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Education

- Concordia College 2016 - present
- Bachelor of Arts — English Writing major | Communication Studies minor

Campus Events Involvement

Campus Events Commission

- **Lead Commissioner** 2019 - present
 - Coordinated the planning of over 70 campus-wide events and worked with other organizations on campus to enhance students experiences at Concordia
 - Served as a liaison between a Commissioner Team of 8 students, a committee of 25 students and working professionals in the Office of Student Engagement to implement successful and inclusive events.
 - Organized and led weekly Commissioner Team meetings in order to effectively delegate responsibilities as well as foster a positive team community.
- **Special Events Commissioner** 2018 - 2019
 - Led and worked as a role model for a group of 7 students while planning and implementing detailed campus-wide programming.
 - Assess student interests and gather information on programming, research current college programming trends, and collaborate with area colleges to provide programming that students would educate or entertain Concordia students
- **Special Events Committee Member** 2016 - 2018
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- **Committee Member of the Month** November, 2018
- **Rookie of the Year** 2016 - 2017

Student Government Involvement

Student Government Association

- **Senate Voting Member for Campus Events Commission** 2019 - present
 - Represented and advocated for all CEC members through genuine connection, deep listening, and intentional participation to meet as many of their needs and preferences as possible.
- **Integrative Learning Committee** 2019 - present
 - Sat on a committee of faculty and students with the goal of making connections across disciplines, uniting theory and practice, and enriching academic study with community engagement.

Campus Involvement

Djembe Intercultural Affairs Magazine

- **Managing Editor** 2019 - present
 - Worked as one of two managing editors to oversee a group of new editors and mentor them through the process of revising student work for a student magazine.
 - Worked closely with the Executive Editor to create a magazine with little to no errors, and fulfill our mission.

Concordia Choir Department

- **Chapel Choir Social Media Chair** 2018 - 2019
 - Built a social media profile for the Concordia Chapel Choir on Instagram to help extend our reach to students in the choir and on campus through pictures and stories to let them know what the choir was doing.
- **Cantabile Choir President** 2017 - 2018
 - Scheduled and assigned choir-related tasks to all members, as required.
 - Communicated with choir group members and informed them about upcoming choir recital events
 - Built and maintained positive relationships with members of the choir and faculty of the choral department.
- **Kantorei Choir Social Chair** 2016 - 2017
 - Assess the choirs interests and gather information on programming, then work with the events team to plan things for the choir to do together, in order to bond.

Trainings

Nonviolent Communication Training February, 2019

- Participated in an 18 hour training with peers, staff members, and faculty members to unlearn violent and unproductive thinking, language, and behavior in an attempt to better advocate for one's innate human needs and to cultivate empathy for others' needs as well.

Circle Keeper Training October, 2018

- A training rooted in indigenous practices, to facilitate dialogue while promoting space and listening as a way to learn how to better communicate with myself and with others.

Presentations

Redefining Event Failure Pending Approval

- This is meant to be presented at the National Conference of Campus Activities - Northern Plains Region. In this session I plan to talk about "failure." I will take a look at the events that I have considered to be failures and facilitate conversation with participants that would consider some of their events to be failures. I then will work to reassess folks mindset with what I call The "but what did I learn/what am I learning" mindset in an attempt to reframe event planning mindsets to not see failure.

Employment Experience

Parke Student Leadership Center

August 2019 - present

- **Desk Worker**

- Assist students with various tasks including management, computer and communication skills so that students are prepared to succeed and feel welcomed in the space

Inspire Innovation Lab

April 2018 - August 2019

- **Instructor**

- Acted as a resource for up to 30 elementary school students by using active listening and conflict management skills to create trust and connection with students.
- Continuously learned how to manage a group of students with behavioral issues by adapting to situations, and using observational skills to successfully remove or work with any triggers or traumas that could arise.

The General Store

May 2014 - August 2016

- **Sales Associate**

- Acknowledged customers and engaged in warm conversation by using verbal communication skills to make them feel comfortable and welcome.
- Worked as an effective team member in a successful family business by being flexible and reliable to create a friendly work environment for my coworkers.