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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Results-oriented professional with a diverse background in public policy, government affairs, data analytics, and political science. Possesses strong quantitative and qualitative research skills, as well as a demonstrated ability to navigate complex policy and data environments. Experienced in monitoring and analyzing legislative, regulatory, and legal landscapes; drafting communication materials and research reports; establishing and developing long-term problem-solving relationships; and coordinating complex projects across cross-functional teams. Thrives when working in fast-paced spaces and collaborating with diverse stakeholders and ultimately seeking to advance a career at the intersection of public policy and analytics.

SKILLS

Critical Skills: Policy analysis, relational databases, data-driven research, strong persuasive and technical communication, data management
Soft Skills: Attention to detail, critical thinking, interpersonal communication, self-motivated, resourceful, intellectually curious, customer service
Applications: Programming (R, Python, SQL), GitHub, Microsoft Office (including VBA and Power Apps), G-Suite, GovTrack, Quorum, LexisNexis
Analytics: Statistical analysis (regression, clustering, predictive modeling), panel and multilevel modeling, data storytelling and visualization

EDUCATION

The George Washington University – Washington, DC
        M.A. Political Science
        Minor: Research Methodology

Michigan State University – East Lansing, MI
        B.A. Political Science-Prelaw

EXPERIENCE

Fiscal & Legislative Analyst | Michigan House Fiscal Agency
Lansing, MI (August 2024 – *present*)
- Conduct comprehensive analyses of pending legislation by comparing proposed bills with current law, describing the public policy issues being addressed, providing relevant background information, addressing the regulatory and legal environments, and communicating technical language.
- Monitor and report on the budgetary implications of state and national policy environments, as well as prepare legislative briefing materials and draft budget bills in coordination with legislators, legislative staff, executive branch officials, and private sector stakeholders.
- Provide confidential and nonpartisan expertise to members of the Michigan House of Representatives, the House Appropriations Committee, and other relevant legislative committees on matters related to local courts, criminal and juvenile justice, public safety, law enforcement, veterans affairs, and the Michigan National Guard.

Lead Jewelry Consultant | Signet Jewelers
Clinton Township, MI (March 2023 – August 2024)
- Successfully exceeded personal sales goals by 24% through effective client relationship management and personalized product recommendations, leading to a 10% boost in overall store revenue and 12% increase in warranty attachment rate.
- Actively collaborated with vendors and expert jewelers to actualize client preferences, resulting in a 27% increase in storewide year-over-year loose diamond and custom jewelry sales.
- Developed several lightweight applications using Microsoft Power Apps and Power Automate flows to streamline inventory management and other back-office operations, reducing time spent on repetitive tasks by nearly 20% and minimizing human-based errors.

Jewelry Consultant (May 2016 – June 2019)
- (See above.)

Graduate Researcher & Teaching Assistant | The George Washington University
Washington, DC (August 2020 – May 2023)
- Presented the results of multiple advanced research projects to panels of faculty and graduate students, communicating novel findings on public policy development, legal and regulatory decision-making, and the relationship between lobbyists and policymakers.
- Leveraged advanced programming skills in R, Python, and SQL to perform data collection, manipulation, cleaning, and visualization tasks to extract relevant information from complex datasets, supporting evidence-based research outcomes.
- Effectively instructed 6 undergraduate courses on research methodology and American government, resulting in 90th-percentile instructor evaluation scores and significant increases in course-wide grade averages, relative to previous semesters.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Wardrobe Consultant, Jos. A. Bank Clothiers (July 2019 – August 2020)

Course Assistant, Michigan State University (January 2019 – January 2020)

Legislative Intern, Michigan Senate (January – May 2016)