Poverty Action](#)
- [Intern Africa](#)
- [International Center for Journalists](#)
- [Oxfam America](#)
- [Partners for Democratic Change](#)
- [Peace Corps](#)
- [Population Services International](#)
- [The Africa Society](#)
- [The Aspen Institute](#)
- [The Global Fund](#)
- [The One Campaign](#)
- [UNAIDS](#)
- [United Nations at Nairobi](#)
- [US Department of State](#)
- [USAID](#)
- [Wilson Center](#)
- [Women for Women International](#)
- [World Bank](#)
- [World Cocoa Foundation](#)
- [World Learning](#)

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- [AIESEC](#)
- [Amnesty International](#)
- [International Affairs Society](#)
- [Global Health Network](#)
- [Global Language Network - GW](#)
- [GW Humanitarian Mapping Society](#)
- [GW Strategic Crisis Simulation](#)
- [GW UNICEF](#)
- [ONE at GW](#)
- [Organization for Int'l Development](#)
- [Sigma Iota Rho](#)
- [Student Global AIDS Campaign](#)

JOB SEARCH

- www.idealists.org
- www.indeed.com
- www.devex.com/jobs
- ngojobboard.org
- dc.linktank.com/jobs
- www.internmatch.com

VOLUNTEER IN AFRICA

- [African Impact](#)
- [Cape Intern](#)
- [Cross-Cultural Solutions](#)
- [Edge of Africa](#)
- [Global Routes](#)
- [Global Service Corps](#)
- [Global Volunteer Network](#)
- [Volunteer in Africa](#)
- [World Teach](#)



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EDUCATION

The George Washington University, Elliott School of International Affairs, Washington, DC December 2016
BA in International Affairs, Concentration in Africa, Minor in Anthropology, GPA: 3.2
Relevant Coursework: Africa: Problems and Prospects, US Foreign Policy in Africa, Cultures of Africa

EXPERIENCE

World Learning, Exchange and Training Unit, Washington, DC January 2015 – Present
Intern, Africa Division

- Research via internet and archived resources to support preparation of training programs
- Contribute to the development of program itineraries and course outlines
- Conduct project briefings for visitors on program requirements and cultural expectations
- Prepare briefing books and program materials for training modules

American Red Cross, Washington, DC August 2013 – Present
Public Affairs Volunteer

- Maintain database of disaster relief volunteers to update and organize listserv
- Write and send weekly newsletters for active volunteers via listserv with an average 60% open rate
- Update Twitter feed and Facebook page with daily news posts; increased Facebook followers by 25%
- Create monthly marketing flyers to promote disaster relief drives using Adobe and Publisher

Peace Corps Headquarters, Washington, DC January – May, August – December 2014
Intern, Advocacy

- Created and maintained Excel database of returned Peace Corps volunteers working in advocacy
- Attended meetings on Capitol Hill, took notes, and synthesized and reported on meeting content
- Scheduled and organized logistics of advocacy meetings taking place at Headquarters
- Wrote and edited policy memos, informational documents, and internal communications

Cross Cultural Solutions, Kilimanjaro, Tanzania May – August 2014
Volunteer Tutor and Teacher

- Taught two weekly English classes to a group of 10-year-old Tanzanian children, utilizing games, songs, and contests
- Tutored four children a week individually on English pronunciation and writing
- Lived in a fully immersed homestay with a Tanzanian family and developed Swahili language abilities

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Competitor, GW Equestrian Team, January 2013 – Present
Social Media Chair, GW UNICEF, August 2013 – Present
Member, ONE at GW, August 2013 – Present

SKILLS

Language: French (Professional Working Proficiency)
Swahili (Limited Working Proficiency)
Computer: Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe, Microsoft Publisher, and Social Media Platforms

SAMPLE RESUME



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