**Curriculum Vitae**

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**EDUCATION**

West Jessamine High School (August 2004- May 2008)

High School Diploma

Treasurer of French Club

Future Farmers of America

National Honor Society Member

Skills U.S.A member- Culinary leaders

Softball Team

Southside Technical School (August 2006-May 2008)

Serv-Safe education

Classical culinary training

Emergency Medical Training Professionals (May 2009- December 2009)

National & State EMT-B Certification

CPR Certification

Blood borne Illness Certification

Bluegrass Community and Technical College (2010-2015)

Associate’s Degree in Natural Science

Dean’s List 2014-2015

University of Massachusetts-Boston (2016-2018)

BA with Distinction in Environmental Science and Sustainability (2018)

Tau Sigma Epsilon Honor Society (2017)

Golden Key Honor Society (2017)

2019 Talloires Award for accomplishments in the sustainability field

University of Kentucky Graduate School (2019-current)

MA Geography

2019-2020 Geo. Graduate Student Union Representative

2019-2020 Graduate Student Committee

2019-2020 Inclusivity committee

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

University of Kentucky (August 2019-current)

As part of a graduate school teaching fellowship, I am a paid teaching assistant for the Geography Department. GEO431 (Political Ecology) and GEO 316 (Sustainable Development) were my assigned courses for Fall 2019.

Seedleaf (January 2018-current)

Compost coordinator and program director for Seedleaf's commercial "Compost Partners" program and "Compost Carpool" residential subscription service. Position includes leading educational workshops, volunteer groups, meetings with Lexington’s Vice-Mayor, and executing online marketing strategies.

Sphinx Academy (May 2018-August 2018)

High school level educator. Created and taught a course titled “Sustainability: Gender and Socioeconomic Status in Appalachia” for Juniors and Seniors.

Boston Green Blog (December 2017-January 2019)

Executive Editor and Owner of a for-profit environmental blog established in 2010.

Bootstrap Compost (October 2017-January 2019)

Renewable diversion specialist picking up and processing compost for over 2,000 residential and commercial clients in and around Boston, MA.

University of Massachusetts-Boston (Spring 2017-January 2019)

Teaching assistant for an Ethics in IT course.

Oath Craft Pizza (January 2016-October 2017)

Corporate level manager and performance recovery specialist. Worked closely with the President and CEO, opened 7 stores and hired and trained hundreds of employees and managers. Created operations policies, innovated unique flavor profiles of recipes, and processed cost analysis for menu pricing and initiated company sustainability platform.

PBHA's Native American Youth Enrichment Program (July 2017)

Sustainability educator and compost instructor for a summer camp hosted by Umass Boston's School for The Environment

Clean Water Action Massachusetts (May 2017-May 2018)

Youth advisory board member and awardee of the 2018 Youth Leadership award. In this position, I worked in Senate and House solar energy bills aimed at raising and eventually lifting the net metering cap in Massachusetts. I provided testimony to both House and Senate committees on this bill.

Ames Street Deli (October 2015- January 2016)

Closing leader

Stella’s Kentucky Deli (April 2014-May 2015)

Kitchen staff

Haley House (May 2015 -September 2015) Unpaid

Developed Hugelkultur garden education program. Inaugural year farm advisor for the Thornton Street Haley House Farm. Participated in cooking and gardening classes for the McKinley School located in Boston, MA.

Game Stop (November 2012-April 2014)

Assistant Store Manager

Sonic Drive-in (October 2007- September 2013)

Assistant Store Manager

Subway (October 2007-September 2012)

Shift Manager

Byrd Energy LLC.(May 2004-August 2012)

Resource mapping and natural gas pipeline specialist. "Land man" duties as well as pipeline repairs and ditch digging in Clay county and Hazard county Kentucky. This work,although no longer aligning with my personal values, gave me an important professional and personal perspective in my career.

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

\*Statesman's KLTI Leadership Award for Culinary Arts (2007)

\*Future Farmers of America: Greenhand and Chapter Degree (2004-2005)

\*Bluegrass Community College Dean’s list (2010-2015)

\*University of Massachusetts Dean’s list (2017-2018)

\* 2018 Clean Water Action Youth Leadership Award

\* Tau Sigma Honor Society

\* Golden Key Honor Society

\* UMASS Boston Undergraduate Student Government Senator

\*Talloires Award for Sustainability

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS**

-Serv-Safe Certified

-CPR certified

-TIPS alcohol service training

-Profit and loss tracking, analytical processing, and growth planning

-Weekly payroll and tipped wage execution

-Inventory and product loss tracking

-Interviewing, hiring, training, weekly scheduling, disciplinary intervention, and employee termination

-Windows Office Suite/ Google Docs Suite

-Point of sale systems (Square, Toast, Switchboard etc.)

-Square Space and WordPress

-Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and bit.ly marketing

-Sustainability intervention and consulting

-Leading oral and visual presentations in a professional environment

**PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH**

ENVSCI498 Honors Thesis: “Gender and Environmental Justice: An Interdisciplinary Analysis of Activism in Appalachia and at Standing Rock”

**PRESENTATIONS**

April 24-27th, 2018 National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program, Washington D.C

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

\*Kentuckians for the Commonwealth (2014-current)

\*Women in Film and Video New England (2018-2019)

\*Southeastern Division of the American Association of Geographers (2019-2020)

**PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

\*Mercer County EMS (800 hours)

\*Haley House Soup Kitchen (400 hours)

\* Seedleaf (40 hours)

\*Emergency Medical Training Professionals (20 Hours)

\*Goodwill (50 hours)

\*High school volunteer program (50 hours)

\*Danville School for the Deaf (20 hours)