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EDUCATION

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, August 2001

Doctor of Philosophy in Higher Education (Education Policy)

Dissertation: State Tuition Policy Responses to the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, August 2003

Master of Arts in Politics

Thesis: The Politics Behind Tuition-Setting in Public Colleges and Universities

University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, August 1996

Master of Arts in Higher Education

Thesis: The Implications of Reunification on the German System of Higher Education

University of Richmond, Richmond, VA, May 1994

Bachelor of Arts in Leadership Studies; journalism minor and political science concentration

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Instructor, Department of Political Science

Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina, March 2008 until present

- Teaches two sections of Introduction to American Government

Project Director, Riley Institute of Government, Politics and Public Leadership

Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina, November 2004 until present

- Coordinates a statewide research student on public education in South Carolina. This large-scale project, funded by a \$600,000 William and Flora Hewlett Foundation out of California, utilizes qualitative and quantitative research methodologies.
- Coordinates the Emerging Public Leaders program, a public leadership program for high school seniors with a public service project component.

Director of Leadership Programs, Dean of Students Office

Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Virginia, July 2003 to January 2004

- Headed academic and co-curricular initiatives related to leadership development for students
- Served as Director of the Susan F. Davenport Global Leadership Program, a program that created a programmatic framework to ensure students developed the requisite talent and global perspective for leadership
- Assisted with student retention efforts through service on the Retention Committee and through conducting periodic focus group research
- Served as the certified campus administrator of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI)

Director of New Student Programs, Dean of Students Office

Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Virginia, July 2001 to July 2003

- Organized and implemented the New Student and Transfer Student Orientation Program and the Parent and Family Orientation Program.
- Analyzed data from student withdraw surveys and makes written recommendations to the college community about retention enhancement

- Oversaw and facilitated the Transitions program for new students, a program designed to prepare students for college (Topics covered include time management, choosing a major and planning for a career, study skills, stress management, college survival and keys to success, and learning styles.)
- Coordinated the New Student Seminar Series, a monthly program designed to help students adjust to college

Assistant to the President, President's Office

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, May 1999 to May 2001

- Wrote speeches and reports for the University President
- Worked on the creation and implementation of the University's long-range strategic plan
- Coordinated a three-day conference bringing together alumni leaders in the Internet industry for the purpose of intellectual discussion on the implications of the Internet and the University's future in the digital age
- Worked with the University Development Office on projects related to the University's billion-dollar capital campaign
- Served as a member of the President's senior staff team (attended senior staff meetings, Board of Visitors meetings, legislative forums, and other functions on behalf of the President's Office)

Doctoral Intern, Center for the Study of Higher Education

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, August 1998 to August 1999

- Assisted Center faculty with research and teaching
- Served as editor of *The Quarterly*, the Center's newsletter
- Coordinated professional development programs for Center students, faculty, and staff

Admissions Counselor, Admissions Office

Columbia College, Columbia, SC, August 1996 to August 1998

- Counseled prospective students and their parents on admission status, financial aid and scholarship opportunities, registration and course schedule, and choice of major
- Interviewed prospective students and made recommendations on the status of their admission
- Developed comprehensive training program for College's professional Admissions Staff
- Developed marketing and public relations strategies for assigned territories
- Conducted student recruitment and college awareness presentations

Instructor, University 101 Freshman Seminar

The University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

- Co-taught a freshman seminar course which addressed topics such as: critical thinking, research and study skills, current events, grammar and writing, computer skills, and communication and presentation skills

HONORS AND AWARDS

Named one of **Greenville's Best and Brightest** by *Greenville Magazine*, 2007

Named a **YWCA Dream Achiever**, 2007

Curry School Dissertation Award, 2001, University of Virginia

Raven Society, 2000, University of Virginia

Jay L. Chronister Student Academic Award, 1999-2000, University of Virginia

Governor's Fellowship, 1998-1999 Academic Year, University of Virginia

Paul P. Fidler Fellow (Outstanding Graduate Assistant), 1996, University of South Carolina

Omicron Delta Kappa, 1995, University of South Carolina

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND ACTIVITIES

Certified Administrator, Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI), *Certified in August 2003 by the Center for Applications of Psychological Type*

Public Affairs Committee Chair, Junior League of Greenville

Member and Committee Chairperson, Circle of the ImagineNation (Children's Museum)

Endowment Board Member, Greenville Technical College Charter School

