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EDUCATION

- 2002-2003 State University of New York at Albany, Albany, NY
M.A. in English, May 2003. GPA: 4.0/4.0
- 1996-2000 Union College, Schenectady, NY
B.A. in English, minor in Chinese, June 2000; GPA: 3.8 /4.0
Departmental Honors
Summa Cum Laude
Term Abroad: Nanjing, China, fall 1998

Academic Honors:

- 1996 – 2000 Union College Dean's List
2000 *Phi Beta Kappa*
2000 David Brind Prize: for achievement in English literature at Union College

Research:

- 2000 Senior Honor's Thesis: '*Orneriness*' – *Subversive Compliance Methodologies from Plantation Places to Plantation Spaces in African-American Literature.*
- 1999 Research Assistant, Schiff Summer Research Fellowship: compiled annotations to Virginia Woolf's 1929 essay, *A Room of One's Own.*

Extracurricular Activities:

- 1996 – 2000 Guitarist, Union College Jazz Ensemble
1996 – 1998 Union College Rowing Team

WORK EXPERIENCE

- April 2007-present Assistant Press Secretary, New York State Senate Minority Leader Malcolm A. Smith, Albany, NY
- Write press releases, press statements, media advisories and op-eds for Senator Smith and other members of the Senate Minority Conference, leading to media coverage.
 - Organize issue-driven press conferences in which duties include: crafting media advisories and press releases; writing carefully messaged talking points; arranging for press conference participation by advocates, public interest groups, experts and other affected parties; briefing senators and other participants in preparation for press conference; managing the press event; and media outreach.
 - Brief Senator Smith in preparation for television, radio or print interviews.
 - Monitor for relevant news reports and press releases issued by other elected officials.
 - Field questions from reporters and develop contacts with media.
 - Escort Senator Smith and other senators during events where media may be present.
- 2006-2007 Communications Specialist, New York State Senate Minority Conference, Albany, NY
- Write press releases, op-ed pieces, newsletter copy, proclamations, and brochure articles on behalf of the New York State Senate Minority Conference's 27 senators.
 - Draft correspondence letters on behalf of state Senate Minority Leader David A. Paterson.

- Read morning news briefings to Senator Paterson on a rotating basis.
 - Design newsletters, brochures, and other graphic design projects for the Senate Minority Conference members.
- 2003-2006 Adjunct Lecturer, Plattsburgh State University, Plattsburgh, NY
Courses taught:
- Great Afro-American Literature (classroom and online formats)
- 2003-2006 Adjunct Lecturer, Champlain College, Burlington, VT
Courses taught:
- Critical Reading and Expository Writing I
 - Critical Reading and Expository Writing II (classroom and online formats)
 - First-Year Seminar
 - Introduction to Literature
 - English Composition
- 2001-present Founder and Board Member, *Salvage Magazine, Inc.*, Albany, NY
- Developed *Salvage Magazine, Inc.*, a quarterly not-for-profit literature and arts magazine based in New York's Capital Region. *Salvage* has a print circulation of 3,000.
 - Served on the *Salvage Magazine, Inc.*, boards of directors and editors. In that capacity, selected submissions (art, poetry, fiction, etc.) for publication and made business decisions such as allocations of funds.
 - Oversaw public relations for *Salvage*. Sought publicity from local media and solicited donations to fund publication of the magazine.
 - Organized events such as quarterly publication parties to celebrate the printing of each edition of the magazine.
- 2004-2005 Freelance Reporter, The Williston Observer, Williston, VT
- Wrote news stories for a weekly newspaper serving Williston, VT.
- 2002-2003 Teaching Assistant, State University of New York at Albany, Albany, NY
- Tutored students at the University's writing center. Conducted one-hour-long tutorials, teaching students how to write clearly and effectively.
 - Oversaw the writing-center-sponsored literature and arts 'zine, *Spell For Rain*. Advised undergraduates on production of the 'zine.
 - Conducted in-class presentations to undergraduates about the writing center and the basic steps for writing a research paper.
- 2000-2002 Reporter and News Editor, *The Spotlight Newspapers*, Delmar, NY
- Wrote news stories for a weekly newspaper serving southern Saratoga County, New York, and another newspaper serving Schenectady County, New York.
 - Assigned stories and photographs, wrote editorials, organized editorial material, performed page layout, and edited stories.
 - Attended public meetings and conducted interviews in-person and by phone.

COMPUTERS & LANGUAGE SKILLS

Computers: Microsoft Office Suite, HTML, Adobe PageMaker, Adobe Photoshop, Netscape, Internet Explorer, MS Access, MS Frontpage, Web CT, ANGEL Course Management Systems.

Languages: Proficiency in conversational Chinese and Spanish.