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Work Experience

Graduate Research Assistant | WA Center for Real Estate Research | Seattle, WA | Sept 2016 – present

- Gather data for publically available, statewide Apartment Market Survey
- Research multi-family housing developments and ongoing construction across Washington state to ensure retention of a complete database
- Compile data for a publically available Washington State Housing Market Snapshot Report

Planning Division Intern | City of Santa Clara, Community Development Dept. | June 2016 – Sept 2016

- Evaluated development proposals for consistency with City Design Guidelines, Zoning Ordinance, and General Plan
- Communicated municipal policies and regulations to property owners, developers, architects, and engineers, requiring project revisions as necessary
- Presented projects at public meetings, including Architectural Review Committee and Historical & Landmarks Commission

Graduate Research Assistant | University of Washington | Seattle, WA | Oct 2015 – April 2016

- Graduate Research Assistant in the Institute for Hazards Mitigation Planning and Research
- Collaborated with university faculty and other students investigating the community, governmental, and international response to the 2015 Nepal earthquakes.

Building Inspection Intern | City of Santa Clara, Building Inspection Division | July 2012 – Sept 2015

- Performed necessary follow-up for all building and housing violations in the City including but not limited to: tracking permit and planning application progress, recommending cases for citation, and advising property owners regarding municipal requirements
- Prepared government documents for release for Freedom of Information Act Requests
- Issued Certificates of Occupancy to approved and inspected commercial units and buildings

Education

University of Washington Seattle, WA | Master of Urban Planning, MS in Real Estate | Planned Graduation 2017

Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA | Majors: Psychology & Ethnic Studies | Summa Cum Laude 2015

Leadership Positions

New Member Educator for Santa Clara PanHellenic | Fall 2013 – Winter 2014

- Led Junior PanHellenic Executive Council and served on PanHellenic Executive Council

Director of Finance for Alpha Phi – Zeta Gamma Chapter | Winter 2013 – Winter 2014

- Managed over \$250,000 in dues over the course of the year

Academic Achievements

Graduate School Top Scholar Award Recipient, University of Washington | 2015-2016 school year

- Non-service fellowship appointment, providing full funding for the year of study

Dean's List, Santa Clara University | 2011-2012, 2012-2013, and 2013-2014 school years

- GPA in the top 10% of academic class at Santa Clara University

Member of Phi Beta Kappa | Inducted Spring 2014

- One of only five people in Santa Clara University's class of 2015 to be inducted in spring 2014